

Mineral Spotlight: Danburite

The danburite specimen is on display in the fluorescent minerals case. However, danburite requires a specific wavelength of UV light to fluoresce, so ask the museum staff to borrow a UV flashlight. You will see two colors when you shine UV light on this danburite specimen. The sky blue fluorescing mineral is danburite, and the pink fluorescing mineral is calcite.

Key Facts:

- Danburite is a sought-after gemstone and is similar to topaz.
- Danburite is named after Danbury, Connecticut, where it was discovered.
- The Museum's danburite specimen is from San Luis Potosi, Mexico.



