

Meteorite—if you think you found one, check this out

We are sorry, but we are not experts in meteorites and we don't have any way to test rocks here to determine if they are meteorites. Several Michigan rocks are heavy and magnetic.

Because we can't identify meteorites, **please do not email photographs to us**. Even people who are experts in meteorites cannot accurately identify them by photographs. The only way you can accurately determine if you have found a meteorite is to have it analyzed.

However, we have assembled the list of websites below that have some good information that may help you learn more about meteorites.

The last link is to a lab where you can have your rock tested. They charge \$30 per sample that they analyze.

These two websites give information about several rock properties that help distinguish meteorites from other rocks: https://www.usgs.gov/faqs/i-think-i-found-a-meteorite-how-can-i-tell-sure?qt-news_science_products=0#qt-news_science_products and <https://geology.com/meteorites/meteorite-identification.shtml>

This site has a “self-test check-list” to help you determine if you have a meteorite:
https://sites.wustl.edu/meteoritesite/items/what_to_do/

This site shows some ways you can help identify a meteorite:
<http://meteorite-identification.com/streak.html>
and that website has a link to this website from Portland State University with some helpful photographs: <http://www.meteorites.pdx.edu/meteoriteid.htm>

To have a rock tested to determine if it is a meteorite (it costs \$30/sample), go to this site:
<http://www.meteoritetesting.org/Submitting%20a%20sample.htm>

THANK YOU and good luck in your search!