

# SILICA SAND

**Geological Source:**

Oriskany sandstone, (Eastern U.S.) deposited in Appalachian Mountain region during early Devonian times (400 million years ago).

**Characteristics:**

Silica is the fundamental oxide of glass. Silica sand, due to its coarse nature is used as a clay body texturizer and for allowing movement between wares and the surfaces upon which they sit.

**Melting Point: 3110° F**