



Granite:
Crushed granite was mixed into clay for making cooking pots. This made the pots stronger.



Chert
Spear points and other tools were chipped out of chert.



Slate
Ceremonial items like this spear-thrower weight were made out of brightly colored or patterned stones like slate.



Rhyolite and Basalt
Hard volcanic stones like rhyolite and basalt made good axes.



Limestone
Europeans and Native Americans burned limestone to make lime and quicklime. Europeans used limestone to build houses and barns.



Sandstone
Sandstone was used to sharpen bone tools and shape wood. This piece was used to make arrow shafts.



Quartz

Vein quartz was also used to make tools. Quartz crystals were sometimes used for ceremonies.



Stories from a Stone Fence

The glaciers left many kinds of stone behind at Pope Farm Conservancy. Native Americans gathered the stone for tools. Europeans used the stone to construct stone fences and building foundations.