

# stalactites *(stal-ac-ti-tes)*

## Definition

n. an icicleshaped mineral deposit usually calcite or aragonite hanging from the roof of a cavern formed from the dripping of mineralrich water

## Example Sentence

The **stalactites** grow downward from the ceiling of a cave.

## Synonyms

cave icicle; cave roof formation; cave roof deposi

## Antonyms

stalagmite

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