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n.

A lustrous, blackish-brown mineral consisting primarily of titanium, uranium, and the rare-earth elements cerium, erbium, and yttrium.

[From Greek *euxenos*, kind to strangers (from its unusual composition) : *eu-*, *eu-* + *xenos*, stranger; see **ghos-ti-** [in the Appendix of Indo-European roots.](#)]

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