

Volcano Terminology

Volcano — Magma — Magma chamber
Vent — Geothermal energy — Volcanologist
Lava — Fluid lava — Pahoehoe — Aa

Volcano	place where molten rock, gas, and ash erupt to the surface from deep inside the earth
Magma	molten rock from inside the earth
Magma chamber	an area below or inside a volcano where magma collects
Vent	the opening through which magma flows when the volcano erupts
Geothermal energy	energy that comes from heat inside the earth
Volcanologist	a scientist who studies volcanoes
Lava	magma that flows from the volcano to the surface of the earth
Fluid lava	spreads out easily when the volcano erupts
Pahoehoe	form of fluid lava that spreads slowly and has a smooth, glassy surface
Aa	form of fluid lava that spreads quickly and has rough, broken surfaces

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