



COUNTERTOP SPECIALISTS



GRANITE

Granite Care & Maintenance

Granite is a worry-free surface, requiring few special precautions. It is easy to care for, stain resistant and extremely durable. Hot pots and pans won't damage it. It won't chip, scratch, or crack under normal use. There is nothing more elegant than granite and when cared for properly, its durability can last a lifetime. To maintain your countertops beauty, Benchmark Surfacing Solutions recommends following these simple steps.

Spills and Stains

Granite, although hard, is porous and will absorb liquids when exposed for long periods of time. It is recommended that spills of acidic liquids, such as fruit juices or vinegar, be blotted up immediately.

General Cleaning and Care

The use of a mild soap and water solution on a routine basis is recommended to maintain your countertop's appearance. Stronger chemicals, however, may be harmful when used on your countertop. Potentially harmful compositions include:

- Ammonia-based products
- Oils or turpentine
- Scouring type cleaners
- Rust removers
- Acidic-based cleaning agents
- Waxes or finishes requiring high-speed polishing
- Paint or varnish removers
- Lacquer thinners
- Drain cleaners
- Contact adhesive solvent
- Oven cleaners

Annual Maintenance

To protect your granite surface, Benchmark applies a sealer that provides a barrier to potential stain-causing agents. The sealant, while durable, may need to be reapplied every one to two years. Contact Benchmark Surfacing Solutions for details.

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