



MASON QUARTZ



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Guide

QUARTZ SURFACES

Quartz countertops are man-made engineered stone countertops formed by combining 93% ground quartz (a natural hard mineral) with 7% resins, polymers, and pigments. This forms a very hard granite-like surface. On the Mohs scale quartz rates at 7, with diamond being the hardest at a 10. This makes quartz surfaces extremely hard and durable. But this does not make quartz indestructible. It is resistant to stains and scratches, but these can still occur if proper care is not taken. Quartz can also be damaged by extreme heat sources such as pots and pans straight from an oven although this is rare.

DO'S AND DON'T FOR QUARTZ COUNTERTOPS;

DO

- » Clean using a soft cloth and our specially formulated cleaner or mildly soapy warm water
- » Wipe up all spills immediately, especially extremely alkaline or acidic solutions
- » Do not chop directly on the worktop, use chopping boards or worktop protectors for hot pots and pans and for all chopping

DON'T

- » Use rough or abrasive cleaners such as CIF, Mr Muscle, bleach etc... on the countertops (if unsure please contact us for clarification)
- » Slide rough objects across the surface
- » Drop pots, pans, heavy objects on the surface or edging as chipping can occur
- » Place hot pots and pans on the surface, especially straight from the oven or hob. A cup of tea or coffee is ok though
- » Leave spills to sit for days/ hours before they are wiped up

DAILY CLEANING

For daily cleaning we recommend using our specially formulated quartz cleaner (which was provided with your new quartz surface) or warm water and a drop of soap, such as fairy liquid etc... with a soft cloth. This will help maintain the natural beauty and shine of the quartz surface. Polished quartz surfaces by nature have a low porosity. They do not require the application of any sealants as they are already naturally highly resistant to surface staining from oils, wines, coffee, tea etc...

STUBBORN MARKS

In the event of any stubborn marks on the polished quartz surface, spray our quartz cleaner on the stain and leave sit for 20 second minimum before wiping away. If this does not work, wipe the area using a non- abrasive sponge with warm soapy water.

For marks that harden when they dry (Food, gum etc) remove by gently scraping the material off the quartz surface using a blunt plastic blade then wash and remove any residual matter with a non-abrasive cleaner, such as our quartz cleaner. Micro Fibre clothes will also remove any streaking that occurs.

CARE AND MAINTENANCE

Quartz surfaces are ideal for interior decoration due to the hardness, low porosity and durability of the product. But without the proper care and maintenance it is possible to scratch, stain and damage your quartz countertops.

AFTERCARE

If at any time after installation you have any questions about cleaning and maintenance you can contact the office by phone on 041-9824444 or by e-mail at info@granitetops.ie and we would be more than happy to help you.