



What to Expect: Each countertop material has its own set of characteristics which create its unique appeal. It is entirely up to the end user to decide which material best meets their usage and financial needs. In order to assist in your decision making process we have put together a comparison of some of the primary characteristics of countertop materials.

Natural Stone Products (i.e. granite, marble)

Porous materials that are prone to staining and require regular sealing (at least yearly). With sealing and daily upkeep, permanent stains can generally be avoided.

Quartz Surfacing (engineered stone products: i.e. Zodiaq, Caesarstone)

Non porous materials that are highly stain resistant and do not require sealing. However stains can occur under extreme conditions.

Solid Surface (i.e. Corian, Gibraltar, Meganite)

Non porous material that is virtually impervious to permanent staining.

Recycled Glass (i.e. Icestone)

Recycled glass is set in cement which is a very porous material that requires regular sealing (recommended every 6-12 months). With sealing and daily upkeep, permanent stains can generally be avoided.

Recycled Paper Phenolic (i.e. PaperStone)

The recycled paper is bound in a phenolic resin that is makes it stain resistant. Its stain resistance is further enhanced by regular applications of wax sealer. With sealing and daily upkeep, permanent stains can generally be avoided.

Concrete

Concrete is a very porous material; however our fabrication process includes an application of sealer that should not need to be repeated for at least 5 years. With proper daily upkeep permanent staining can generally be avoided.