

CARING FOR YOUR MARBLE

Marble is a crystallised limestone that has metamorphosed through heat and pressure, and in the process mixed with natural elements to produce the colours and intricate veining that makes it so beautiful. However, like many things it can be damaged over time with wear and tear. Marble is softer than granite, so it stains and wears more easily. Protecting marble against etching and staining, however, takes little effort. In order to keep your marble looking lovely here are some simple recommendations for you that should always be followed.



Initial care after fitting

- **We will seal your worktops when we fit. Once our dry treat sealant (guaranteed for 15 years) has dried sufficiently (12 -24 hours) you will need to lightly oil your worktop to ensure that the surface is optimal.** Use a light vegetable oil and wipe it evenly over your marble with a non abrasive cloth. Leave it to soak in for about an hour and then wipe off. Give the surface a gentle buffing with a soft cloth.

Cleaning Do's and Don'ts

- **Do** dust mop floors frequently.
- **Do** clean surfaces with mild detergent or stone soap.
- **Do** dry marble after cleaning and never let it air dry.
- **Do** blot up spills immediately.
- **Do** protect countertop surfaces with coasters, chopping boards or placemats.
- **Don't** use vinegar, lemon juice, or other cleaners containing acids on marble surfaces.
- **Don't** use cleaners that contain acid such as bathroom cleaners, grout cleaners, or tub & tile cleaners.
- **Don't** use abrasive cleaners or abrasive cloths or scrubbers.
- **Don't** ever mix chemicals together unless directions specifically instruct you to do so.

Sealing

- Sealing repels staining agents but doesn't make marble stainproof. In order to keep the worktops well sealed your marble will benefit from a light oiling once or twice a year.

Shining your marble

- The safest and easiest way to polish marble is with a damp chamois (shammy) as the chamois will polish at the same time as it dries.
- If you want more shine, try a commercial polish and then dry with the chamois.

Granite & Marble Worktops
Kitchen, Bathroom & Bedroom
Vanity Basins, Bath Surrounds
Cold Shelves

York Stone
Handmade Cobbles
Crazy Paving
Flagstones

Interior Flooring
Marble, Granite,
Limestone

Masonry Service
Exterior Paving
Fire Hearths & Surrounds