# CLEANING, SEALING & AFTERCARE

# Marble

Marble is a beautiful material which can be used for many applications. However, the downside to this material is that it requires extra care and maintenance, this material is made from calcium carbonate making it more likely to get stained by acids. Since marble is softer than granite, scratches, cracks or stains are more likely to occur. However, with the right care for this material and guidance from our stone experts, it can really transform your home.

#### **EVERYDAY CARE**

Acidic foods, drinks or cleaning products can damage your marble, this could include things like tomatoes, fizzy drinks, vinegar, coffee, skincare products and more. This can be easily prevented by wiping up any spills as soon as they happen or using a large chopping board.

Marble can tolerate a lot of heat but just to be on the safe side, there is no harm by using placemats, trivets or coasters for any pots or hot plates or cups.

## **CLEANING THE WORKTOP**

Once a week you should dust the worktop with a microfibre cloth. However, when you clean it properly, it is important to use the right kind of products. Use a damp cloth with a neutral ph cleaner, a lot of people will often mix soap and water together in a bottle and use that but please be careful as this can damage the marble or leave a greasy layer on the surface.

You should wipe and scrub the worktop gently with a damp cloth, rinse the cloth and wipe down again so there are no suds. Then finally, dry the worktop with a soft towel.

## MARBLE MAINTENANCE

Sealing the worktops regularly is extremely important too. The way to know when you should do this is when you see that water doesn't bead when it hits the surface. Sealant adds a layer of protection to the marble surface to that staining and damage are less likely to happen.

However, although this applies to a lot of marble surfaces, it is not applicable to all, so please make sure you check with the Artisans of Devizes team before carrying out this process.







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