



## MARBLE TOP INFORMATION

### *WHY DO MARBLE TOPS NEED TO BE SEALED?*

- Marble is porous and can absorb liquid.
- Marble can become brittle if liquid is continually absorbed.
- Coloured liquids such as nail polish can permanently stain natural stones such as marble.

### *WHAT DOES STONE SEALANT DO?*

- Stone sealer penetrates and forms a protective seal which repels liquid from absorbing into the marble.
- Most sealants also come with an anti-microbial additive which inhibit the growth of mold and algae.

### *HOW OFTEN SHOULD MARBLE BE SEALED?*

- Recommended every 12 months.

### *HOW DO YOU APPLY THE SEALANT?*

- Ensure the surface is clean and dry from dirt and dust.
- If surface has previously been sealed, apply a trial area to test for coating compatibility.
- Apply the sealant evenly across the surface with a brush, roller or wool applicator.
- Do not allow sealant to pond, surfaces should be left with a consistent and light film.
- Apply a second coat if recommended by your sealant instructions.
- Once dry, the water should bead and sit on top of the protective seal.

### *WHERE CAN YOU PURCHASE STONE SEALANTS FROM?*

- Home improvement stores such as Home Depot, Lowe's or your local stone merchant.

### *HOW DO YOU CLEAN MARBLE?*

- For a quick clean, simply use mild soap, hot water and a soft sponge.
- For a further detailed clean, it's best to use a pH-neutral cleaner which can be found in home improvement stores.
- Avoid using acidic cleaners such as Windex, vinegar or bleach.