

# GENERAL CLEANING GUIDE

## FOR NATURAL STONE

Natural stone should be cleaned periodically with water to remove general dust and dirt build up. Periodic spot type cleaning will be required for any specific concerns such as areas with staining.

### DO

- ✓ Regularly remove sand, dirt and grit which can damage natural stone surfaces due to their abrasiveness.  
For any spills:
  - ✓ Blot the spill with a paper towel or use a clean damp sponge immediately.
  - ✓ Flush the area with water and use a neutral cleaner or stone safe cleaner.
  - ✓ Agitate with a stiff brush and rinse several times.
  - ✓ Dry the area thoroughly with a soft cloth.
  - ✓ Repeat if necessary.
- ✓ Test cleaners in an inconspicuous area prior to applying elsewhere.
- ✓ Always seek the specific recommendation and correct cleaner to remove your specific concern, for your type of stone. For example, for removal of efflorescence, mould or algae, contact a stone cleaning supplier as different stones require special applications.

### DON'T

- ✗ Use cleaners that contain acid such as bathroom or grout cleaners.
- ✗ Use vinegar, lemon juice or other cleaners containing acids.
- ✗ Use cleaners containing grit or abrasives on natural stone surfaces.



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