MAINTENANCE OF MARBELLO GRANITE

Manufacture and sealing
Granite slabs are polished and sealed on premises at the manufacturer's factory before being delivered for benchtop manufacture. There are a wide range of products available which are recommended for maintaining the polish and shine of your granite benchtop. It is recommended by professionals to re-seal granite benchtops every two years, if necessary.

General Care
Day-to-day care of your granite benchtop is easy and does not require special products. Regular household liquid detergent and warm water on a soft cloth should be enough to clean up any spills and residue from food preparation. Alternatively, a little bit of cream Jif (white bottle) on a soft, microfiber cloth should remove any accidental stains. Avoid scrubbing too vigorously, as this might dull the polish of your benchtop.

How to avoid scratching
Granite is extremely hard to scratch but to avoid any mishaps, always use a chopping board to protect the surface from blunt knives. Additionally, avoid dragging anything across the surface. If possible, always lift the object and place it down where desired, rather than dragging it.

How to avoid damage caused by heat
Placing hot items directly onto your granite benchtop is not recommended. Although granite has high heat resistance, excessive localised heat may result in damage to your granite benchtop due to thermal shock. Always place something between your hot pan and your benchtop surface (e.g.: trivet).

How to avoid staining
Granite normally should not stain as long as the protective seal of the surface is intact. The best way to check if re-sealing is required is to place a few drops of water on the surface and observe if it has been absorbed – if yes, re-sealing is required. Granite is slightly porous, so avoid leaving spills to dry. If any oils or acids are left to absorb, staining may occur. The best way to prevent this from happening is to clean up any spills immediately.

Durability
Granite is a very hard-wearing, durable, 100% stone surface and due to its factory polished finish, it should be extremely hard to scratch during day to day use. However, dropping something heavy on the surface, hitting it or banging something against the edge may cause chips or cracks, so we recommend caution. Avoid excessive weight being placed on any areas that do not have support underneath and in areas where joins are located.

By following these instructions, you are making sure that your investment is protected for many years to come.