



Caring for Your Terrazzo

Suggested Maintenance of Terrazzo

Your terrazzo can be easily maintained. This does not mean that your terrazzo is maintenance free. It is important to understand the care requirements in the early stages of your new terrazzo in order to get it to look its best and realize the long-term benefits of its low maintenance cost.

Your terrazzo has been sealed (*PLEASE NOTE: countertops slabs are unsealed and will need to be sealed*) with a penetrating sealer to provide you with the time to clean up any spills or other foreign matter without the terrazzo staining or being adversely affected.

We recommend that you do not wax your terrazzo. If you choose to wax your terrazzo, then you should refer to the wax manufacturer's maintenance procedures for maintaining your waxed terrazzo.

Your terrazzo is a combination of a binder of either epoxy or cement with various aggregate. Most of the aggregate and fillers are made from natural marble stone. This maintenance procedure will still apply if your terrazzo contains glass, mother of pearl or other aggregates.

PRECAUTIONS

CLEANERS: Harsh cleaners can damage your terrazzo. Only products that have a neutral pH (factor of 7.0) should be used to clean your terrazzo.

SEALERS: Permanent sealers can damage your terrazzo. We recommend that you do not apply any acrylic, urethane or other topical sealer products to your terrazzo. If you do apply another sealer to your terrazzo, then use a water-based sealer.





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CLEANING PROCEDURES

Your terrazzo must be cleaned with a neutral pH cleaner. Neutral cleaners are designed to react only in solution with clean water, mixed in accordance to the manufacturer instructions, and allowed to remain on the floor surface for several minutes. Do not allow the solution to dry on the surface. Rinse the terrazzo with clean water and remove the dirty solution from the floor by a squeegee, vacuum, or mopping.

CLEANERS: Neutral pH cleaners are readily available. You should contact your cleaning supply company for recommendations. Examples of cleaners that are suited for terrazzo floors are:

EcoLab (Stone Medic)—TCC Terrazzo Cleaner/Conditioner

Diversey—Stride Cleaner

Majestic Stone Care—Stone Soap

Buckeye—Crossbow, Straight-Up or True Seven

Spartan—Damp Mop or Marble Mop

