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Maintenance and Care

Internal & External Cladding

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MAINTENANCE AND CARE
FOR INTERNAL & EXTERNAL CLADDING IN HONED AND TEXTURED SURFACES

Increase the longevity and beauty of your natural stone products by cleaning and protecting your stone. .

It is generally recommended that external cladding is specified in a textured or honed finish to provide greater durability and keep your stone looking beautiful for longer. Polished finishes are prone to weathering and scratching and not suited to this type of application.

STONE SELECTION

It is critical to consider the performance expectations of your stone selection, including any need for a non-slip finish, ease of cleaning along with all the design, styling, and aesthetic requirements.

Natural Stone cladding products include Marble, Travertine, Limestone and Granite which are available in a range of different surface finishes which may affect the level of cleaning and maintenance required.

All these points impact on design and styling along with requirements for general care and maintenance. Consult our showroom staff for a quick easy route to the right answers with minimal amount of consultation.

SEALER

For enhanced performance it is recommend that all-natural stone cladding be sealed with **Aqua Seal Gold +** by Sealer Plus

A premium penetrating sealer designed specifically for natural stone resulting in a surface that is more practical to clean and maintain.

Re-application of **Aqua Seal Gold +** approximately every two years will ensure the longevity and performance of your stone.

PRE-SEAL WET AREAS

For cladding exposed to a waterline, shower and/or regularly exposed to water, optimum performance is achieved by a 6 sided dip sealing in **Aqua Seal Ultra Block** prior to install.

Tiles that were dip sealed prior to installation will be required to be sealed on completion with **Sealers Plus Aqua Seal Gold +**

REJUVENATE

Exposure to the elements and ultraviolet light can result in fading of natural stone over time is a reality but more so with some colours.

On lighter neutral colours it is less noticeable than with darker grey or charcoal, however really it is product specific so best to check in with our showroom consultants for advice on this matter.

To enhance or enrich the colour of a weathered stone refer to **Enhance N Seal** by Sealers Plus

CLEANING AND MAINTENANCE

Generally, external feature walls call for minimal maintenance in terms of cleaning; one may consider cleaning with high-pressure water to remove dust & dirt.

For internal cleaning you may like to consider the below products;

Sealers Plus Boost is a concentrated cleaner & resealer that offers a rinse & streak free solution to everyday cleaning.

Sealers Plus Stone Gel + is a heavier duty cleaner that can be used for everyday cleaning & commercial grade disinfecting. Specifically formulated for vertical surfaces.

For a spray and wipe cleaner then **Sealers Plus Aquaguard** can be used as cleaner & re sealer.

Always test first in an inconspicuous area to determine ease of application, dilution rate, colour stability & desired results. The frequency of this will vary depending on the product, environmental factors and level of traffic or use.

WET AREAS

In some parts of Western Australia, the water supply is “hard” due to a high mineral content and if left of the stone surface may result in etching of the surface.

In this case, surfaces should be wiped down after use to ensure no water left on the surface. This will also help minimize any build-up of calcite or minerals on the stone surface. If calcite or mineral build up can accumulate over a period it may become necessary for the stone to be re surfaced by an experienced stonemason or sealing contractor.

PRODUCTS

All sealing and cleaning products are available to purchase directly from our showroom at 29 Harris Rd Malaga (08) 9294 1929

- Sealer Plus **Aqua Seal Gold +**
- Sealer Plus **Enhance N Seal**
- Sealer Plus **Ultra Block**
- Sealer Plus **Oxi Treat**
- **Efflock**
- Sealer Plus **Stone Wash +**
- Sealer Plus **Xtreme Clean +**

For further assistance with cleaning, sealing and maintenance please do not hesitate to contact our showroom representatives.