

Dear customer,

We would like to congratulate you on your choice of Belgian Blue Stone. In order to fully enjoy your natural product, we give you the following recommendations for protection and maintenance, based on our many years of experience.

1. FLOORS AND LARGE AREA:

A new tile is more porous and therefore more stain sensitive.

Choose for the first mop on a clean, new floor 'Lithofin **MN Onderhoudsproduct voor Blauwe Hardsteen**'.

Strongly porous surfaces can be treated with 'Lithofin **MN Vlekstop**'. Go to our separate user sheets for this.

Frequent cleaning:

For a continuous maintenance of the floor use 'Lithofin **MN Onderhoudsproduct voor Blauwe Hardsteen**'.

'Lithofin **MN Onderhoudsproduct voor Blauwe Hardsteen**': add a little bit of some 20g to 10L of lukewarm mop water, mop thoroughly, do not rinse, but wipe with a wrung out cloth. Do not walk until the floor is completely dry.

Do not leave mop water on the floor for long periods of time.

Do not clean the floor only with clean water as this will dry out the floor and make it more sensitive to stains. Do not use too much product or soap, as this will leave a film.

In case of heavy soiling: from for example soil, dust,...

Use 'Lithofin **MN Vuiloplosser**', strongly diluted in water 1:10, DO NOT let dry and rinse with plenty of water. Know that after this the floor is more porous and therefore more sensitive to stains, so mop the floor immediately with 'Lithofin **MN Onderhoudsproduct voor Blauwe Hardsteen**'.

2. CUSTOM MADE WORK:

Daily maintenance with 'Lithofin **MN Easy Clean**', apply with a wet sponge of microfibre cloth and dry. Pure water will dry out the stone and make it more sensitive to stains.

Protection:

Apply the **stain stop** pure of a CLEAN and DRY surface with a cotton rag or a new roll (for larger surfaces). Do not leave any puddles and rub in well within 15 minutes. For porous surfaces, repeat within 30 minutes. Do not make wet for 24 hours, so that the product is not "rinsed away".

The protection with stain stop should be repeated when necessary and depends on the use. As soon as the stone becomes porous = liquids no longer bead on the stone, the stain stop treatment must be resumed. With daily use of your natural stone, count on a stain stop treatment 2 to 3 times a year.

TIP: If you still have stripes of dried stain stop, use stain stop purely to rub away stripes.

PAY ATTENTION!

Belgian Blue Stone is a limestone and is **SOUR-SENSITIVE** to lemon, vinegar, fruit juice, champagne, cola,... as well as to high acid cleaning products such as Viakal, Antikal, plunger, cement residue remover,... Do **NOT** use these cleaning products on your natural stone. Substances with a high acidity will cause pale dull stains on your Blue Stone = damage to the surface finish.

The stain stop treatment never gives 100% protection against these acidic products.

Large temperature variations may cause damage. Do not place hot cooking pots directly on the worktop. Do not pour boiling water directly onto the natural stone (sink, shower tray, washbasin).

IN CASE OF LIMESCALE POLLUTION:

Wet your stone and spray it with 'Lithofin **MN Easy Clean**', use stainless steel wool **WET** to remove limescale traces mechanically. If necessary, use a little Cif Cream (yellow packaging) of 'Lithofin **MN Vuiloplosser**' diluted 1:10 can also help, rinse with plenty of water.

For other stains, please refer to our FAQ **WHAT TO DO WITH STAINS**.

Possible types of stain stop:

Lithofin

Vlekstop W water based, can enhance the colour

MN Protector Blauwe Hardsteen can darken the colour

Vlekstop W water based, can enhance the colour

MN Vlekstop ECO water based, low-odour and ecological
does not change the appearance

At www.febenat.be you can consult the product sheet, which has been created specifically for your material.