

Dear customer,

We would like to congratulate you on your choice of natural 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 AREAS:

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

Choose for the first mop on a clean, new floor 'Lithofin **MN Glans & Schoon**'.

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

Frequent cleaning:

For a continuous maintenance of the floor use alternately 1 time 'Lithofin **MN Glans & Schoon**' and 3 to 4 times 'Lithofin **MN Wash & Clean**'.

'Lithofin **MN Wash & Clean**': 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.

'Lithofin **MN Glans & Schoon**': add a cup of approximately 150g to 10l of mop water, mop with a little moisture and let it dry. Do not walk until the floor is completely dry. Occasionally use to give extra nourishment to dull or rough surfaces, for polished surfaces use more frequently to maintain the gloss.

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 Glans & Schoon**'.

2. CUSTOM MADE WORK:

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

Protection:

Apply the **stain stop** pure on 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!

Basalt can be SOUR-SENSITIVE to lemon, vinegar, fruit juice, champagne, cola,... and certainly to high acid cleaning products such as Viakal, Antikal, plunger, cement residue remover,...

If in doubt, try a test surface first, never allow these products to dry out and there are always alkaline cleaning products that can certainly be used without any problems.

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) or '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

MN Vlekstop

for dull, rough and polished surfaces

Vlekstop PLUS

if you want a colour enhancement of your stone

Vlekstop W

water based

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