




Remodeling Inspiration Catalog by **Marble and Granite Pro**





*If you think it is not only about stones...
It's about everything that they can become and all the
transformations they can make in your home and lives!*

Welcome to the guide that will **help you on choosing the best stone for each room of your project!** Here you will learn about the composition and properties of the stones, the places they can suit best, pictures of inspiration's projects, so **we can make your project real with the best materials.**

Enjoy!



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A photograph of a bathroom interior. The walls are covered in white marble with grey veining. There are two round mirrors with gold frames on the wall. A white vanity with gold hardware is visible on the right side. A window with a white frame is in the background.

Marble

Marble is one of the most **elegant** kinds of metamorphic rock found in nature, formed by limestone when exposed to high temperature and low pressure.

It has variable granulation, and usually, it has colored veins.

During recrystallization, some of the present minerals can interfere in the stone composition, creating a **wide variety of different patterns and colors.**

Characteristics

Marble has more uniform **colors**, and it has a **veined pattern**.

It is a material that **requires some special care**, because, due to its **porosity**, it is more **susceptible to stains** caused by acids and oils.

Marble is an elegant stone that varies in color and texture.

A modern living room with a light-colored marble floor. A grey sofa with yellow and green pillows is on the left. In the background, there is a dining area with white chairs and a dark table. Large windows on the right offer a view of a green lawn and trees.

Advantages and uses of Marble

Marble mainly stands out for its beauty and great variety!

Besides, it adds refinement and elegance to the place where it is applied since it recalls classical sculptures.



Uses

- bathrooms;
- kitchens;
- wall panels;
- flooring;
- columns;
- staircases;
- fireplaces.

Tip: Some kinds of marble can corrode when in contact with acids, therefore it is important to use neutral cleaning products.

Inspirations

MARBLE CAN BE USED FOR LIMITLESS PURPOSES,
YOU SHOULD JUST USE YOUR CREATIVITY! BELOW,
WE GATHERED SOME IDEAS TO **INSPIRE YOU:**

Inspirations



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Granite

Granite is a kind of magmatic rock, composed mostly of quartz, mica, and feldspar. This mixture results in many **different patterns**, making every slab extracted unique.

Its name comes from “granum”, which means “grain” in Latin, in reference to its texture.

The grainy pattern is due to connected crystals that form when the rock, while still liquid, cools down under the earth’s surface. The size of the crystals depends on how long the rock takes to cool down.

Characteristics

The main characteristic of granite is its very **high degree of hardness**, making it highly **resistant to most damage**.

It is more common in the colors white, grey, and pink, and these variations are mostly due to the different levels of feldspar in each stone, besides the presence of impurities.

Tip: Granite has an outstanding look, and it is popularly used to convey a sense of sobriety to the space.



Advantages and uses of Granite

Among other advantages of using granite, the main ones are its **resistance and durability**.

Because of its low porosity, it is highly resistant to acid liquids such as lemon, vinegar, wine, and some cleaning products.

Uses

- wall panels;
- flooring;
- kitchen countertops;
- bathrooms;
- staircases;
- outdoor environments.

Inspiration

GRANITE IS ONE OF THE MOST VERSATILE NATURAL STONES, AND, BECAUSE OF THAT, THERE ARE MANY POSSIBLE USES. **CHECK OUT SOME IDEAS:**

Inspirations



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Quartzite

Quartzite is a metamorphic rock that has quartz as its main component (more than 75%) and other minerals such as muscovite, biotite, sericite, tourmaline, and dumortierite. It is an extremely old and resistant rock formation, and because of that, it suffers less with dilations. Therefore, **the appearance of cracks on the surface of quartzite is rare.**

Combining the beauty of marble and the resistance of granite, quartzite is a great option for the **decoration of indoor or outdoor environments!**

Characteristics

Quartzite is among the hardest stones existent, reaching level 7 in the Mohs scale of hardness, higher than granite and more than two times higher than marble.

It exists in many different colors, being more common in lighter shades.

A modern kitchen featuring a quartzite countertop, a large window, and wooden cabinetry. The countertop is a light-colored, speckled stone. A stainless steel range hood is mounted above the stove area. A microwave is visible on the counter. The kitchen is well-lit, with natural light coming from the window.

Advantages and uses of Quartzite

Quartzite is extremely **resistant**, and has low porosity, meaning that it does not absorb liquids or corrodes when in contact with acids. Because of that, the stone requires **easy cleaning, maintenance, and preservation**. Check some of the uses of quartzite out:



Uses

- wall panels;
- flooring;
- kitchen countertops;
- bathrooms;
- furniture;
- outdoor environments.

Inspiration

CONSIDERING THE USES LISTED ABOVE, WE
GATHERED SOME INSPIRATION PICTURES OF
QUARTZITE IN BATHROOMS, KITCHENS, AND MORE!

CHECK THEM OUT:

Inspirations



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Quartz

Natural quartz is the second most abundant mineral on earth, and some of its variations are considered semi-precious stones.

Quartz is a hexagonal crystal, and its shapes found in nature are extremely irregular. For this reason, to use quartz in construction and ornaments, it is required to add other components to the mineral.

Decorative quartz is an **engineered stone**, made out of 90% or more natural quartz combined with resin and pigments. Because of this mixture, the stone **presents no porosity**, which makes it **more stain-resistant** than other stones.

Characteristics

Quartz is a non-porous stone, which increases its **resistance and avoids staining.**

Besides, it comes in **infinite options of colors and styles.**



Advantages and uses of Quartz

Quartz is resistant to scratches and stains from substances such as wine, coffee, oils, and other liquids. For this reason, it is very recommended for kitchen countertops!

Take a look at some incredible uses of this stone to your house!



Uses

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- bathrooms;
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- wall panels;
- staircases;
- tables.

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FINISHES

Now that you know the main types of stone, it is important to understand the different finish options!

When the stone is delivered to the factory, it may have been cut into slabs. However, it is still in a rough state, in other words, in the way it was extracted from nature.

Because of that, before being sold, when it is not sold unpolished, the stone receives some kind of **polishing**, which can be done in many ways.

THE DIFFERENCE IN THE FINISHING METHODS IS WHAT CREATED THE DIFFERENT FINISHES! CHECK THEM OUT:

POLISHED

This is a shiny, smooth finish, created through polishing. When in contact with water, polished stone can be slippery, and because of that this finish is more recommended for indoor spaces.



HONED

This finish is semi-polished, meaning that the stone goes through polishing, but not enough to make its surface completely smooth. For this reason, honed stones have an anti-slip character, and can be used in both indoor and outdoor spaces.



LEATHERED

This is a shiny, smooth finish, created through polishing. When in contact with water, polished stone can be slippery, and because of that this finish is more recommended for indoor spaces.



Get to know Marble and Granite Pro

Marble and Granite Pro: the name to remember and trust when it comes to any marble or granite home or business upgrade. Our company was created in 2005 to respond to the growing demand for natural stone in the home and business.

Our mission is to create a warm and inviting environment of elegance, character and sophistication through the fabrication of custom made natural stone products.

At Marble & Granite Pro you will find an intelligent approach to providing the owner, developer, architect, designer, general contractor and home builders with timely fabrication, delivery and installation of quality materials.

We specialize in custom stone fabrication and installation of kitchens, bathrooms, fireplaces and outdoor living spaces. Whether you are a designer, builder or homeowner, we will take every step to go beyond your expectations and provide timely delivery, and installation of finished products.

**We offer quality stones,
expert installation and
affordable prices.**

**Are you ready to make your
home even more beautiful?**

**Contact us and schedule a visit to see in
person our showroom**

We love answering questions from our clients. If you have any questions or feel you are ready to begin your next big project, feel free to reach out to us.

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