

# PELLEGRINO STONE CARE

EXPERTS IN THE CARE AND RESTORATION OF  
GRANITE + MARBLE + TRAVERTINE + LIMESTONE + ONYX  
SLATE + CONCRETE + TERRAZZO + TILE AND PAVERS

## CARING FOR YOUR BATH/SHOWER

The moist bathroom environment combined with the detrimental effects of personal care and household cleaning products, cause harm to natural stone, while basic everyday use results in soap scum, water deposits, dulling and oxidization on stone surfaces in your bathroom. The following guidance will help to keep your bath / shower looking its best.

The most important professional advice we can give you is to use only quality products designed specifically for natural stone. If a product has not been specifically formulated for natural stone, assume it is NOT safe to use.

### RECOMMENDATIONS

- ✓ Use a squeegee to wipe down your shower walls immediately after use to prevent water spotting and soap build up.
  - ✓ Have your grout professionally cleaned and sealed periodically to prevent mildew.
  - ✓ Use Granite Gold Shower Cleaner once a week.
  - ✓ Weekly, use Granite Gold Polish on counter tops and shower walls to enhance color, sheen and provide added protection to help prevent etching, water spotting and soap scum build-up. Note: never use polish on the floor as they may become slippery.
  - ✓ For stubborn mold and mildew use a solution of one part bleach (any brand laundry grade) and one part water. Spray or pour onto the area scrub with a “non scratch” nylon pad or bristle brush. Allow to sit for 15 minutes and rinse with water. This will not harm the stone or tile.
  - ✓ For hard water deposits and soap scum use the Granite Gold Shower cleaner with a “non- scratch” nylon pad. Scour 3-5 minutes and rinse with water. If the deposits or soap scum is a heavy build-up take a new single edge razor blade, holding
- at an acute angle, shave the material off the stone, tile and grout. Being careful not to scratch the stone.
- ✓ Once the mold, mildew, soap and hard water build up is gone using the Granite Gold Shower Cleaner simply by spraying and wiping on a weekly basis will prevent these damaging conditions from reoccurring.
  - ✓ We recommended that you seal your shower as well as any other type of stone surface on an annual basis.
  - ✓ Mold and Mildew needs moisture to survive. After every shower be sure to leave the exhaust fan on or keep the shower door open to ventilate and dry your stone or tile. Some stones are sensitive to pooling water, over time this can pit or oxidize the stone.
  - ✓ To remove soap scum, use a non-acidic soap scum remover or a solution of one part ammonia and one part water. Then scrub with a non-scratch pad or brush and rise with water.
  - ✓ These are tips and suggestions only, always test first to determine suitability and results. If you are not successful contact your local stone and tile care specialist.

### AVOID

- ✗ Vinegar, acids or household cleaners containing ammonias and other harsh chemicals.
- ✗ “Dry” or “soft” abrasive, scouring cleaners.
- ✗ Cleaners that contain acid, such as bathroom cleaners, grout cleaners or tub & tile cleaners not made specifically for stone.
- ✗ Powder cleaners, or cream cleansers, mildew removers or disinfectants.
- ✗ Abrasive scrubbing pads.
- ✗ Never mix bleach and ammonia; this combination creates a toxic and lethal gas.
- ✗ Never leave metal objects on stone surfaces, especially in bathrooms, as it will very likely leave a rust stain.

Granite Gold Inc., a company with 50 years' experience in the natural-stone industry, offers a complete line of safe, effective, ammonia-free, natural stone-care products. Granite Gold products were created specifically to protect any kind of natural stone or tile surfaces.



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