

# Granite

## Care:

**General Information:** Avoid using cleaners with ammonia, bleach, acids, or other all-purpose cleaners. Signature Solid Surface uses a 7-year sealer on all granite, unless the customer/builder has chosen the 15-year sealer. If you would like your tops re-sealed at the end of your sealer life, please contact Signature Solid Surface at the number listed on the front of this packet.

**Everyday Cleaning:** Using a clean cloth, wipe down countertops with warm, soapy water.

**Optional Cleaner Available for Purchase:** Signature Solid Surface has a cleaner available for purchase that is specific to granite. However, using it daily can cause a film to build up, so it is only recommended for monthly use. This cleaner also has a sealer in it, so each time it is used it helps to keep your countertops sealed. Please visit Signature Solid Surface if you are interested in purchasing this cleaner.

**Stain Removal:** The chance of staining granite countertops that have been sealed with our sealer is extremely rare. The best defense against staining your granite countertops is blotting up spills in a timely manner. If you do stain your countertops, there are ways to remove the stains. Below are two common ways. If neither of these ways work for you, please give Signature Solid Surface a call.

**Baking Soda Poultice:** Blot stain to remove excess liquid, then spray with water. Cover stain completely with a paste mixed to the consistency of sour cream made of baking soda and water. Cover with plastic wrap and leave on the stain for at least 24 hours. After the 24 hours, remove the poultice and wash the area with mild soap and water. Apply fresh poultice if needed.

**Flour & Liquid Soap Poultice:** Mix 1 cup of unbleached flour with 3 tbsp. of gentle liquid dishwashing detergent, adding water until the mixture is the consistency of sour cream. Cover the area with poultice at 1/4" thick, making sure the poultice overlaps the stain by 1/4" thick, making sure the poultice overlaps the stain by 1/4" all the way around. Apply plastic wrap over the poultice and leave for 24 hours. After the 24 hours, remove the poultice and wash the area with mild soap and water. Apply fresh poultice if needed.