

## Treating Granite -brushed finish-

The "brushed or antiqued" finish is used on granites and other hard stones such as gneiss, gabbro, syenite, etc. It makes the surface appear closed, finely structured and provides a silky finish. The stone's characteristics such as the hardness and robustness are not affected. The tendency to stain depends on the type of stone and varies from almost insensitive to extremely sensitive. As with every other natural stone, adequate treatment and care are essential to maintaining the stone's appearance for many years.

### Before Grouting

Apply the impregnator intended for the finishing treatment prior to grouting. This pre-treatment acts as a grout release and greatly facilitates removing cement and mortar residues.

### Initial Cleaning



To receive a clean surface, use Lithofin MN Builder's Clean, diluted 1:5 up to 1:10 with water, in order to remove all builder's and general dirt.



Tip: Lithofin MN Builders' Clean also removes yellowish rust stains caused by the iron contained in some stones.

### Other Types of Dirt

Oily and greasy dirt as well as care product residues can easily be removed with Lithofin MN Power-Clean. In very stubborn cases and in case of tar, wax, sealants, etc. use Lithofin WAX-OFF. Deeply ingrained oil and grease stains are best removed with Lithofin OIL-EX.

Lime scale and calcium deposits are removed with Lithofin KF Active-Clean.

### Regular Maintenance



All surfaces should regularly be wiped with a moist cloth. Always add one squirt of Lithofin MN Easy-Care (approx. 1:200) to the bucket of water. For stubborn dirt use Lithofin MN Power-Clean.

Advice: Avoid leaching and strong degreasing cleaning products.

△ This information should be considered to be informal and non-binding. The products must be used according to local conditions and materials. Instructions must be read carefully and followed closely. Where no previous experience is available, or in cases of doubt, test the product in an inconspicuous area. (AUS/NZ11.16gps)

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### Protective Treatment

Surfaces that are subject to frequent or heavy use such as floors, table tops, kitchen counters, etc. require a protective treatment. The surface becomes water and oil repellent to prevent staining. This treatment will render natural stone very simple to maintain.

Lithofin MN Stain-Stop meets this demand, for optimal protection apply twice. The surface may become slightly darker in colour. Coverage: approx. 8m<sup>2</sup>/Ltr. Lithofin STAINSTOP >W< is the solvent free, odourless alternative. This water based special impregnator provides a neutral, non colour intensifying, protection against oil, dirt and water with the first application.

Coverage: approx. 10m<sup>2</sup>/L. Ideal for places where the smell of solvents could be bothersome during the application.



Applying Lithofin STAINSTOP >W< is easy: apply with a mop or brush, repeat after 10 minutes, allow the product to penetrate and remove any excess within approx. 10 mins.

△ **Important:** the surface to be treated must be clean and completely dry.

We highly recommend testing the product in an inconspicuous area in order to evaluate the effect. We recommend reapplying the impregnator after approx. 7 to 10 years. The active ingredients do not pose any health hazard once dry.



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