

# STAIN Removal

## From NATURAL STONE

### COMMON STAINS & HOW TO REMOVE THEM

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Natural stones like marble, granite, limestone, sandstone, soapstone and natural quartz, et al, are porous, the extent of which depends upon the hardness and geographical make-up of the stone. As such, wine, grease, dirt, oil and even water can stain the stone, especially when the stone has not been protected by a quality stain repellent. These stains can be superficially on the surface or absorbed deeper into the stone and often difficult to remove. Our product, **Mangia Macchia "Stain Eater"** is a pre-mixed poultice designed to remove both types of stains from ALL natural stones. **Stain Eater/Mangia Macchia** is also used in the restoration of natural stone since its natural properties act as a deep cleaning of the stone. Can be used on interior or exterior.

1. **TEST PATCH:** It is extremely important to do a test patch before any cleaning, testing, restoration is done.

2. Apply tape around the perimeter of the stain.



3. Apply 1/4 inch or more of Stain Eater inside the perimeter of the stain using a plastic spatula.



4. Cover the area with clear plastic and use tape to cover, by taping over the original tape. This will create a vapor barrier.



5. Remove **Stain Eater Mangia Macchia** with a plastic spatula. Then clean with **Multiclean**.



6. Let surface dry. Inspect area to see if the stain is removed. If needed, repeat process.



#### Product Tips!!

1. If product is left on too long, it can create a "clean stain".
2. Some stones are dyed by the manufacture to improve quality (eg: absolute black). **Stain Eater** can remove dye and any topical coatings.
3. A pigment may be added to the color of the matrix of Concrete counter tops. This color can also be removed by **Stain Eater**.
4. There are no whitening agents in **Stain Eater**. Will not etch marble.
5. If **Stain Eater** is left on too long, a brown ring may appear. Just reapply product for 2 to 4 hours and repeat instructions.



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