QUARTZ Product Information Guide

Quartz is one of the hardest minerals on Earth, giving the material superior strength to stone. "Quartz" in the countertop world, refers to a man-made engineered stone countertop made by combining ground quartz with resins, polymers and pigments. The amount of natural quartz in a slab depends on the manufacturer. Quartz meets the NSF Standard 51 food zone compliance for all food types (the highest level of compliance).

Quartz comes in a wide variety of creative designs and an array of colors and textures. Quartz is a stylish, sleek surface that will make all of your design aspirations come true! It is a durable, carefree and elegant surface option for your kitchen countertops, bathroom vanities, backsplash and wall cladding.

Strength and Durability _

- Quartz is much stronger than most natural stone, which makes it extremely durable.
- The strength and hardness of quartz makes it very resistant to scratches and scuffs, <u>HOWEVER</u>, major impacts to the edges can result in chipping.

Low Maintenance

- Unlike most natural stone surfaces on the market, quartz surfaces never have to be sealed, polished or conditioned.
- Cleaning is as simple as wiping down with warm water, mild soap and a soft cloth.
- Quartz will endure every day wear and tear.

Stain Resistant & Hygienic

- Quartz has a nonporous and hygienic surface with a high resistance to stains caused by coffee, wine, lemon juice, olive oil, vinegar and makeup; HOWEVER, if a product containing a high amount of dye or pigment is left sitting on it for an extended period of time, staining can occur.
- It won't absorb moisture from raw or leftover food; it <u>DOES NOT</u> support the growth of harmful bacteria, mold and mildew.

Heat Resistant

• Quartz is heat resistant; <u>HOWEVER</u> hot pots/pans/lefse griddles/slow cookers should <u>NEVER</u> be placed directly the surface; the <u>USE OF TRIVETS OR HOT PADS ARE STRONGLY RECOMMENDED</u>.

PRICE	\$ \$ \$ \$
WARRANTY	10 Years – Lifetime
NON-POROUS	* * * * *
EASY-TO-CLEAN	* * * * *
HEAT RESISTANCE	* * *
STAIN RESISTANCE	* * * *
SCRATCH RESISTANCE	* * * *
SEAMLESS APPEARANCE	* * *
REPAIRABLE/RENEWABLE	* * *
CONSISTENT COLOR/PATTERN	* * *