Reconstituted Stone

What to expect

Reconstituted Stone Products

Reconstituted stone, also known as engineered stone, is made up of real stone that has been crushed down and bound with an acrylic resin. Reconstituted stone is a high performance and low maintenance product suitable for multiple internal applications around the home or office.

The information below will help you to understand what to expect and how to care for your new reconstituted stone bench top.

Staining

Reconstituted stone is resistant to staining however care still needs to be taken to protect the surface. Depending on the finish of your chosen reconstituted stone colour, some are more susceptible to showing marks and spills, this should be taken into consideration when making your selection.

There are some simple steps you can take to maintain the appearance of your stone:

- Clean spills immediately
- Always use a chopping board to avoid etching of the surface
- Avoid acidic spills i.e. lemon juice, wine, vinegar etc.
- Avoid contact with cosmetics and fragrances
- Do not place hot products directly on your bench top

Scratching

Reconstituted stone surfaces are extremely strong, however, they are not indestructible. Scratching is still possible with force, so protect the surface by taking some simple precautions:

- Gently clean your bench top with a soft sponge and wipe with a microfiber cloth
- Always use a chopping board to avoid utensils scratching the surface

Will my material chip or break?

Reconstituted stone is unlikely to chip or break without cause, the most likely reasons for chipping or breaking would be:

- Under mount sinks
- Direct application of hot objects on the surface
- Standing on the surface
- The application of excessive force
- Movement in the cabinetry

Under mount & flush mount sinks

Chipping is a frequent occurrence with under mount sinks. Depending on the degree of damage and the colouring of the stone, the chip or crack repair can be visible.

For flush mount sinks, it's important to note that there can be a variance between the space of the sink and the stone of 1-2mm