

Onyx in a kitchen

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Maurizio, I am considering using Red Onyx for my Kitchen Countertops I am familiar with all the con's of using Onyx in the Kitchen (Staining and its tendency to Etch with acids) I am told that this stone can only be obtained in 2cm thickness, will this be strong enough to support without cracking, there will only be a 1" overhang on all edges and it will lay on standard cabinets. Thanks, Mike.

Dear Mike:

Thank you for your candor.

If consumers are perfectly aware of the maintenance issues inherent to a particular stone installed in a specific environment, and still decide to go for it, I have no problem.

The only time I have a problem is when nobody told them!

Now, answering your question, Onyx marble is typically quite fractured and, consequently, very fragile in a slab size. However, if the fabricator is willing to take the risk of handling such a delicate material, if the installation is done properly there should not be any problem.

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Ciao and good luck,

Maurizio Bertoli

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