

# Absolute Black Granite Tiles for counter top

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I would like to use Absolute Black Granite tiles for my kitchen counter tops, however I read your responses to the contractor and am now terrified. If you don't suggest "Black Granite", what can I use to achieve the same look. I don't want to invest a lot of money in "crap Granite", are all dark granites stained? Please help my new cabinets will arrive soon and I need to install counters shortly after

Dear Leslie:

Are all dark granites stained?

No, they are not. There is still some good real black granite around.

How would you know?

It's easy to find out: spill some lemon juice and white vinegar on a sample tile, let them sit there for 2 or 3 minutes and then clean it dry. If the surface is unscathed, you have a good stone. If not, change dealer until you find the right one.

Now remember, it's never too early to think about the proper maintenance of your stone. The issue of what you'll be doing day in and day out to your stone is as it should be intuitive vastly more important than its sealing (if and when possible and/or advisable) and it's all too often neglected. As you can tell by reading many of this site's postings, you're not likely to get good information about routine care from your dealer or installer. Don't become another statistic! By logging into the Helpful Hints section of our website at: [http://www.mbstone.com/HH\\_promo/helpful\\_hints.htm](http://www.mbstone.com/HH_promo/helpful_hints.htm), you will be able to get the short version of our maintenance guidelines at no charge. The full version of it a 7-page document considered by many as an industry benchmark is available in pay-per-download format in our Educational Literature section at: <http://www.mbstone.com/literature/literature.htm>.

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Ciao and good luck,

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