

# marble countertop with water marks

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hi. i have a marble sink top in my bathroom and i just noticed that it has a ring, some spots, streaks, water looking spots, etc on it that will not come off when i clean it with marble cleaner. do you have any suggestions?

Dear Allyson:

â€œdo you have any suggestions? â€•

Of course I do!

All the â€œwater stainsâ€• you have on your stone are marks of corrosions (etchings) made by various acidic or other pH active liquids that became in contact with the surface of the stone, i.e.: after-shave, perfume and other fragrances, contact-lens cleaner, some generic cleaning product and so on through a long list. There's no product on the marketplace â€“ sealer or what-have-you â€“ that could prevent such surface-damages from happening. You will need the services of a bona fide stone restoration contractor, who will have to hone and re-finish your stone. You could also consider a good quality Marble Repair Kit. Keep in mind, however, that the centerpiece of the kit, the actual restoration product has limitations. This is due to the fact that if the etching is too extensive and/or too severe, the whole top will need to be professionally honed before polishing. It will help a great deal though, and if some handy person in your household can use a car buffer, it would increase the performance of the product dramatically.

May I ask you now to please read and e-sign our Statement of Purpose at: <http://www.marblecleaning.org/purpose.htm>?

Ciao and good luck,

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