

Marble tabletop restoration

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Hi, I have a marble coffee table and on New years eve we serve champagne on the table and a few days later I noticed glass bottom spots and splashes that are rough to the touch is this the etching you have talked about and what is the easiest way for me to fix it.

Dear Melissa:

Yes, it is the etching I've talking about! L

Under normal circumstances I would suggest you to get hold a good quality Marble Repair Kit and attempt to do the repair by yourself, but your reports indicates that the etch marks feels rough under your fingertip. That's a sure tell that kit may not work well: most likely, that marble surface must be first lightly ground (honed) and the polished back again.

Your only option is to hire a bona fide stone restoration contractor.

Now, you'd better watch out! I consider stone refinishing as the very pinnacle of all the activities related to stone from a professional point of view. Unfortunately, there are a lot of quacks on the loose out there! You get one of those, and you may even have to kiss your stone bye-bye!

How could you tell a champ from a chomp? Could you trust the recommendation of your local stone distributor, or contractor, or your interior decorator? Hardly!

We have available a very comprehensive article on how to select a *bona fide* stone restoration contractor, which will give you all the intelligence you need to make a competent choice. It does carry a small price tag, and you can order it by logging on the Educational Literature section Of our website at: <http://www.mbstone.com/literature/literature.htm>. It's available in pay-per-download format and I consider it a cheap "insurance premium" to pay when there are thousands of \$ involved! Not to mention the little and much needed support you'd be giving to the cause "YOUR cause, since every single penny of the cost of the article will be used to support it.

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Moreover, do take advantage of the plethora of FREE Helpful Hints available at: http://www.mbstone.com/HH_promo/helpful_hints.htm. They're on the house!

Thank you.

Ciao and good luck,

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