

cracked granite

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I just had new granite countertops installed and found a crack in front of the cooktop. Can this crack be repaired. It is a 3" crack that is all the way through. It is also about a foot away from a seam. Should I ask for a new countertop or can this be repaired? I also had an island granite countertop installed. It's a 4' by 4' island with a 12" L shaped overhang. Where the overhangs meet (at the corner) the granite is about 17" from the nearest support. Should I worry about this breaking in the future?

Dear Tom:

Can this crack be repaired.

If you can find a stone restoration contractor who knows what is doing, yes, it can be repaired.

It is about 17" from the nearest support. Should I worry about this breaking in the future?

You'd better believe it! Have it supported immediately!

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, you will be able to get the short version of our maintenance guidelines at no charge. The full version of it is 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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Thank you

Ciao and good luck,

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