

# So all I need is MB 5?

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We want to put stone countertops in our kitchen. After doing some research I have tentatively chosen San Gabriel Black (Brazil Black) and Mesabi Black "granite" with polished finishes, do you know of any reason why I shouldn't use one or the other? According to the test data I have found they both have very low absorption rates, are very hard, the samples passed the lemon/oil test, and (finally) they look good. Have I missed anything? The fabricator I have found will rod (re-inforce) the counter with the sink cutouts but not the rest... is this acceptable? And I will insist that they do not seal the stone, which means all I need is MB 5 for regular cleaning. Is this right? Lastly - do you ever come to Texas? :-)

Dear Amelia:

You're right on the money on everything and you did not miss a thing! J

As for the rodding, it is certainly not necessary to rod anywhere else.

About your last question, well, occasionally I do come to Texas if the business takes me there. But why do you ask? Would you like to buy me lunch or somethin'â€? Besides, just in case you haven't noticed, Texas is pretty big state! J

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Ciao and good luck,

Maurizio Bertoli

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