

Stained Granite with epoxy grout

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Hi, my husband installed outside stair made of granite. He used some epoxy grout, but for some reason it stained the granite. I would like to know the best way to remove those stains. And if there is any product that is safe to use on granite and will remove the stain. Thank you in advance.

Dear Melanie:

I can't tell you anything intelligent unless you explain to me what those stains look like.

If it is just residue of the epoxy grout sitting on the surface of the stone, then some patient rubbing with a potent paint stripper based on Methylene Chloride (available at any hardware store) should do. (Follow all precautionary directions printed on the container of the product.) But if it is a different type of discoloration that for some reason went deep inside the stone you would have to poultice it out.

How?

When it comes to stain removal, either you buy one of those expensive "Professional kits" (that true professionals seldom use!) at a stone retailer near you, or you can spend less money and get our comprehensive guidelines on how to remove stains by using inexpensive and far more effective means that you may already have in your household! Such impressive piece of literature will also tell you how to tell stains apart from "stains", and what to do about the latter! It does carry a small price tag, and you can order it by logging on at: <http://www.mbstone.com/literature/literature.htm>. It's available in pay-per-download format and it's much cheaper than any kit on the market! 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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Ciao and good luck,

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