## **Cleaners for Galaxy Black Granite**

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Wow, I am so impressed by the extensive knowledge and forthright way it is presented. I am having Galaxy Black Granite countertops installed in my Kitchen and have just had Galaxy Black Granite tiles laid in my Foyer. I'm planning to also use them as a hearth for my fireplace and on its facia. I have read your advice that you do not seal Galaxy Black and that is actually gabbro. So here are the questions...1) is it ok to do the fireplace in the Galaxy Black? 2) do I use the same method & cleaners on the floor as I do the counter? 3) Can you tell me which of your products are best for these purposes so I can purchase and start using them right away.4) how can I tell if this is really Black Galaxy? Thanks...

Dear MaryEllen:

Why, thank you for your nice words! :-)

Be very, VERY careful with Black Galaxy. If it is the real thing is one of the very best stones that money can buy, but it if it doctored (by the factory), you're going to be in a world of hurt!!

Check the slab your fabricator will be cutting your projects from and make sure that there are no dark runs on the side of the slab (the entire slab - not just a piece cut out of it). If there are, rejct the material without any hesitation!

As for the routine care, by logging into the Helpful Hints section of our website at:

<u>http://www.marblecleaning.org/helpful-hints.htm, you will be able to get the short version of our maintenance guidelines</u> <u>at no charge. The full version of it – a 7-page document considered by many as an industry benchmark – is</u> <u>available in pay- per-download format in our Educational Literature section at:</u>

http://www.marblecleaning.org/literature.htm. And remember, every single penny of the cost of the literature will be used to support this site and its cause: **your** cause.

While you are in the "Helpful Hints― section, do spend some time reading all of the interesting FREE articles you'll find in there!

Finally, keep in mind that we need your support to help us helping you!

Will you please read and e-sign our Statement of Purpose at: http://www.marblecleaning.org/purpose.htm?

By spreading the word about this valuable site among your friend & family and the stone trades' people you've been dealing with, you will be rendering everybody a valuable service!

Thank you

Ciao and good luck,

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