

# Honed Marble Tile Floor

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Hello. I'm having my bathroom remodeled and just happened across your website today and have found it rich with information that I haven't seen anywhere. I'm having honed Chestnut Brown marble installed on my floor. My research tells me that this color of marble comes from the Philippines and is considered a dense marble. Is this true? If so, does this type of marble, being honed, need to be sealed? If sealing is required, what type of product do you recommend? I'm in the process of downloading your information brochures and if I've asked a question that is answered in those, I apologize. Thanks, Nancy

Dear Nancy:

I'm not really familiar with that particular marble, but I would be surprised if turns out *not* to be dense. (Most marbles are.)

But even assuming that it absorbs somehow, ask to yourself: what kind of chances do you have to spill coffee and cooking oil on your bathroom floor without realizing it? (Which means leaving them sitting on the surface of the stone for half an hour or better?) If the answer to that question is, virtually nil, then you know what not to do!

Remember, impregnators (a.k.a. sealers) have their function and are wonderful products when the situation grants for their use (absorbency and location), but, not matter what, the more you leave the stone alone, the better it is for it. **The issue of what you'll be doing day in and day out to your stone is far more important than the sealing** 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 it from your dealer or installer. Don't become another statistic! By logging into the Helpful Hints section of our website at: <http://www.marblecleaning.org/helpful-hints.htm>, you will be able to get the short version of our maintenance guidelines at no charge. The full version of it "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.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,

Maurizio Bertoli

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