matching countertops with floor

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We are building a new home and wanted to know how to match the kitchen flooring with the countertops. We like the Breccia Onaciata marble tile flooring or Tigerwood floor and are torn between a Golden Persia or uba tuba granite countertop. We like a medium brown cabinet to go with either of our choices. What is the rule of thumb when trying to match the countertop with floor? Is there a website you can direct us to? Please help us so we don't make the wrong decisions. Thanks

Dear Sharon:

I'm strictly a mechanic, so, please, leave me out of the decorating business; I'm even 25% colorblind, for crying out loud! J

I have no personal knowledge of a website that could help you with your dilemma, but I'm sure that there's more than one: there are websites for everything nowadays!...

As for your choice of polished marble for your kitchen floor, I'm afraid that you didn't make your homework well enough, if you allow me to say so in consideration of your statement that you would like to avoid making wrong decisions. As a mechanic I can tell you that unless you're going to use yours strictly as a showplace and have no kids or dogs running around, no polished marble belongs in a kitchen.

After that, it's out of my hands.

But if I were you, I would concentrate more on the human factor than the stones themselves. Try to find good professionals to deal with: they will direct to the right stones – never vice-versa!

Always keep in mind that you're dealing with an industry that virtually totally unregulated and dominated by specific ignorance, alas.

May I ask you now to please read and e-sign our Statement of Purpose at: http://www.marblecleaning.org/purpose.htm? J

Ciao and good luck,

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