

# Bluestone patio

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Our bluestone patio was just redone using existing stones with a new cement base. Mortar was used between the stones. I am trying to avoid the problem of water deteriorating the mortar and getting underneath as happened before. Should the mortar be sealed; and if so, with what product? I live in the Northeast and freeze/thaw cycles are a problem!

Dear Monette:

If you know that it would be a problem - and it will - why on earth did you use that kind of material to grout your stones?... I mean, you're not really thinking that you could solve the problem by applying a sealer to that mortar, do you? You should have used flexible grouting material for exteriors instead.

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Ciao and good luck,

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