## **Color match caulk**

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Is it acceptable and practical to use color match caulk instead of grout for granite tile countertops. Referring to the flat tops, not splash. Will it last as long as grout? We're installing 18x25 inch tiles, so not many seams, and we'd love to just caulk it. Also, with big heavy tiles like this, can we use a little epoxy to set these rather than thin set? Thanks, Aaron

Dear Aaron:

Starting with the setting material, yes, you can use epoxy. It is actually a very good idea.

As for the caulk instead of regular grout, not only is it okay, by highly recommended, too! That is what I always advise to use. Caulk is stainless and water-proof; what more do you want?!... J

Of course, regardless of the grout, your stone will need to be taken good care of. 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.

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Ciao and good luck,

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