

stain removal on granite countertop

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Hi Maurizio, I have read info on your site to remove a couple of stains from my granite kitchen countertop. I went out yesterday to purchase 30 volume hydrogen peroxide (to remove a ring left from a tomato) from a beauty supply store. The product the clerk showed me is Clairoxide and lists the following ingredients in addition to hydrogen peroxide: Water, Cetearyl Alcohol, Cetearth-25, Salicylic Acid, Phosphoric Acid, Disodium Phosphate, Etidronic Acid. Is this the correct product? The clerk said there is no straight up hydrogen peroxide at 30/40 volume. Also, I purchased baby powder to make the poultice. The powder lists talc and fragrance as ingredients. I could not find a product that was straight up talc. Is talc with fragrance safe to use? Also, I purchased Pure Acetone (to use on an oil stain from my cutting board) from the beauty supply as well and the only ingredient listed is acetone. I assume this is the same type of acetone I would find in a hardware store, right? Finally, once I am able to remove the stains I am planning on using your MB-4 sealer on my countertop. How do I properly clean my counter top before I seal (make sure all residue, etc is removed)? Will your MB-5 cleaner be all that I need? I have not purchased your products yet but want to make sure I am using the correct products for my counter top. Thanks so much for your time. Ann

Dear Ann:

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No, it does not sound like the right product. It is kind of milky looking, isn't it? Get the clear type: that should be 100% HP.

œ The powder lists talc and fragrance as ingredients. I could not find a product that was straight up talc. Is talc with fragrance safe to use? œ•

Yes; the presence of fragrances is inconsequential.

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Right.

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clean my counter top before I seal (make sure all residue, etc is removed)?

I'd use acetone a couple of time for a really deep cleaning. So you may need more than the little bottle you've got at the beauty salon.

Will MB-5 cleaner be all that I need?

For cleaning, yes, it's all you will ever need. If you want to live-up your countertop from time to time you may consider MB-13, as well.

May I ask you now to please read and e-sign our Statement of Purpose at: <http://www.marblecleaning.org/purpose.htm>
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Ciao and good luck,

Maurizio Bertoli

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