

Polished Creme Marfil

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Hi Maurizio, This may be a dumb question, but is it acceptable to use polished creme marfil marble inside the shower stall? I plan on using the honed finish for the floors, but I wanted to find out if polished is acceptable in the shower stall. I'm assuming I don't need to seal this.

Dear Bernard:

The only dumb questions are those that are never asked! :-)

If it is not a steam shower stall the answer is, yes.

However, remember: the stone is just as good as the installer!!

Only in a few cases I witnessed shower stall installation failures due to the stone. (And I've seen lots and lots of failures!)

In the vast majority of the instances, the failure was due to improper installation.

If the installation is not stellar on a floor, it may not be a big deal; but if it is not done right inside a shower stall, you're gonna be in a world of hurt, no matter which material you chose!

No, you won't need to seal it!...

Yet, you will need to take care of it, won't you?

The issue of what you'll be doing day in and day out to your stone is “like it should be intuitive” vastly more important than its sealing (if and when possible and/or advisable) 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:

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Thank you

Ciao and good luck,

Maurizio Bertoli

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