brushed granite

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I have to have my final granite choice by Monday and I want to know if brushed granite is popular for kitchen countertops. I have read that brushed is for exterior use mainly. I like the look of honed and brushed granite but I don't want to choose the wrong granite for my new house. Would brushed or honed granite look bad in my new kitchen? Please reply quickly so I can let the builder know what my choice is going to be. (My granite color is not black or absolute). Thanks, Carol

Dear Carol:

Especially if it is not black, brush-finished mercantile granite is indeed an excellent finish for your project. (Mainly exterior use??... Never heard of this one!)

I would still urge you to apply to your stone a good-quality stone color-enhancer/impregnator non-sensitive to most common acids, like MB-6.

After that, remember, it's never too early to think about the proper maintenance of your stone. The issue of what you'll be doing day in and day out to your stone is †" as 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 routine care from your dealer or installer. Don't become another statistic! By logging into the Helpful Hints section of our website at:

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Ciao and good luck,

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