

# restoring and maintaining brazilian slate

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Hello Maurizio! A long while ago, we had an email exchange about travertine bathroom tile and slate counters. Unfortunately, since then my email has died and been resurrected, and I lost your advice on what products I should buy for my Brazilian gray slate countertops. I am very frustrated by all the rings and splotches on my counters (even plain water makes them!), so I'd like to get rid of as many of them as I can and then figure out how to prevent more from appearing. I'm going crazy trying to wipe up every little drip so it won't leave a mark. I'm an Italian cook! I can't be that neat! So, tell me what to buy (and what to expect from it) and I'll do it. thanks! -Laura

Dear Laura: (I feel like I'm writing to my wife! LOL)

A good-quality acid-resistant stone color enhancer like MB-6 is "your man"!

Unfortunately most slates are total maintenance nightmare by American standards... :-(

There's no way that you can prevent all those "water spots" (acid etchings, that is), but the color-enhancer will hide them real 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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