

Travertine Showers

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I am purchasing a new home that has a travertine shower enclosure. I was hoping to find out what you would suggest to prepare the shower enclosure before the first use and how to maintain with soap scum build up and such. I have never had to maintain natural stone before. Thank you for responding!

Dear Tammy:

There's nothing that you should do to "prepare" your shower stall before using it. Just make sure that the grout and caulk lines are properly filled, and it is important that from time to time you monitor them and address any possible problem right away.

Other than that, I would like to urge you to get some specific education about stone care! 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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Thank you

Ciao and good luck,

Maurizio Bertoli

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