

How to Clean Silestone Quartz Countertops

Silestone quartz countertops are some of the finest bathroom and kitchen countertops you can buy on the market today. Their broad styles and color customization allows their quartz to shine above any other leading brand. Silestone [quartz countertops](#) are extremely durable, have a wide variety of colors, and perform well in high-traffic areas.

The best part of all is that their quartz countertops do not need as much maintenance as other stones. Put away the heavy-duty cleaning supplies to clean-up the occasional spill, and learn how to properly clean Silestone quartz countertops so they keep their shine for years to come.

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Basics on Silestone Quartz

Silestone quartz is a composition of premium mineral quartz and recycled materials to create a top notch stone countertop for your kitchen or bathroom. Their quartz has built-in antimicrobial protection to combat microbes, odor producing bacteria, mold, and mildew.

Requiring relatively little to no maintenance, it comes with a 25-year residential warranty to allow safety and security when purchasing and installing their product. The warranty covers replacement and repair of any defective product for a period of 25-years under their [terms and conditions](#).

Their biggest strength, aside from the amazing durability of the quartz, is the wide variety of colors and patterns available on their website [Silestoneusa.com](#). The amount of customization offered to customers ranges from multiple shades of colors, patterns, styles, finishes and edging. No matter where you want to put your quartz countertop, it is going to be one of the highlights of the room.

How to Clean Quartz Countertops

Quartz countertops are manufactured to have a non-porous surface, meaning they do not have the tiny indents or ridges natural stone possesses. Having a solid surface seals it in, as well as provides protection from spills.

When cleaning Silestone quartz countertops, simply wipe with a combination of dish soap, warm water and a soft cloth. Using a microfiber cloth or non-abrasive sponge will gently clean the surface to remove any dirt or debris without scratching the finish. Wiping in small circles covers a wide area and completely removes any traces of dirt.

The [Silestone Quick Reference Guide](#) suggests performing regular cleanings whenever there is dirt or spill. Removing any dirt quickly will prevent any acidic material from damaging the quartz over time.

Removing Tough Messes on Quartz Countertops

Not every mess will be as easy as wiping away apple juice or crumbs from breakfast. According to the [Silestone Care & Maintenance Guide](#), for tougher messes, soak the area for a few minutes with a mild household cleaner like Formula 409 or Windex. After letting the area saturate, rinse and clean with a soft brush or non-abrasive scouring pad.

Stains or messes that harden over time like gum will require some extra force to remove. Using a blade or putty knife, carefully scrape off the surface and clean with dish soap and warm water. Quartz is very durable and scratch resistant, but use caution when handling sharp objects.

What Not to Use on Quartz Countertops

Quartz may be strong, but it is not invulnerable. It can be damaged if cleaned with the incorrect products.

Harsh Chemicals: Strong chemicals using bleach have high acidity levels which are very harsh on countertops. Continual cleaning with bleach cleaners or other acidic cleaners will lead to discoloration or damage over time.

Water Repellents and Sealants: Quartz is already sealed because it is manufactured to have a solid surface. Using a sealant will be redundant, wastes your time and money, as well as damage the quartz. Quartz can actually lose its sheen when these products are applied.

Rough Scrubbing Pads: The hard scraping action when using a rough scrubbing pad can remove the sheen on quartz.

High pH Cleaners: Home cleaners which have a high pH are also very acidic and can damage quartz countertops. Products such as degreasers, oven cleaners, and alkaline cleaning solutions all have high pH levels and should not be used to clean quartz countertops.

When faced with a mess that proves too difficult to remove, call Silestone or the supplier of the Silestone quartz stone and speak to a professional on how to effectively remove the problem stain.

How to Prevent Stains on Quartz Countertops

Silestone quartz countertops are designed to withstand scratches, stains, and chipping. Being manufactured makes it already sealed, providing no cracks for liquids and food matter to slip into. All this just means that it is very difficult to stain or damage quartz. Still, prevention is always better than reacting, and it is better to be proactive when managing your quartz countertops.

Wipe up any spills or messes before it sticks onto the stone. It is very difficult for anything to soak into quartz because it is dense with almost no chance of anything seeping into any cracks.

Performing daily care by cleaning the surface with warm water, dish soap and a soft cloth is more than enough to keep quartz healthy.

Silestone quartz countertops are a premium brand for a reason. They provide you with a high-quality quartz that, when properly cared for, can last you a lifetime.