

How Do You Match Backsplash Tile to Granite Countertops?

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Granite countertops will allow many options to choose from. This is one of the primary reasons that this natural stone is known as a great countertop material. Because of your many options, selecting the ideal backsplash may not seem like the easiest task. However, with proper planning, you can find an appealing tile backsplash to pair with your new granite countertop.

How Can You Match a Granite Countertop to a Backsplash?

Matching a granite countertop to a backsplash is not all that difficult if you take the proper approach. That said, there are several approaches you can take to finding the right backsplash.

Choose the Countertop First

The most common approach to pairing a backsplash with granite countertops will be to select your countertop first. Doing so will make it much easier to find a backsplash that is an ideal fit. Once you know what color and style your granite countertop is, you can find a similar color or pattern of backsplash tile. Keep in mind that the tile does not necessarily have to be the same color as your granite to be a good pair. In many cases, you can choose a neutral colored backsplash that will pair well with any countertop.

Choose Your Backsplash First

The opposite approach to the one mentioned above will be to select your backsplash first. While this order is not common, it can work. If you choose a flashy backsplash with vivid colors, it will be best to then select a granite countertop that is more subdued.

What Types of Tile Can Be Used for Backsplashes?

When it comes to tile backsplashes, there are also several options to choose from. Some of the most popular options are subway tile, glass tile, mosaic tile and ceramic tile. The order you choose the countertop and backsplash in will have a significant impact on which material will be right for your space.

Types of Tile Backsplashes

Subway tile
Glass tile
Mosaic tile
Ceramic tile

What Are Other Options Besides Tile?

Various types of tile are not the only options you have for backsplashes. If you are looking for a stylish new kitchen backsplash to pair with your granite countertop, you can also consider the following options.

Granite

Granite is not only a great material for kitchen countertops, but it will look terrific as a backsplash as well. If you are installing a full backsplash (one that extends from your countertop to the bottom of the upper cabinets), there are few materials that can rival the beauty of a granite slab. From the coloring to the veining present in many slabs, you will surely be able to highlight the natural stone you select for both your countertop and backsplash. One of the primary advantages a granite backsplash has over tile is no grout lines.

Stainless Steel

If you are going for more of a modern look, consider a stainless steel backsplash.

Glass

As with stainless steel, glass backsplashes are a nice choice for a contemporary look.

In addition to countertops, backsplashes, cabinetry and flooring are all essential parts of kitchen design. The kitchen itself is a major factor in any home remodeling project. When you consider this, finding the right backsplash for your countertop is a big deal. Regardless of the style you choose, your granite countertop or your backsplash can easily become the focal point of your kitchen. Reviewing this guide can help you select a wonderful backsplash for your home.