



NATURAL STONE CHARACTERISTICS

If you are considering installing granite, quartzite, or any other type of natural stone kitchen countertop or bathroom vanity, it is important to understand that your countertop maintains the same characteristics and structure that it did in the ground. This means that the veins, pits, and fissures that make up the color and beauty of your stone, will be visible in your countertops. Veining is a natural variation in the look of granite that occurs when other minerals or elements are present during the stone's formation. These color and pattern variations are not weak points in the stone, but only a cosmetic effect. Pits and fissures are part of the stone's natural structure and there may always be these tiny spaces in the deposits of mineral crystals that makes each slab unique ... they are in no way a structural defect. Pitting is an intrinsic feature and part of the unique characteristics that make up each natural stone, and it bears repeating that their presence in no way impairs its durability or appearance. When any natural stone is polished, pitting and fissuring will inevitably occur. Most pitting and fissuring is so microscopic that people don't even notice these irregularities. And for larger ones, they can be filled with an epoxy per industry standards.

Carefully review the slabs that are available and understand that the natural veining, pitting, and fissures present on the surface is what distinguishes highly sought-after natural stone from man-made or manufactured material.

By signing below, I acknowledge that Artistic Marble & Granite has reviewed the Natural Stone Characteristics with me, have shown me examples of these characteristics on my chosen color, and I understand that the stone I have chosen may have veins, pits, and/or fissures in the stone but that these characteristics are in no way to be deemed as a point of defect in my finished countertops.

Signature

Date