

Care Instruction



A natural stone countertop is nothing less than the showpiece of your kitchen. Each countertop is unique and gives your kitchen a warm, exclusive character. This material requires proper care and is given its natural beauty if being treated correctly. We assume in our Care Instruction that the stone is already pretreated by a professional with an impregnation (stain repellent or colour intensifier).

We distinguish porous and calcareous stones, such as marble (that are reasonably sensitive to staining) and granites that are harder and acid-resistant.

Maintaining your natural stone with regularity and care with the following products ensure good protection against stains, and a well maintained countertop.

1 Daily cleaning

AKEMI® Crystal Clean Spray

► the cleaner for every day



- Multi-purpose cleaning spray for daily use. pH-neutral, leaves no stripes and dries quickly.
- Can also be used for cleaning of vitro-ceramic stoves, glass, plastics, stainless steel and fittings.



1. Shake well before use, then open the spray nozzle.



2. Spray surface to be treated evenly.



3. Clean surface with a clean and dry cloth.



- In case of heavy soiling we recommend AKEMI® Natural Stone Intensive Cleaner or specialised cleaners (more information at www.akemi.com).

2 Monthly care

AKEMI® Triple Effect Spray

► cleans, cares and protects



- This care spray cleans, cares and protects. It supports and supplements the efficacy of occurring impregnations in an excellent way.
- After use, a pearl effect prevents dirt from penetrating easily into the stone..



1. Shake well before use, then open the spray nozzle.



2. Optimum working temperature: 15 - 25°C. Spray surface to be treated evenly.



3. Clean surface with a clean and lint-free cloth after max. 5 minutes, until streaks or film are no longer visible.



- Excess product and excessive use may deposit a film (this can be removed with AKEMI® Cleaner I).

3 Intensive Cleaning

AKEMI® Natural Stone Basic Cleaner

► for intensive and powerful cleaning



- This ready-for-use cleaning spray is suitable for an intensive cleaning of food remnants, slight oil and grease stains on natural stone counter tops, sinks etc.



1. Spray surface to be treated evenly.



2. Spread with a damp cloth or sponge and allow to work. Do not allow to dry!



3. Remove remaining dirt with a damp cloth.



- In case of heavy soiling reapply AKEMI® Natural Stone Basic Cleaner and let it soak for 5-10 minutes. If necessary use a brush.
- For normal soiling and daily care use AKEMI® Crystal Clean.

4 Application of impregnations

AKEMI® Stain Repellent Nano-Effect or AKEMI® Darkener Super

We recommend impregnating natural stone kitchen countertops regularly with an AKEMI® stain repellent product (colourless) or colour intensifier (darkens the colour), depending on customer's requirement.

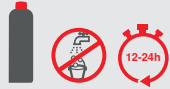
► We recommend an annual impregnation treatment in case of stain-sensitive (e.g. marble) and intensively used kitchen countertops. For less stain-sensitive and/or less intensively used kitchen countertops, every 3 to 5 years.



■ Impregnations prevent water, wine, oil, grease and general dirt from penetrating into the surface. They do not close off the surface completely, but minimise the pores ensuring that the natural stone continues to breathe. The dirt remains on top of the surface.



1. Shake bottle well before use.



2. Do not dilute the ready-to-use product. Excess material can be dissolved with the same product.



3. Apply product to a clean, dust- and grease-free, dry surface.

2 layers wet-in-wet with a +/- 10 minutes application time are generally sufficient (application time depends on the product; see Technical Data Sheet for respective product). The product must be applied thinly and evenly with a cloth, brush or the user-friendly AKEMI® Impregnation Pad.



4. The last layer may not dry up and should be wiped dry and repolished with an absorbent cloth to remove the film.

► Coverage on natural stone is on the average 10 - 20 m² per litre.



- If the impregnation dries up before it is wiped dry, remoisten the countertop with the impregnation and wipe dry afterwards. For more information refer to the Technical Data Sheet of the respective product.
- Attention: Impregnations do not protect against acid stains (e.g. orange juice) on stones which are sensitive to acids (e.g. marble).

5 Gloss refreshing of polished natural stone

AKEMI® Stone Polish silicone-based



■ This polish ensures a beautiful gloss and colour structure. Also removes slight scratches and adhesive dirt. AKEMI® Stone Polish silicone-based makes it low maintenance and water-repellent.



1. Shake bottle well before use.



2. Apply thinly with a soft cloth and let it dry.



3. Then polish with a soft cloth or polishing cotton either mechanically or manually.



- AKEMI® Stone Polish silicone-based is only suitable for polished or smooth surfaces.
- Slight colour intensification possible.



The recommended AKEMI-products are provided with a foodsafe certificate! They have been carefully selected, tested in our laboratory and meet highest requirements.



Please follow the instructions on AKEMI product labelling and the Technical Data Sheets at www.akemi.com. For questions please call +49 (0)911 – 642960 or send an e-mail to: info@akemi.de