

The Pros of Installing a Quartzite Countertop in Your Kitchen or Bath

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While researching options for your kitchen renovation, you may have found references to quartzite and how beautiful it is. Besides its singular appearance, are there other reasons for selecting this natural stone over other popular materials? There are several pros associated with quartzite when compared to other natural and manmade countertop materials.

A Hard Natural Stone able to Withstand Daily Use

If you are searching for the hardest countertop that will resist scratches caused by pots, pans, and knives, quartzite may be the perfect solution. While marble, [granite](#), and quartzite are all naturally occurring stone materials, they do not have the same hardness qualities. On the Mohs Hardness Scale that runs from 1 to 10, with 10 being the hardest, marble usually ranks at about 4. Many granite slabs will test at approximately 6 to 6.5. Quartzite generally tests between 7 and 8—making it the most durable stone countertop material available on the market.

Quartzite Features Unique Colorations not Found in Other Materials

While every type of stone can be found in a range of colors, most granite and marble slabs feature shades of white and gray. Since quartzite is a metamorphic stone that is created where tectonic plates meet and shift around the planet, it can be found in a wide range of colorations. For example, a slab of [Azul Macaubas quartzite](#) features dark blue bold variations. When you work with this stone, you can push the boundaries of trending styles and find a unique look that cannot be duplicated in any other kitchen.

Every Quartzite Countertop is a Custom Installation

For those that want to avoid the suburban copycat look in their kitchen, using a quartzite or other natural stone countertop guarantees a custom finish due to the installation procedure. The stone is

cut from the mountain face in supersized blocks which are then sliced down to slabs measuring about 6 feet X 10 feet. You select which slab will be used for your project. Once your new bottom cabinets and island are installed, the countertop technician creates a unique template of your [kitchen](#). The quartzite is then cut in the local shop to match the template. The final installation guarantees a seamless and custom finish.

Quartzite is Easy to Maintain

If it is a custom counter, it must be impossible to keep clean, right? That is not true for quartzite. The only thing you will need to do is use a good cleaner conditioner like Supreme Surfaces. If something is really stuck, you can scrub all you want. Should it ever become scratched—which is not likely—the damage can be polished out by your [local countertop installation technicians](#).

If you would like to learn more about quartzite, its installation, and available slabs, visit us at Legacy Marble & Granite. You can also see the slabs in person at our showroom located in Findlay, OH.