

# Granite Countertops



**NEWSTAR STONE**

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*Bring you dream to life*



# About us

Newstar is a very strength comprehensive manufacturer of stone products, located in Quanzhou Fujian, China, with a history of 21 years.

According to local stone quarry, Newstar have own factory in Shuitou, Shijing, Guanqiao, Dongshi, Yixian, Zhangzhu, to support our huge stone products system. Our factory in Shuitou brings in the international leading technology, adopt the fully automated production lines. Our annual production capacity could be up to 300,000 square meters. This technology is also being brought in to our other factories.

Expected in the next three years, the company's total production capacity will be doubled.

Newstar supply stone materials from all around the world, currently we got more than 12,000 kinds of stones from 233 countries. Our products have passed the 3C, CE, ROHS certification, and been exported to more than 180 countries in Europe, America, Southeast Asia, Middle East, Oceania etc. We provide highquality building materials, bathroom and kitchen products for departments, square, hotels and luxury residential in different countries

With the spirit of "customer first, integrity management", Newstar bring every customer of family care, making customer's each cooperation with us a best experience and enjoyment.





# *Simply Elegant*

Granite countertops, created by mother nature and fashioned by Halquist craftsmen, are an investment that homeowners will never regret. With deep colors and patterns, granite offers that elusive, one-of-a-kind beauty that only can be created by nature. Granite counters add instant beauty, value and prestige to a kitchen or bathroom that simply can't be matched by synthetic materials.

Halquist Stone has an extensive network of suppliers which allows us to find the exact stone you are looking for. With state-of-the-art fabricating equipment, old world craftsmanship and the areas most experienced sales staff, Halquist Granite is an affordable luxury that will continue to pay you back for years to come.





# 10 Myths About Granite

- 1** **MYTH:** Granite is absorbent. **FACT:** Granite is actually less absorbent than some solid surface (plastic) products. Granite is commonly used as building material for high-rise buildings due to its ability to withstand gale force winds and rain.
- 2** **MYTH:** Granite stains easily. **FACT:** Granite is resistant to stains. Generally, any liquid spilled on a granite top, if wiped up within a few minutes, will not stain. However, even water can soak into a granite countertop and leave a dark colored spot but this will evaporate in minutes. Liquids that do not evaporate, such as oils, will cause stains if left to soak into the stone.
- 3** **MYTH:** Stains in granite are permanent. **FACT:** Most stains can be removed. Even oil stains can usually be removed using a poultice or paste that will draw out the oil from the stone.
- 4** **MYTH:** Granite will lose its polish over the years. **FACT:** While this may be true of marble, granite will shine years from now just as if it was brand new. Granite is highly scratch resistant and will not show wear from daily use.
- 5** **MYTH:** Granite requires a lot of maintenance. **FACT:** Routine cleaning with mild soap and water is all that is generally required. Once a year, a reapplication of a penetrating sealer should be performed, which only takes about 15 minutes - less time than scouring a solid surface countertop with a cleaners to remove scratches.
- 6** **MYTH:** Heat will cause granite to chip and crack. **FACT:** Granite is heat resistant and can withstand the heat of hot pots and pans without damage. Impact from a heavy object may chip granite, but heat from anything short of a blowtorch will not affect your countertop.
- 7** **MYTH:** Dark colored granites are harder than light colored granites. **FACT:** Granites are composed of a variety of minerals, each of which has specific performance properties. The hardest mineral commonly found in granite is quartz, which is normally a somewhat translucent, white to grey colored mineral. Granite is the second hardest mineral on Earth - diamonds are #1.
- 8** **MYTH:** Granite's tiny pores and fissures harbor bacteria. **FACT:** Bacteria are found everywhere. If it is on a granite top, then it can also be found on a laminate or solid surface top. Use an anti-bacterial soap to wash your countertop if you are concerned.





9 **MYTH:** Granite and marble are essentially the same. **FACT:** Besides the fact that they are both natural stones, and can be polished, they are otherwise very different. Marble is generally a calcious stone, formed from deposits and then compressed under pressure. Granite, however, is an igneous rock, essentially molten magma, which is cooled and then hardened below the Earth's surface. Granite is second only to diamonds in hardness.

10 **MYTH:** Granite is expensive. **FACT:** Granite is usually competitively priced compared to other high-end surfacing materials. You will be amazed when you compare the price of granite to other popularity famed "luxury surfaces". Halquist granite offers you an unmatched value with it's natural beauty, elegance and longevity.

## Why find us ?

### **Fastest service**

We could learn about your requirement in the shortest time and reply by e-mail / phone within 24hours.

### **Short production time**

After your confirmation, 15-25days/Container, guarantee quick selling in your market.

### **Reliable quality**

European A standard bring your customer back again and again., 20 inspectors who oversee each production stage, check piece by piece before shipment.

### **One package service**

We can supply comprehensive service for you with professional production, sales, shipping and after-service team.



## *It's About The Details*

Choosing the proper material for a countertop is a big decision and requires that many considerations be taken into account. Appearance, strength, durability, sustainability and, of course, price are key factors in making a choice that will leave the consumer satisfied and, ultimately, proud. Some common options on the market today are plastic laminates, ceramic tile, stainless steel, concrete, natural stones (marble, granite, slate, soapstone) and wood. Each material has its advantages; however, **granite seems to have more advantages that make it adaptable to the kitchen.**

Granite is an igneous, magma-formed rock that is generally made up of quartz, feldspar and mica. These minerals combine in varying percentages that account for the color, veining and crystallization patterns that make each granite deposit and therefore customized countertop - unique. Other minerals, such as magnetite, pyrite, garnet and hematite can occur in much smaller amounts, and as such, it is these different combinations that create the wide range of granite varieties that are available throughout the world.

Once you have decided to install granite countertops in your home or business, you need to find the right people to help you through the process from start to finish.

You need a professional who knows what is required for installation, is familiar with granite and how it works, and knows how to gather the information and measurements to fabricate the piece correctly. Halquist owns and operates nine quarries throughout the Midwest. Our expertise is in processing raw materials and creating a product to a customer's specifications and imagination.

The dedication to providing our customers with the best stuff made on Earth is what transcends the ordinary into a body of work that inspires the soul. After you've had the opportunity to discover the many options that are available to you, we can help you take the next step in creating a kitchen or bathroom of your dreams.



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