

*Congratulations on the purchase of your Livingstone concrete product! Livingstone Concrete Studio products are one of a kind, functional works of art, custom crafted by skilled craftsmen especially for you. Livingstone concrete is exactly that- a Living Stone. Through the years this timeless creation will grow with your family and your home.*

**About our products.**

Livingstone's products are hand made from natural materials. Variation in color, texture, and porosity may occur and are considered inherent and valued qualities. Each product has also been reinforced internally to guarantee a strong, lifelong product. Non-structural cracks, although rare, are possible and shall not be considered a manufacturing defect.

**How to maintain.**

Your countertop has been sealed with a water based polyurethane concrete sealer. This is a durable, film forming sealer that protects the countertop from normal staining elements. Although this is top of the line sealer, common sense should apply with use. Clean up after your spills. Don't allow standing liquids to sit on the countertop for prolonged periods. Be aware of acids like vinegar, lemon juice, wine, and grapefruit. Such acidic liquids can etch the surface if left on the countertop long enough. Also be aware of oils, such as olive oil or bacon grease.

**What to do... What not to do.***DON'T*

Use heavy abrasive, bleach based or ammoniated cleansers to clean the surface. Use of such cleansers will wear down the sealer and result in less stain resistance.

*DO*

Clean up after your spills. Use regular soap and water or a non-ammoniated cleanser such as Simple Green.

*DON'T*

Cut directly on the surface. The use of knives on the concrete will dull your knives and could possibly cut through the sealer.

*DO*

Use a cutting board or create an optional integrated cutting board feature in your countertop.

*DON'T*

Place hot pots and pans directly on the concrete surface. Doing so will not affect the concrete but may discolor the wax and sealer.

*DO*

Use a trivet under a hot pan. Better yet, create an optional integrated trivet feature next to your stove so you have a place to put your hot pans.

*DON'T*

Freak out over the first stain to appear on the surface, or if a small hairline crack occurs.

*DO*

Accept these character marks as a natural part of the patina process. Over time, your countertop will take on a beautiful timeless quality, like a Living Stone. If after several years of wear you would like to erase some of these character marks, you can contact Livingstone Studios to refinish your countertop and bring back its original luster.

**Limited warranty.**

Livingstone Concrete Studio will give technical advice and assistance for the lifetime of our products. We stand behind our products to provide a surface that will withstand normal kitchen, tabletop or floor usage. Livingstone Concrete Studio, at its sole option, shall repair or replace such products that fail solely due to a manufacturing defect during the first year after installation. This does not include reasonable labor charges to repair or reinstall the product and only applies to Livingstone products that have been handled, fabricated, installed and maintained in the manner recommended by Livingstone Concrete Studio.

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