

Basalt - Flamed

Basalt is an igneous (volcanic) rock formed from the rapid cooling of magnesium-rich and iron-rich lava exposed at or very near the earth's surface. Basalt is usually grey to black in colour with subtle patterns & is fine grained. Small holes throughout the stone are formed as the lava is cooled rapidly at the earth's surface. These holes are usually filled at the factory during fabrication or with grout or cement during installation. As Basalt weathers, the colours can show changes to brown or rust-red due to oxidation into rust of its iron-rich minerals. The flamed, old world, rustic look is achieved by wetting, then running an oxygen-acetylene or propane torch over the stone causing the surface layer to expand and flake off, exposing rough stone.

Pre-Sealing

Purpose: To protect porous surface from staining and ease grout clean up during installation.

Pre-Sealing Options	Product Name	# Coats	Coverage Per 4 litres Per Coat*	Important Notes
Six Sided / Dip Sealing	Ultra-Block	1	15 m ²	When a six sided sealing process is desired to help minimise efflorescence, mineral blooming and picture framing.
Surface Pre-Sealing when dark or contrasting grout is used	Grout Release Pro	1	60 m ²	To be used when a dark or contrasting grout is used. Apply AFTER the initial coat of Ultra-Block, Aqua-Seal Gold+ or Enhance'N'Seal has cured & before starting the grouting.
Surface Pre-Sealing for a Natural Look	Aqua-Seal Gold+	1	60 - 80 m ²	Only for a NATURAL look. To pre-seal the top surface only. Helps with the grouting clean up process. Helps minimise staining from handling & adhesives during the installation
Surface Pre-Sealing for a Colour Enhanced Look	Enhance'N'Seal	1	60 - 80 m ²	Only for an ENHANCED look. To pre-seal the top surface only. Helps with the grouting clean up process. Helps minimise staining from handling & adhesives during the installation

Note: Use **Haze Away** as per label instructions to further help grout clean-up process and minimise grout haze.

Sealing

Purpose: To help protect porous surface from staining and ease ongoing maintenance.

Desired Look	Stain Resistance	Product Name	# Coats	Coverage Per 4 litres Per Coat*	Important Notes
Natural Look	Best	Aqua-Seal Gold+	2	80 - 100 m ²	Best recommendation for a natural look & maximum stain resistance. Ideal for residential, commercial, high traffic and also for food areas. Will also seal surrounding porous grout.
Natural Look (Small Areas)	Best	Spray'N'Seal	2	10 - 15 m ² (Per 450ml can)	Best recommendation for small areas. For a natural look & maximum stain resistance. Ideal for residential, commercial, high traffic & also for food areas. Will also seal porous grout.
Colour Enhanced Look	Best	Enhance'N'Seal	2	80 - 100 m ²	Best recommendation for a colour enhanced/darkened look & maximum stain resistance is required. Ideal for residential, commercial, high traffic & also for food areas. Will also seal & enhance porous grout. Enhancement cannot be reversed.

Note: Sealers are not waterproofing agents and do not protect against etching by acid based contaminants or harsh chemicals.

Maintenance

Purpose: To safely clean & maintain the surface and to preserve it's beauty & integrity.

Type of Maintenance	Product Name	Important Notes
Regular Cleaning	EzyClean	Highly-concentrated. Neutral pH. Safe for everyday/regular use. Will not affect sealers, stone, tile or grout. Rinse free, streak free formula. Fresh lemon scent.
Heavy Duty Cleaning	XtremeClean	Heavy duty cleaner & degreaser. Safe on natural stone, encaustics, tiles & grout. Use on heavily soiled and neglected areas. Ideal as a periodic heavy duty cleaner.
Cleaning & Re-Sealing - Tops	AquaGuard	Spray and wipe, one step cleaner & re-sealer. Use on sealed surfaces to prolong the performance of existing sealer. Cleans off dirt, grease & grime. Safe for food areas.
Cleaning & Deodorising - Tops	Clean'N'Gleam	Spray and wipe cleaner and deodoriser. Use on natural stone and engineered stone surfaces. Safe for food areas. Cleans off dirt, grease and grime.

Note: Do not use abrasive or acid based products.

These recommendations are intended as general guidelines for sealing and maintenance. Read product label, technical bulletin & SDS thoroughly prior to use. Always test first. Keep floors dry to prevent slip falls.
* All Coverages are approximate and only as a guide. Coverage will vary depending on surface density, porosity, texture and absorption. Also weather conditions, the application method and number of coats.