

Caring for Your Granite

Here are some simple steps to keep your granite from WilgusIQ looking beautiful for years to come.

Cleaning Dos and Don'ts

Never use harsh, abrasive or acidic cleaners on granite. That includes but is not limited to toilet bowl or tub cleaner, bleach, glass cleaner, vinegar, Comet or de-greaser. For everyday cleaning use a soft cloth or sponge and use water or mild dish soap and water. Thoroughly rinse and dry after cleaning. For periodic deep cleaning you will want to use a pH-neutral cleaner or a product specially formulated for granite. You can purchase granite cleaner at the WilgusIQ showroom.



Clean Up Spills Right Away

Soda, fruit juice, wine, coffee, tomato juice and sauce are acidic and capable of staining granite. Spills should be cleaned up right away and coasters are a wise precaution. Check oil containers or bath and toiletry products for leaks that could cause discoloration if they are in constant contact with granite.



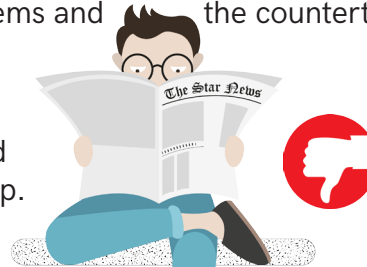
Protect With Cutting Boards, Hot Pads and Trivets

Cutting on stone will dull your knives, so a cutting board is recommended. And while granite can take a lot of heat, in rare cases rapid change of temperature can cause thermal shock and cracking or pop a seam. Excessively high temperatures can also weaken the stone's protective sealant, so it's always a good idea to put a layer of protection between very hot items and the countertop.



Don't Sit or Stand on Countertops

Granite is solid but not flexible. Concentrated weight could cause a crack in your countertop.



Sealing the Granite

Your granite was sealed after installation but, depending on the stone, will likely need resealing after a while. How will you know it's time? Simply apply some water to the surface and let stand. If the water beads up, the seal is still good. If the water soaks in, it's time to call WilgusIQ for resealing.

Repairs and Questions

Accidents will happen, even to granite, but most chips and scratches can be remedied. WilgusIQ offers expert repair at a reasonable price and continuing support to our customers. Please don't hesitate to call us at (417) 581-8775 with your questions and concerns.