

## Cleaning - Protecting - Maintaining **Marble** polished, finely honed -indoors-

e.g. Arabescato, Botticino, Carrara, Jura, Palissandro, Rosso Verona, Thassos, Trani, etc.

The use of these limestones as exclusive flooring material dates back to the days antiquity. Just as every other natural material, Marble does require a certain level of care. Choosing the right care system from the beginning will maintain this elegant stone's appearance for many years.

### Overview of the 3 Steps *for more detailed instructions, please refer to Page 2*

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#### Initial cleaning of newly installed surfaces *used surfaces: Page 2*

Lithofin MN Power-Clean removes greasy dirt and many other types of dirt.



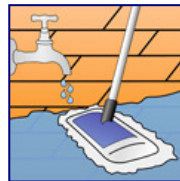
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1Ltr./50m<sup>2</sup>



Dilute product 1:10 with water.



Wipe surface with solution.



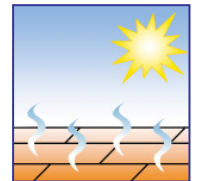
Rinse well with clear water.



Do not use acidic cleaners.



Soak any cement residues with undiluted product and remove with a white Pad.



Allow the surface to dry for at least 24 hours or until completely dry.

**Necessary equipment:** bucket, mop and scrubber, squeegee or wet-and-dry vacuum

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#### Protecting against stains *initial cleaning of used surfaces: Page 2*

Lithofin MN Stain-Stop -invisible- protects against oil and water and simplifies maintenance.



Coverage:  
1Ltr./25m<sup>2</sup>



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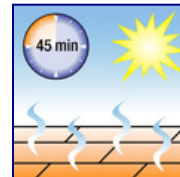
Pour product in a basin or bucket.



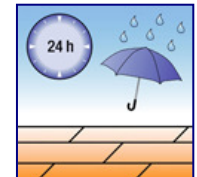
Evenly apply with an applicator, roller or a sponge. Work in small areas.



Redistribute to avoid puddles and remove any excess product.



Allow to dry. Do not walk on surface for approx. 45 minutes.



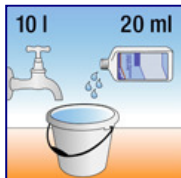
Protect from water for 24 hours.

**Necessary equipment:** bucket, applicator or roller, brush, cloth

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#### Regular maintenance *additional maintenance tips: Page 2*

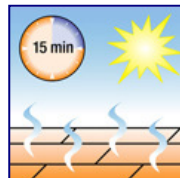
Lithofin MN Wash & Clean or Lithofin EASY-CARE maintain natural stone surfaces.



Add one squirt (20ml) to one bucket of water.



Wipe surface with solution. Do not rinse.



Allow to dry. Do not walk on surface during drying time.

**Necessary equipment:** bucket, mop

## Newly installed surfaces

**Before grouting:** generously apply Lithofin MN Stain-Stop to the dry surface and edges before grouting. This treatment will simplify removing excess grouting material because the surface will be water repellent.

## 1 Cleaning and refurbishing used or extremely dirty surfaces

- ◆ Before treating used surfaces, the stone must be thoroughly cleaned. All deposits and care product residues must be removed from the surface and from the pores.
- Depending on the degree of dirt, dilute Lithofin MN Power-Clean up to 1:3 with water. Apply with a scrubber or cloth and allow to work for 5 to 10 minutes.
- Brush well (with a scrubber or scrubbing machine) and wait another 5 minutes.
- Continue to scrub while adding water. Remove from the surface with a cloth or a wet-and-dry vacuum.
- Rinse with clear water in order to remove all product residues. Towel dry polished surfaces.
- ◆ Other, stubborn types of dirt: please refer to the table below.
- ◆ Allow the surface to dry for several days before applying the protective treatment

### Other, stubborn types of dirt

oil, grease, care product residues	Lithofin MN Power-Clean or Lithofin WEXA
tar, wax, varnish, paint	Lithofin WAX-OFF
deeply engrained oil stains	Lithofin OIL-EX
calcium deposits	Lithofin MN Power-Clean and a white pad

## 2 Additional information about protective treatments

- ◆ Impregnators such as Lithofin MN Stain-Stop render the surface water and oil repellent.
- ◆ This protective effect reduces staining and facilitates every-day maintenance.
- ◆ Lithofin MN Stain-Stop provides optimal protection with only minimal alterations to the surface appearance.
- ◆ There are no health concerns once the product has dried.
- ◆ We recommend touching up the protective treatment after 4 to 5 years.

### Please note:

- ◆ **Always test the product in an inconspicuous area.** Non-absorbent or wet surfaces cannot be treated.
- ◆ Use impregnators only on completely dry surfaces. Otherwise, the product will not be able to penetrate into the surface.
- ◆ Do not allow the product to dry on the surface. Carefully remove all excess. In case the product is starting to dry: rewet with Lithofin MN Stain-Stop.
- ◆ **Some stones may turn darker. Impregnators do not protect against acid.**

## 3 Additional care for more sheen



### Lithofin MN Care-Sheen (for floors)

After every fourth cleaning, touch the surface up with Lithofin MN Care-Sheen. Lithofin MN Care-Sheen protects and maintains sheen on all polished surfaces.



### Lithofin MN Polish Cream (for small surfaces)

Occasional touching up results in additional protection and sheen. Matt and dull spots become less visible with time.

### Please Note:

- △ Please follow the detailed instructions on the product labels.
  - △ Marble is attacked by acidic substances. Avoid contact with vinegar, lemon, wine, acidic cleaners, etc.
  - △ Do not use abrasive materials on marble. Scouring pads and powders will leave scratches and dull spots.
- TIP:** Avoid leaching and strong degreasing products as well as products that build up layers. These products alter the appearance and make maintenance more difficult.

If you require advice or are in any way unsure about these instructions, please call our **Technical Support Line at (01962) 732126.**

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△ This information should be considered to be informal and non-binding. The products must be used according to local conditions and materials. Instructions must be read carefully and followed closely. Where no previous experience is available, or in cases of doubt, test the product in an inconspicuous area. (GB3.09gps)

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