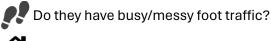
DESIGNING WITH NATURAL STONE

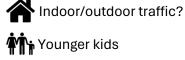
GENERAL GUIDELINES

- All 3/8" thick marble tiles, marble mosaics, limestone tiles and limestone mosaics are made rated for interior floor or wall applications.
- Inspect and dry lay before installation.

*Installation is acceptance, and no claims can be made will be accepted after installation.

- Use modified mortar specifically rated for natural stone.
- Use white mortar with lighter marbles.
- Homeowners should be asked lifestyle questions before they are offered marble floors.







*If yes to any of these questions, they should be recommended porcelain tile marble look.

- Each piece of marble is unique. If your customer does not enjoy high color variation, please refer to porcelain marble looks:
 - o Marmo Reale & Marmo Luxe
 - o **Epoque**
 - o Serene
 - o Atlantis
- Porcelain limestone looks:
 - o <u>Ibla</u>
 - o <u>Pietra Marais</u>
 - o <u>Travertino Antico</u> (vein cut travertine look)
- All natural stone applications need to be cleaned regularly (at least bi-weekly) to avoid build up.
 - Cleaning materials need to be PH Neutral and neither basic nor acidic.
 - Cleaners that have sealer properties are preferred.
- Once installed, surfaces need to be sealed with a stone sealer.
 - o Sealer needs to be tested annually and resealed as needed.
 - Testing Sealer: Spray water on the surface and see if the droplets bead up. The Sealer is working if this happens.
- For more information on care and maintenance and stain management visit zcollection.com/care-maintenance.

COMFORT ZONES



- All dry areas: kitchen and bathroom backsplashes, bathroom floors and walls (except shower walls), fireplace surrounds, tub surrounds, and feature walls.
- Recommended materials:
 - Cashmere White, Rockwood, Thassos, Bianco Carrara, Nero Marquina, Calacatta Gold, Bardiglio Cloud, Dolomite, & Blu Grigio.

ATTENTION ZONES





- Shower walls and floors and steam showers.
 - These areas are more technical, requiring waterproofing and draining.
 - o Shower floors require a stone drain with weeping holes.
 - Steam showers might absorb steam and look wet until they dry out.
- Recommended materials:
 - o Calacatta Gold, Bardiglio Cloud, Bianco Carrara, & Seagrass limestone.

STAIN ZONES



- Entry ways, kitchen floors, corridors, living room floors, fireplace hearth, & countertops.
- Recommended materials:
 - o Floors: Calacatta Gold, Bianco Carrara, Rockwood, Bardiglio Cloud, Nero Marquina
 - o Countertops: Calacatta Gold, Bianco Carrara, Bardiglio Cloud

COMMERCIAL ZONES



- Please inquire about the types of commercial projects before specifying.
- Recommended materials:
 - o Floors: Calacatta Gold, Bardiglio Cloud, Bianco Carrara, Seagreass limestone.
 - Walls: Cashmere White, Rockwood, Thassos, Bianco Carrara, Nero Marquina, Calacatta Gold, Bardiglio Cloud, Dolomite, Blu Grigio.

OTHER MARBLES

- Please contact <u>orderdesk@zcollection.com</u> before specifying the below marbles:
 - Verde Alpi (and other green marbles)
 - Rosso Levanto (and similar burgundy marbles)
 - o These require precaution and must be set with specialty products. Dry applications only.

When in doubt, call us at 503.419.9786 or email us at orderdesk@zcollection.com.