

## Porcelain Counters Care & Maintenance

### **Daily Cleaning**

For daily cleaning, a damp microfiber cloth is enough. For regular cleaning, we suggest using a neutral liquid detergent with a soft sponge or a microfiber cloth.

### More Intensive Cleaning

Persistent stains can be removed with a slightly abrasive sponge; if necessary, use a specially formulated stain remover (see table). Do not use steel wool pads, because these would leave metal traces that would then have to cleaned again.

#### **Precautions**

Remove any spills of staining liquids (like coffee, tea, red wine), caustic substances (such as oven cleaner), acids and colorants as soon as possible and rinse with water.

You can place hot pans directly on the surface; however, we recommend the use of trivets to protect the surface over time. Ceramic knives can damage the surface; therefore, we recommend the use of cutting boards. Avoid hitting the most susceptible parts of the surface, such as corners and edges.

### **Cleaning Agents**

Cleaning agents referenced in the table below include:

- Alkaline Detergent:
  - Degreasing agents in general
  - Ammoniac
- Acid Detergent:
  - Descaler
  - o Pickling agent for removing cement residue
- Solvents:
  - o White spirit
  - Nitro diluent
  - o Alcohol
  - Acetone and similar products
- Cream or Powder Detergent:
  - Products for cleaning hard surfaces
- Neutral Detergent:
  - Generic pH-neutral cleaning product



## More Intensive Cleaning -

# Recommended Cleaners by Type of Soil and Surface Finish

TYPE OF SOIL	TEXTURED OR BRUSHED SURFACE	POLISHED SURFACE
Coffee / Tea	neutral detergent	neutral detergent or bleach
Cola	neutral detergent	neutral detergent
Fats	neutral detergent or alkaline detergent	neutral detergent or alkaline detergent
Fruit Juices	neutral detergent	neutral detergent or bleach
Ice Cream	neutral detergent	neutral detergent or bleach
Ketchup or Salsa	neutral detergent, cream detergent or powder detergent	neutral detergent, cream detergent or powder detergent
Lemon	neutral detergent	neutral detergent
Marker	cream detergent or powder detergent	neutral detergent or bleach
Metal Marks	neutral detergent or acid detergent	neutral detergent or acid detergent
Oils	neutral detergent	neutral detergent
Resin	solvent	solvent
Rust or Scale	acid detergent	neutral detergent or acid detergent
Vinegar	neutral detergent	neutral detergent or bleach
Wine	neutral detergent	neutral detergent or bleach