

Granite vs Quartzite

Granite Vs Quartzite; Which Natural Stone Fits Your Kitchen?

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Granite Vs Quartzite is compared in terms of hardness and durability, although these two forms of natural stone are not the same. Quartzite is a popular countertop choice in today's neutral-toned kitchen designs since it comes in trendy shades like light grey and white. It also resembles marble, which many consider being the peak of luxury when it comes to real stone surfaces.

Granite Vs Quartzite; Right Countertop. How to Choose?



Apart from the floor, your kitchen countertop is most likely the most significant surface in your home. It's where you'll prepare family meals, late-night munchies, and kids' school assignments. And, because the kitchen appears to be where guests tend to gather, it's also ideal for entertaining. You may be living with your granite or quartzite countertop for years, so it's important that you get it just right.

Granite Countertop:

Heat Resistance:



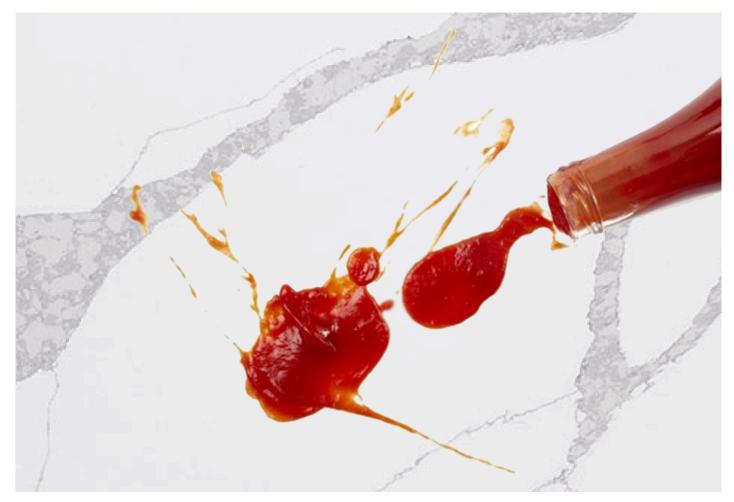
While we still suggest using hot pads or trivets, if you accidentally set a hot pan on the countertop, it will not be harmed or discoloured.

Scratch Resistance:



While we don't recommend slicing vegetables directly on the countertop surface, even the busiest of cooks should not get scratches.

Stain Resistance:



While you should always wipe up spills as soon as possible, especially with acidic liquids like vinegar or tomato sauce, a granite countertop repels stains when a natural-stone sealer is applied on a regular basis.

Low Maintenance:



All you need to keep a granite countertop clean is a gentle cleaner and a soft towel.

Return on Investment:



It's common knowledge that granite countertops improve a home's value and help it sell faster.

Colours and Patterns:



Granite comes in a variety of colours, ranging from white to dark brown, as well as unique tones of rusty- or rose-red or grey stained with blue or grey. Patterns vary in complexity, from subtle to bold and spectacular.



Quartzite Countertop:

Durability:



Quartzite has the same hardness as granite and, unlike granite and marble, will not etch when exposed to acidic solutions. It is stain resistant, although not as much as granite, particularly light-colored counters.

Care and Maintenance:



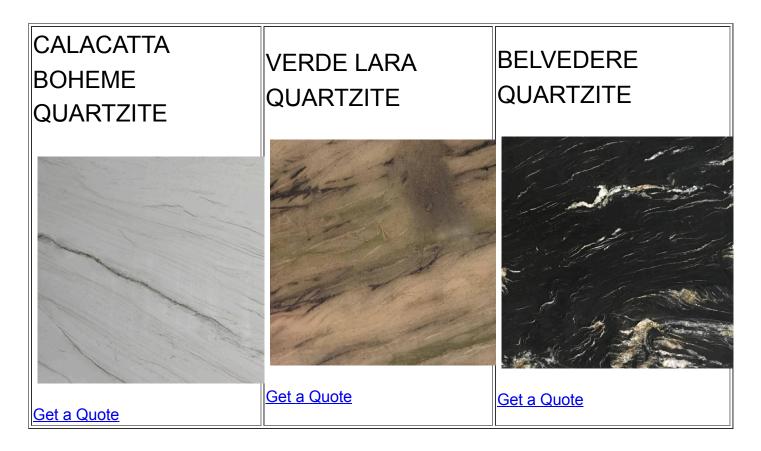
A basic cleaner is sufficient for daily care. Use a cleanser designed for natural stone for more thorough cleaning. Quartzite counters must be sealed on a regular basis to remain water and stain-resistant. They will, however, remain beautiful for decades if properly cared for.

Colours and Patterns:

The most common quartzite colours are creamy-white, mild grey, and beige. These frequently mimic marble, with comparable veining patterns, so you can achieve the look of natural marble without the expensive care. Darker and more exotic colours, such as blue and pink, are also available.

Countertop Edges:

Because quartzite is slightly softer than granite, your fabricator can easily personalise it with a different countertop edge.



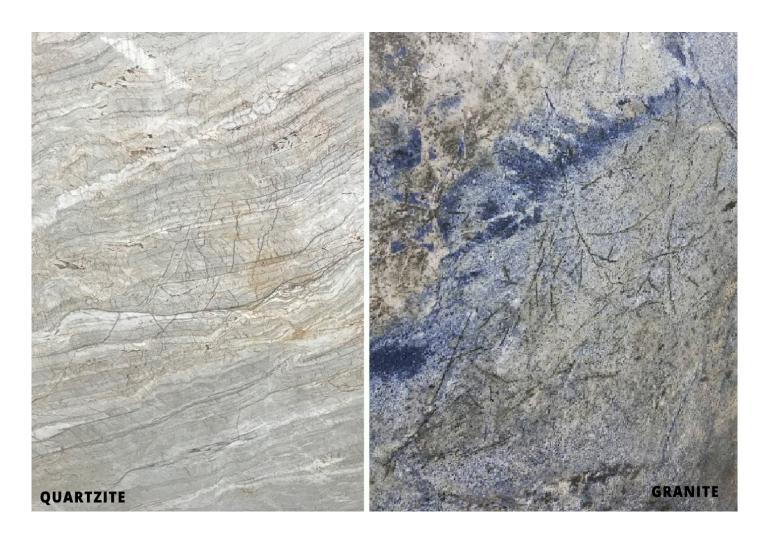
Comparison of the Two Stones; Granite vs Quartzite:

Formation:



Quartzite is formed when sandstone with a high quartz concentration is subjected to extreme heat and pressure. Natural stone is one of the highest density materials you will come across. When magma cools underground, it forms granite. This allows for the formation of massive mineral crystals. Granite gets its colour from such crystals.

Variation:



Quartzite is commonly found in white and grey tints, but there are additional quartzite colours. Colour variations are caused by differences in mineral content. Granite comes in a variety of styles, and some can even mimic the appearance of other natural stones such as marble. You will be able to select from hundreds of different granite styles.

Appearance:

Quartzite will add an attractive touch to your countertop. The appearance of the stone has been compared to that of marble.

<u>Granite</u> will add a fashionable touch to your countertop, especially if you use it in the kitchen. Natural stone adds instant appeal to every room in the house where it is used.

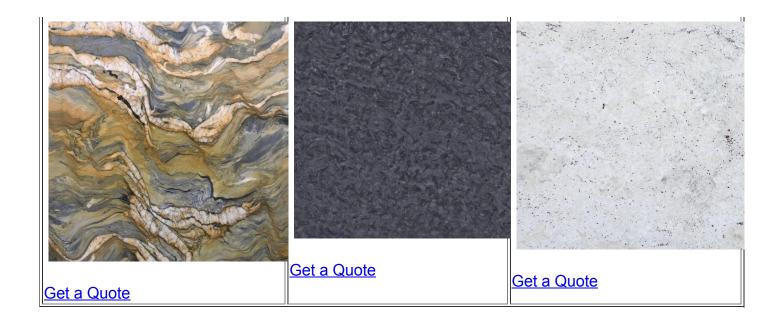
Durability



Quartzite is one of the most durable countertop materials available. It is resistant to heat, scratches, and stains, making it ideal for use in the kitchen.

Granite is a relatively durable material in and of itself, making it a popular choice in many kitchens. Despite the fact that it can damage sharp knives used on the surface, you should not cut directly on the countertop.

GOLDEN FUSION	MATRIX GRANITE	COLONIAL WHITE
QUARTZITE		GRANITE



Characteristics of Granite Vs Quartzite

The Proportion of Quartz in Them

Yes, granite contains quartz crystals, but not as many as quartzite, and it is from this component that they draw their strength.

Durability of Granite vs Quartzite

Quartzite is a very strong stone, even harder than granite, as a result of the metamorphic process's intense pressure and heat. This makes it more resistant to wear and tear than other stones, and scratching its surface would need the use of glass.

Granite is also known for its strength, and crushed granite is utilised as a base for construction slabs and foundations in addition to kitchen counters.

Variation in Colour

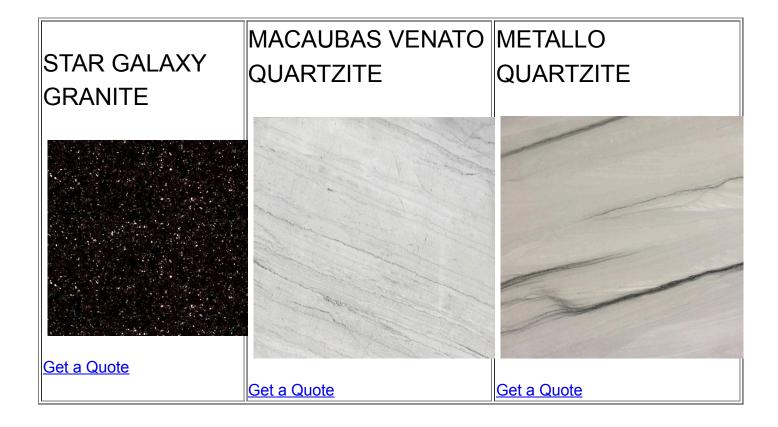
This is where granite completely beats quartzite. Granite comes in a much wider range of colours than quartzite. Saint Cecilia Gold Granite is a particular colour that is a combination of brown, beige, black, and gold. The golden tones are more noticeable when lit, and it's a great piece to put outside or in the kitchen where the sun shines on the counters.

Quartzite, on the other hand, is primarily white and grey in colour, with a few slight variants. The beauty of granite and quartzite as natural stones is that they both have distinct patterns

and no two slabs are alike.

Cost of Quartzite Vs Granite

Quartzite is more expensive than granite because it is rare. Other factors that influence the price are the scarcity of a specific slab and your location; it may be more expensive to get the stone in your area.



Maintenance of Granite and Quartzite:

The maintenance for both of these stones is the same and simple. First, check that they are sealed, and get it done every few years depending on how porous your counters are. Aside from that, all you have to do when the countertops are dirty is wash them with soapy water and wipe them dry. For sticky and oily things, scrape with a soapy sponge and then wipe dry.

Unique Granite and Quartzite



Granite and quartzite are both one-of-a-kind natural stones. Not only from each other but also from one stone to the next. The variability in natural stone is endless in the sense that the colours change and the patterns are never completely the same. This means that when you choose your granite or quartzite slab, you will be selecting the actual material from which your countertop will be built.

Because the slab you choose in the slab yard is the real stone that will be used in your countertop, you'll want to consider how it will appear once it's cut and shaped for your countertop.

Working with the fabricator and letting them know which elements you appreciate about the slab you've chosen can help them select how to cut the stone the best way. The specialist may be able to cut the sink from a region that you do not mind losing while retaining the portion of stone that you are drawn to.

As we have seen, granite and quartzite are quite similar in that they are both highly hard, porous, and completely unique. Granite and quartzite, on the other hand, are not the same thing.

