

QUARTZ SURFACE: *Cleaning Instructions.*



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Tips & Tricks

By nature, quartz surfaces are attractive, durable, hygienic and easy to clean.

The material is easy to clean because the combination of natural quartz crystals and polymers provides for an especially smooth, pore-free and, as far as possible, dirt-resistant surface.

You can effortlessly remove oil, wine, vinegar, tea, coffee, lemon juice, fruit and vegetable juices, and many more substances from quartz surfaces. The easiest way to remove a fresh stain is to wash it away with a moist cloth. We recommend that you clean soiled surfaces within 24 hours. For greasy or oily stains, alkaline cleaners such as **Frosch® Orange** have proven to be of value.

For stain containing lime substances, we recommend **Cilit Bang®** for cleaning. For dried stains, a squirt of vinegar in water or a commercial vinegar-based cleaner is best.

You can also use the cleaning materials mentioned above. These should be used in connection with a **Scotch Brite®** cleaning sponge **without steel-wool**.

You should be careful to clean using light pressure and a large circular motion. For especially difficult stains, you can also use alcohol or acetone.

Afterwards, rinse the surface **thoroughly with cold water** and rub it clean (if necessary, repeat the procedure again).

Acrylic or nitrogen-based colours and text markers can result in permanent stains and, when possible, you should avoid contacting the surface with these materials. If it should happen unintentionally, use the solvents recommended by the manufacturer

to remove such stains as much as possible. Afterwards, clean the surface thoroughly with vinegar or household cleaners as described above.

Normal household chemicals generally cause no problems for quartz surfaces. Avoid contact with strong abrasive liquids or bleach, dyes, battery acids, aggressive solvents, colour removers, fluorides, dichloromethane, sodium hydroxide, etching compounds, and similar substances.

As quartz surfaces contain nearly 93% natural quartz, the material is highly resistant to scratches. Regardless, we recommend using a cutting board for cutting purposes.

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Important:

Stains must be removed from the surface within 24 hours! Surfaces cleaned using the cleaners listed in the cleaning matrix should be neutralised immediately afterwards with clear water or normal household cleaner.

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Matte decors have a pore-free, smooth surface that cannot be penetrated by normal household substances. However, on matte surface, fingerprints, food and oily substances are more visible. In comparison with glossy decors, matte surfaces require more cleaning. Quartz surfaces are not affected by heat. For pots and pans that are extremely hot and moved directly from the oven or stove to the worktop, please use coasters.

Cleaning Matrix

First of all, you should remove larger, more evident stains or raised spots that you can feel from the surface using an appropriate scraper (such as a ceramic stovetop scraper).

The numbers in the matrix list the order in which the cleaning materials are to be used!

Cleaning Material	Cilit Bang®	Frosch® Universal-Cleaner	Aceton	Klorix	Acrysol	Radical-Graffiti Paint-Remover	
Stains							
Red wine		1		2			
Lime							
Oil/Grease		1		2			
Fingernail polish							
Silicon			2		1		
WD40 silicon spray			2		1		
Candle wax							
Glue			2		1		
Crusts and burned food							
Lipstick		1		2			
Hair dye		1				2	

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Hygiene Protection

On unprotected worktops in the kitchen, bacteria can double every 20 minutes.

Quartz surface worktops from **SILESTONE®** offer an integrated hygiene protection from **Microban®** that prevents the spread of bacteria.

The integrated **Microban®** hygiene protection is included in the quartz surface sheets when they are manufactured and cannot be washed out or worn away.



The hygiene protection is spread evenly throughout the product and offers overall protection, even in areas that are difficult to reach or clean.

The high performance of the integrated hygiene protection of **Microban®** improves the quality of our **SILESTONE®** products significantly.

To provide the best hygiene protection possible, microbiology research centres continually test the effectiveness of **Microban®**.

Microban® is not a cleaning substitute, but it contributes to a hygienic environment.

This hygiene protection lasts for a long as your worktop is in use.

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