

# Treating Blue Pearl

Blue Pearl is a hard stone that belongs to the group of syenites. The crystals embedded into this unique material reflect light and produce a sparkling look. This optical effect is best seen on polished materials. As with every other natural stone, adequate treatment and care are essential to maintaining the stone's appearance for many years.

#### **General Notes**



Please note that some varieties of this material react sensitively around the edges of the crystals. These sensitive edges are attacked by acidic substances, such as vinegar, lemon juice, ketchup, wine, acidic cleaners, etc. Avoid contact with such sub-

stances on polished or honed surfaces.

## **Before Grouting**

Apply the impregnator intended for the finishing treatment prior to grouting. This pre-treatment acts as a grout release and greatly facilitates removing cement and mortar residues

 $\Delta$  Please note that cement residue removers are acid based. They are therefore not suitable for polished and honed surfaces. Thoroughly washing the surface with water directly after grouting is therefore essential.

# **Initial Cleaning**



Scrub or wipe the surface with Lithofin MN Power-Clean diluted 1:10 to receive a clear and clean surface.



Light cement residues from the grouting material on polished and honed surfaces: Apply Lithofin MN Power-Clean diluted 1:3 and allow the solution to work for approx. 10 minutes. Carefully remove the residues with a white nylon pad and without applying pressure.

#### Other Types of Dirt

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	Lithofin MN Power-Clean
residues	
Tar, wax, sealants	Lithofin WAX-OFF
Oil stains	Lithofin OIL-EX
Calcium deposits	Lithofin MN Power-Clean and
	a white nylon pad

# **Protective Treatment**

Areas sensitive to staining like floors, tables, kitchen work tops, etc. should be treated with a protective impregnator. This treatment will render the surface water and oil repellent. The treatment prevents staining and makes maintenance cleaning easier.

## The Professional Solution

Lithofin MN Stain-Stop is the ideal protective treatment. The solvent based impregnator protects all natural stone surfaces and does not change the appearance.

Lithofin STAINSTOP >W< is the water based alternative and ideally suited for surfaces in inhabited buildings where the smell of organic solvents is unwanted.



△ **Please note:** all impregnators can only be applied to completely dried out surfaces. We highly recommend testing the product in a small area or on a cut-off.

The application is simple: apply with a mop or a wide brush and allow the treatment to sink into the surface. Before drying (approx. 15 minutes), remove all excess product by towelling off.

Impregnators do not protect against acidic substances. Refreshing the treatment after appprox. 3 years is recommended.



# **Regular Maintenance**



On surfaces subject to normal wear wiping the surface with a mop is sufficient. Add one squirt (approx. 20ml) of Lithofin MN Wash&Clean to the washing water to clean and maintain the surface in one simple operation.

Strong degreasing or leaching products are not suitable.

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







 $\Delta$  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

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