

# ZEITRAUM



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### **MARBLE IS A HIGH-QUALITY NATURAL STONE**

#### **Material information**

Marble is a crystalline limestone that consists mainly of calcium carbonate and is therefore naturally white in colour. However, it owes its beauty and identity to natural deposits such as debris and foliage that have formed over millions of years through metamorphosis. Iron hydroxides cause yellow to brown discolourations. Graphite and coal colour marble rocks brown-black, while green varieties are due to minerals such as olivine or serpentine. The natural material shows colour variations in the subsurface, in the veins and in the stone's own discolouration.

Due to its natural formation, each marble slab has an individual grain. In combination with the crystalline structure and matt lustre, hardly any other material can match the elegance of marble. As a natural stone, marble exhibits natural variations in colour and structure, it can have open veins, pores and cracks.

Surfaces can change over time, but they retain the uniqueness of the material. This makes them even more unique and valuable. In Italy and all over the world, there are numerous examples of marvellous marble surfaces that still amaze us today.

#### **Surface Finish**

The natural stones in the ZEITRAUM collection have a brushed, matt surface. This special treatment preserves the natural, velvety texture of the marble. In addition, the natural stones are impregnated with a stain repellent, but this does not provide complete protection against stains.

## ZEITRAUM MARBLE COLLECTION



### **Aurisina Fiorita**

Origin: Trieste, Italy

The striking feature of Aurisina Fiorita is the presence of white and brown fossils. Aurisina marble takes its name from a picturesque village near Trieste where it is quarried.

Brushed, matt surface impregnated with stain protector

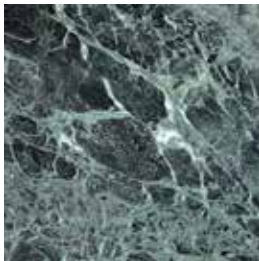


### **Bruno Perla**

Origin: Turkey

Bruno Perla is characterised by its rich and striking dark brown colouring. A characteristic feature is the complex veining of light and dark gold tones, which create a dynamic and textured appearance.

Brushed, matt surface impregnated with stain protector



### **Verde Alpi**

Origin: Val d'Aosta, Italy

Luxurious green marble from the Italian Alps. The stone has white and dark green colour tones, which are complemented by white veins.

The opulence and vibrancy of the marble make it a favourite among designers. Brushed, matt surface impregnated with stain protector

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#### **Care instructions for marble**

Dust the surface regularly with a soft, lint-free cloth. Always clean and maintain the surface using circular movements to avoid streaking. Keep natural stone away from strong heat sources, as these can change the appearance of the surface. Protect from abrasion, moisture and other external influences to avoid permanent damage. Protect the surface of marble by using coasters. If rough scratches have occurred, contact a specialist to remove them. Treat the marble with care and you will be able to enjoy this beautiful natural stone for a long time.

#### **Impregnating the surface**

The stain protection should be refreshed regularly. As soon as the water stops running off the surface and starts absorbing it, reapply the stain repellent to the entire surface according to the manufacturer's instructions. Then rub the surface dry to remove any residual moisture.

We recommend Lithofin Stain protection.

#### **Avoid film-forming oils**

We advise against the use of household remedies such as film-forming sun or baby oils, which are sometimes recommended to restore the shine to dull marble. The marble may shine again in the short term, but in the long term the oil will be absorbed into the open-pored natural stone and bind dust and dirt particles. As a result, the marble will become increasingly unsightly over time. Only use professional natural stone maintenance products.

## **DIRT AND GRIME**

### **TREATMENT OF STAINS**

#### **Cleaning with water**

If dry cleaning is not sufficient, use a soft cotton cloth, lukewarm water and a mild detergent. Clean the surface in a circular motion with the damp cloth. Remove any moisture residue with a clean cloth so that no stains appear on the marble surface. Then polish with a dry cloth.

If the surface is very dirty, carefully soak the affected areas with a little distilled water. This allows dirt particles to penetrate deeper into the stone layers and become less visible on the surface.

#### **ATTENTION!**

Dirt and spilt liquids should be removed quickly. Marble is extremely sensitive to acids and oils as they attack the lime in the natural stone. Just one drop of vinegar, red wine or fruit acid on a natural stone tabletop will quickly damage the marble surface. Never use steel wool, scouring pads or acidic or corrosive cleaning products, as they will attack the surface and cause permanent damage to the stone.

#### **Do not use:**

- Limescale cleaner
- Strong surfactant cleaners
- Aggressive chemicals
- Scouring products
- Solvent
- Steel wool or pot cleaner
- Sharp or pointed objects
- Blades or knives