# Care and Maintenance



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Radianz<sup>®</sup> Quartz Surfaces are durable products that will last for many years with simple care. Please follow these instructions herein to maintain your Radianz<sup>®</sup> Quartz Surfaces product.

## **Everyday Care**

On a routine basis, simply wipe the surface using a clean, soft cloth or sponge with a mile dish-soap diluted in warm water. Polished Radianz<sup>®</sup> has low porosity and, therefore, does not require the use of a surface sealant and is naturally resistant to surface staining from cooking oils, wine, coffee, etc. In most cases, a mild dish-soap and water is enough to keep your Radianz<sup>®</sup> looking clean. Afterwards, thoroughly rinse with clean water and dry with soft cloth or paper towels to prevent spotting. For best results, clean liquid spills and dried foods as soon as possible.

### **Stubborn Stains and Marks**

Apply a non-abrasive household cleaner and rinse to remove residue. For dried liquids, foods and any harden marks, remove by gently scraping the surface with a plastic putty knife or a non-abrasive Scotch-Brite<sup>®</sup> pad and then use a damp cloth to lift any residual stains and marks. NEVER use Methylene Chloride or cleaners containing any alkaline materials.

NOTE: Scraping by a metal blade on the surface will abrade and leave a gray mark on the surface.

### **Preventing Damage**

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**HEAT**: Although Radianz® is more heat resistance than most surfaces around the home, all stone products can be damaged by sudden and extreme temperature changes, especially near the edges. For this reason, always use a hot pad or a trivet with rubber feet to protect Radianz<sup>®</sup>]

**SCRATCHES**: Radianz<sup>®</sup> is substantially harder than natural stone and is highly resistant to scratching. However, avoid damage by refraining from using knives, screw drivers and other sharp objects directly on the surface. Never cut or chop directly on a Radianz<sup>®</sup> surface, always use a cutting/chopping board when preparing foods.

#### CHEMICALS :

- Avoid standing on countertops or dropping heavy objects on the surface.
- Avoid using cleaners that contain Pine Oil without very through rinsing, these products may leave behind a stubborn residue. The pine oil will attract and holds dirt on the surface, eventually reducing the cleanliness of the surface and affecting its appearance.
- Avoid using highly aggressive cleaning agents such as oven/grill cleaners and dishwater polishing agents that have high alkaline/pH levels (pH 8.5 or higher).
- · Avoid using abrasive scrubs and cleaners that contain either soft or hard abrasive particles.
- Avoid using cleaners that contain xylene, toluene, potassium hydroxide or caustic soda.
- Avoid exposing Radianz<sup>®</sup> to strong chemicals such as paint removers, furniture strippers containing trichlorethane or methylene chloride.

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