

MARBLE CHARACTERISTICS & CARE

Branch Home is crazy about its marble! It's a material difference in many of our designs, especially tabletops. Branch Home has sourced marbles that are both lively and lustrous, either honed or polished to preserve the natural veined coloring, pitting and fine marks intrinsic to the stone.

Always remember that by nature (Mother Nature), marble is a porous stone. As such, it may be easily stained, etched, scratched, or chipped. Consider these standard usage guidelines to ensure the marble's long-term beauty and performance '

- Do not place hot items directly on marble tops. Placemats, trivets, and coasters are your friends, warding off ring marks and stains.
- Life happens. If a spill occurs, wipe off immediately, using a mild or organic cleaner or simply a damp cloth.
- Do not address spills with harsh or industrial chemicals, dusting sprays, abrasive cleaners, or furniture polish.
- Do pay particular attention to acidic substance spills, such as coffee, fruit juices, wine, mustard, and tomato sauce. They may cause etching when left for an extended period.
- Do not place or drop sharp objects on marble tabletops. If you must, introduce a protective layer of felt to protect the surface.
- Do dust frequently with a clean, soft cloth.
- Do wash periodically using a cloth dampened with warm water. If necessary, you may introduce a small amount of mild dishwashing liquid. Have a second damp cloth on hand to remove the soap. Complete the cleaning with a soft dry cloth.