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**Frequently Asked Questions About Granite Countertops** 

Q: What's the difference between fabricating by hand and using automated

machinery?

A: Beware of companies cutting, fabricating and polishing by hand. A component of

the hand-method is to use wax to bring out the shine in the edge profile. The wax

finish will usually diminish within 6 to 8 months leaving you with a dull

finish. Uneven fabrication, bumps and crooked lines are typical with hand methods.

Ask your fabricator if they will be fabricating and polishing by hand or by using

automated machinery like Refine Stone Co.,LTD

Q: What is pre-fabricated granite?

A: It is granite pre-cut and fabricated to pieces measuring 96" x 25" that are typically

used for commercial applications.

How do I measure my countertops?



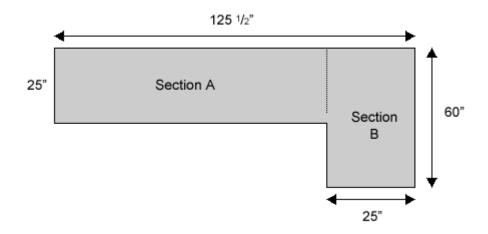
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Draw your dimensions like the drawing above and e-mail or fax them to us. This will help us determine your total square footage and amount of material required.

#### Q: What is the difference between 3CM and 2CM Granite?

A:3CM is **11/4**" thick and 2CM is **3/4**" thick. 3CM is standard for kitchens. 2CM is popular for vanities, table tops, & bars.

#### Q: How much will it cost?

A: The cost of your granite countertops will be based mainly on two things. The amount of square feet your project has & the color of granite you pick. Whether your project will require 1 or 2 slabs can also affect the price. Sinks, Polished Cut Outs & Tear Out and Removal is available.

## Q: Why Granite?

A: Granite is very durable and recommended for any countertop surface. It's a natural stone so no two slabs of granite are alike which gives each kitchen a unique and personal touch. Granite countertops also keep their value better than any other home improvement and increase the re-sale value of any home.

## Q: Do I have to seal my granite countertops?



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A: Sealing granite is optional. Penetrating sealer is used to protect and help prevent staining. Sealing your countertops at least once a year is recommended. Natural stone sealer can be purchased at your local hardware store.

# Q: Will my countertops have a seam/joint?

A: Seam(s) may be necessary depending on countertop layout, slab size, and amount of slabs purchased. Seams are colored to match the color of your granite. So if you have a black colored granite, the seam will also be black.