

# Keeping Natural Stone Beautiful



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A natural stone floor is stunning. Whether you have purchased a home with stone flooring, or have recently installed a beautiful stone floor, your floor is dazzling. Slate, limestone, travertine, marble, agglomerated marble, terrazzo... they all have different characteristics and qualities.

Unfortunately, over time, wear patterns appear, polishes fade and stains or etch marks dull your once radiant floor, fading its splendour.

"We all need a carpet cleaner or a hardwood expert or even a grout care specialist. Stone floors are no different. A stone care professional may be required to keep your floor consistently beautiful," explains Sue Ostrowski of Enviro Clean Grout and Stone Care Inc. ("Enviro Clean"). She says that people do plenty of research into what kind of stone flooring they want, but then once it's installed, they think their floor will withstand daily living. Natural stone requires some form of maintenance care.

Thankfully, Enviro Clean Grout & Stone Care Inc. searches the world to locate the most technologically advanced products for grout and stone care. They can help return dull, etched or scratched floors—marble, travertine, limestone, agglomerated marble and terrazzo—to their previous glory as well as educate customers on floor care after the restoration. "We bring your floor back to a high reflective polish," says Ostrowski. "People need to know their floors aren't ruined!"

How? Enviro Clean is one of the few area companies that specialize in the use of diamond abrasives in the restoration of your stone surfaces. The use of diamonds in the grinding and honing phase of restoration will give you better clarity and more reflectivity after polishing.

Consultations are free, remarks Ostrowski. "It's not that expensive and stone owners are thrilled with their restored living space. The whole room is revitalized and easier to maintain".

Is the same true for slate floors? Can they be brought back to their original intensity?

The answer is yes. Slate floors can be cleaned, stripped and sealed usually within a few days.

Enviro Clean deep cleans the slate tiles and removes oils, dirt or other stains, and then seals the floor using a choice of two different sealers: An enhancing sealer that brings out the colours of the stone, or a high gloss sealer that shares both shiny and enhancing properties.

"Stone floor care is not a mystery. It's very easy to keep a natural stone floor beautiful," explains Ostrowski. "During our consultation, we learn about the ho-

meowners' lifestyles and their floors, we then explain what we can do, how we do it and how long it will take. We also coach our clients about how to properly care for their flooring so that the floors' brilliance lasts for years."

Enviro Clean also cleans and colour seals ceramic floors. "Has your grout changed its appearance?" asks Ostrowski. "Have your cleaning attempts gone unnoticed? Do you want a different grout colour? If so, then we can help!"

Call Enviro Clean Grout and Stone Care Inc. at (780) 417-9080 for a free in-home consultation. Whether it's maintenance or restoration, Enviro Clean can rejuvenate your floor and bring it back to its previous beauty.

