

# Solid Surface Countertops - Care & Maintenance Guide

Solid surface countertops are durable, non-porous, and easy to maintain. Follow these simple guidelines to keep your surfaces looking great for years.

### **Daily Cleaning**

- Wipe regularly with a soft cloth or sponge and mild soap or ammonia-based cleaner.
- Rinse thoroughly and dry to avoid film buildup.
- Avoid strong-colored liquids sitting on the surface to prevent staining.

## **Preventing Damage**

#### **Heat Protection**

- Always use hot pads or trivets under pots, pans, and heat-generating appliances (e.g., curling iron, crockpots).
- Solid surface can withstand brief heat, but prolonged exposure may cause damage or discoloration.

#### **Scratch Prevention**

- Use cutting boards never cut directly on the surface.
- Avoid dragging sharp or heavy objects across the surface.

Stain & Spot Removal	
Type of Finish	Cleaning Tip
Matte	Use a non-abrasive cleaner (like Soft Scrub® or Barkeepers Friend) and a damp sponge. Circular motion works best.
Satin	Same as matte, but use a gentler touch to avoid dulling the finish.

• For **tough stains** (e.g., ink, wine, food coloring), use a diluted bleach solution (1 part bleach to 10 parts water). Rinse immediately.

#### Minor Damage Repair

- Fine scratches or burns can often be buffed out with a Scotch-Brite<sup>™</sup> pad (matte) or refinished professionally.
- Chips or cracks should be **repaired by a certified installer**.

#### Do Not Use

- Harsh chemicals (oven cleaners, acetone, paint removers)
- Strong acids (drain cleaners)
- Abrasive scouring pads (unless recommended for matte finish)
  (test each method in an inconspicuous area first)

With proper care, your solid surface countertops will remain a beautiful and functional part of your home for decades.