

# Countertop Buying Guide

YOUR GUIDE TO THE MOST POPULAR COUNTERTOP MATERIALS.



## Quartz

Quartz countertops are man-made engineered stone countertops produced with a combination of natural quartz and other fillers - resins, polymers, and pigments. Quartz material is one of the hardest surfaces on earth, which makes it a very durable surface material for countertops. As well as a lifetime of product longevity.

Cost **\$\$\$\$\$**  
Style **★★★★★**

## Granite

We love granite for its many colors and dimensional patterns. In fact, it's the most dynamic natural countertop you can get. If you're searching for a truly unique and one-of-a-kind material that will stand out in your kitchen or bath, granite is the way to go. Along with beauty, granite is nearly as durable as quartz and with proper care and maintenance can withstand several generations of use.

Cost **\$\$\$\$\$**  
Style **★★★★★**

## Solid Surface

If you're looking for a stylish option that has the elegance of quartz, without the cost, laminate is the choice for you. For anyone on a tight budget, laminate is an extremely affordable upgrade that comes in a vast array of colors and patterns. As a man-made material, laminate can be crafted to appear similar to your favorite quartz, granite, or marble pattern, and when installed by our talented specialists, your laminate countertop will look beautiful for years.

Cost **\$\$**  
Style **★★★★★**

## Laminate

Another beautiful countertop material that's also budget-friendly, a solid surface countertop is guaranteed to deliver. Solid Surface countertops are ideal for creating custom designs and provide a truly stunning focal point to any space. The material selection offers virtually unlimited colors, patterns, and finishes, making it an excellent choice for homeowners who have a distinct vision for their home.

Cost **\$\$**  
Style **★★★**

## Installation

Working with a qualified and experienced installer is an important part of the countertop buying process. You'll want to search for a company you can trust, and one that you can count on to follow up if they leave you with any questions. We recommend asking the right questions during your vetting process to find an installer near you that can help with your project.

## Maintenance

When it comes to taking care of your countertops, every material needs proper care. Typically, any countertop can be cleaned with a mixture of warm water and mild soap, as long as you avoid any abrasive cleaners. For granite materials, you'll want to have your countertops sealed regularly, as well as for solid surface and laminate. However, quartz countertops don't require any sealing after installation.