

# Material Comparison

	Formica / Laminate	Ceramic Tile	Marble	Butcher Block	Corian	Stainless Steel	Soapstone	Quartz	Granite	Porcelain	Quartzite
Heat resistant		✓	✓			✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Scratch resistant		✓						✓	✓	✓	✓
Visible seams/grout lines	✓	✓	✓	✓			✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Undermount sinks			✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Integrated sinks					✓						
Easily repaired				✓	✓		✓				
Non-porous					✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	
Low maintenance	✓	✓				✓		✓	✓	✓	✓
Average price	\$	\$\$	\$\$\$\$	\$	\$\$	\$\$	\$\$	\$\$\$	\$\$	\$\$\$\$	\$\$\$\$
Wide range of colors	✓	✓			✓			✓	✓	✓	✓
Stain resistant						✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Resistant to chemicals						✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
True green product				✓							
Construction	Made from layers of plastic adhered to particle-board	Made from natural clay, sand and water	Genuine natural stone	Solid wood laminated together with adhesive	Made of acrylic plymer and alumina-trihydrate	Stainless steel	Genuine natural stone	Made from natural quartz and polyester resin	Genuine natural stone	Made from a mix of glass, ceramic and other materials	Genuine natural stone