



Countertop Surfaces: Pros & Cons

	Laminate	Ceramic Tile	Concrete	Slate	Limestone/Travertine	Marble	Wood	Recycled Glass	Solid Surface	Stainless Steel	Soapstone	Quartz	Granite
Heat Resistant		x	x	x	x	x		x		x	x	x	x
Scratch Resistant		x	x	x				x				x	x
Seamless									x	x			
Undermount Sinks				x	x	x		x	x	x	x	x	x
Integrated Sinks									x				
Coved Backsplashes	x								x				
Easily Repaired					x		x		x		x		
Non-Porous									x	x	x	x	
Low Maintenance	x	x		x				x		x		x	x
Affordable	x	x											
Wide Range of Colors	x	x	x					x	x			x	x
Stain Resistant										x	x	x	x
Genuine Natural Stone				x	x	x	x				x		x
Resistant to Chemicals				x				x		x	x	x	x
Solid Structure			x	x	x	x	x	x	x		x	x	x
True Green Product							x	x					



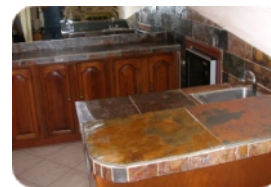
Laminate



Ceramic Tile



Concrete



Slate



Limestone/Travertine



Marble



Wood



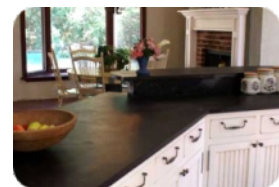
Recycled Glass



Solid Surface



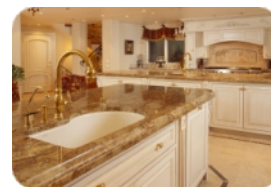
Stainless Steel



Soapstone



Quartz Surface



Granite



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