

SEALER SELECTION GUIDE -2013-

Many of the calls the Australian Stone Advisory Association receives relate to problems which arise after the stone has been installed. A considerable proportion of those calls relate to sealing, cleaning and maintenance.

We decided to produce a basic Sealer Selection Guide in response to requests by contributors and readers of *Discovering Stone*.

We have attempted to make the 'Guide' as relevant as possible by focusing on use of popular products, in specific locations and asking participating companies to nominate appropriate sealers.

However, our guide can only provide readers with basic information. There will always be variables which have to be taken into consideration. Our guide cannot possibly address every possible situation or environment.

Nevertheless, it does provide a valuable reference point and an insight into the available products from some of our leading suppliers. Readers should note that there are more than 50 companies in Australia actively engaged in producing or distributing sealers for natural stone. Our guide largely features materials which have been tried and tested in the marketplace.

Understanding the limitations of sealers is also important. Sealers are designed to improve the natural stain resistance properties of stone – they will not provide 100 per cent protection against all stains in all situations. As an example, an impregnating sealer will not prevent marble or limestone being etched by acidic solutions such as wine or soft drinks; impregnating sealers are designed to reduce the absorption of stains and cannot provide complete protection to the exposed surface. Surface sealers (such as acrylics and polyurethanes) provide excellent surface protection by forming an impermeable barrier. The drawback of this feature is that any moisture below the sealed layer cannot escape and peeling of the coating may follow.

All the participating companies can provide project specific advice. In many instances they also recommend approved applicators. Each entry features the company's phone number and website address.

We urge readers to seek precise advice before commencing the installation process, the information published overleaf is a useful guide which is designed to encourage users to identify the right sealer and maintenance programme before the stone is laid.

ASAA CEO
Anthony Stock

Readers who wish to download a copy of our guide can do so at www.infotile.com where it is located under 'Sealing & Maintenance' in the stone section of 'Archived Articles' which can be accessed under the Advice button on the homepage.

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PREMIUM STAIN RESISTANT IMPREGNATING SEALERS

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STONE / FINISH	PRIME LOCATIONS	ACTICHEM (Applied products) 1800 108 800	AQUA MIX (Construction Technologies Aust) 02 9674 1004	AQUA-SEAL STC™ (Stone, Tile & Concrete Solutions) 02 9521 4000
GRANITE ● POLISHED [1] ● HONED [2] ● EXFOLIATED [3] ● BLASTED [4] ● BUSH-HAMMERED [5] ● SAWN/SPLIT FINISH [6] ● SATIN / ANTIQUE [7]	External paving/ramps/stairs	API76 Solv Sealer Gold [ALL] AP672 Aquaseal SV [2,3,4,5,6]	Sealers Choice Gold RC [1-7] Enrich & Seal [1-7] Ultra-Solv [1-7]	Aqua-Seal Gold+™ (Natural Look) [1-7] Ultra-Block™ (Six Sided Sealing) [1-7] Enhance'N'Seal+™ (Enhanced Look) [1-7]
	Hotels, offices, public buildings	API76 Solv Sealer Gold [ALL] API77 Stone Sealer Gold [2,3,4,5,6]		
	Shopping centre – walkway			
	Food court/Fast food outlets			
	Toilet facilities – public places			
	Swimming pool surrounds	API76 Solv Sealer Gold [ALL] AP672 Aquaseal SV [2,3,4,5,6]		
Bench and vanity tops	API76 Solv Sealer Gold [ALL] API75 Solv Sealer Pro [ALL]			
MARBLE ● POLISHED [1] ● HONED [2] ○ EXFOLIATED [NA] ● BLASTED [4] ● BUSH-HAMMERED [5] ● SAWN/SPLIT FINISH [6] ● SATIN / ANTIQUE [7]	Hotels, offices, public places	API76 Solv Sealer Gold [ALL] API77 Stone Sealer Gold [2,4,5,6] API75 Solv Sealer Pro [ALL]	Sealers Choice Gold RC [1-7] Enrich & Seal [1-7] Ultra-Solv [1-7]	Aqua-Seal Gold+™ (Natural Look) [1-7] Ultra-Block™ (Six Sided Sealing) [1-7] Enhance'N'Seal+™ (Enhanced Look) [1-7]
	Shopping centre – walkway			
	Food court/Fast food outlets			
	Toilet facilities – public places			
	Residential living areas			
	Bath and shower rooms	API76 Solv Sealer Gold [ALL] API75 Solv Sealer Pro [ALL]		
Bench and vanity tops				
LIMESTONE ● POLISHED [1] ● HONED [2] ○ EXFOLIATED [NA] ● BLASTED [4] ● BUSH-HAMMERED [5] ● SAWN/SPLIT FINISH [6] ● SATIN / ANTIQUE [7]	External paving/ramps/stairs	API76 Solv Sealer Gold [ALL] API77 Stone Sealer Gold [2,4,5,6] API75 Solv Sealer Pro [ALL]	Sealers Choice Gold RC [1-7] Enrich & Seal [1-7]	Aqua-Seal Gold+™ (Natural Look) [1-7] Ultra-Block™ (Six Sided Sealing) [1-7] Enhance'N'Seal+™ (Enhanced Look) [1-7]
	Hotels, offices, public places			
	Toilet facilities – public places			
	Residential living areas			
	Bath and shower rooms	API76 Solv Sealer Gold [ALL] API75 Solv Sealer Pro [ALL]	Sealers Choice Gold RC [1-7]	
	Construction stone	API76 Solv Sealer Gold [ALL] API77 Stone Sealer Gold [ALL] API75 Solv Sealer Pro [ALL]	Sealers Choice Gold RC [1-7] Enrich & Seal [1-7]	
TRAVERTINE ○ POLISHED [1] ● HONED [2] ○ EXFOLIATED [NA] ● BLASTED [4] ● BUSH-HAMMERED [5] ● SAWN/SPLIT FINISH [6] ● SATIN / ANTIQUE [7]	External paving/ramps/stairs	API76 Solv Sealer Gold [ALL] API77 Stone Sealer Gold [ALL] API75 Solv Sealer Pro [ALL]	Sealers Choice Gold RC [1-7] Enrich & Seal [1-7]	Aqua-Seal Gold+™ (Natural Look) [1-7] Ultra-Block™ (Six Sided Sealing) [1-7] Enhance'N'Seal+™ (Enhanced Look) [1-7]
	Hotels, offices, public places			
	Swimming pool surrounds	AP672 Aquaseal SV [ALL] API77 Stone Sealer Gold [ALL]	Sealers Choice Gold RC [1-7]	
	Residential living areas	API76 Solv Sealer Gold [ALL] API77 Stone Sealer Gold [ALL] API75 Solv Sealer Pro [ALL]	Sealers Choice Gold RC [1-7] Enrich & Seal [1-7]	
	Bath and shower rooms	API76 Solv Sealer Gold [ALL] API75 Solv Sealer Pro [ALL]		
BLUESTONE ○ POLISHED [1] ● HONED [2] ○ EXFOLIATED [NA] ● BLASTED [4] ● BUSH-HAMMERED [5] ● SAWN/SPLIT FINISH [6] ● SATIN / ANTIQUE [7]	External paving/ramps/stairs	API76 Solv Sealer Gold [ALL] API77 Stone Sealer Gold [ALL] API75 Solv Sealer Pro [ALL]	Sealers Choice Gold RC [1-7] Enrich & Seal [1-7]	Aqua-Seal Gold+™ (Natural Look) [1-7] Ultra-Block™ (Six Sided Sealing) [1-7] Enhance'N'Seal+™ (Enhanced Look) [1-7]
	Hotels, offices, public buildings			
	Swimming pool surrounds	AP672 Aquaseal SV [ALL] API77 Stone Sealer Gold [ALL]	Sealers Choice Gold RC [1-7]	
	Residential living areas	API76 Solv Sealer Gold [ALL] API77 Stone Sealer Gold [ALL] API75 Solv Sealer Pro [ALL]	Sealers Choice Gold RC [1-7] Enrich & Seal [1-7]	
	Bath and shower rooms	API76 Solv Sealer Gold [ALL] API75 Solv Sealer Pro [ALL]		
	Shopping centres – walkway	API76 Solv Sealer Gold [ALL] API77 Stone Sealer Gold [ALL] API75 Solv Sealer Pro [ALL]		
SANDSTONE ● SAWN/SPLIT FINISH [6]	External paving/ramps/stairs	API76 Solv Sealer Gold [ALL] API77 Stone Sealer Gold [ALL] AP672 Aquaseal SV [ALL]	Sealers Choice Gold RC [6]	Aqua-Seal Gold+™ (Natural Look) [6] Ultra-Block™ (Six Sided Sealing) [6] Enhance'N'Seal+™ (Enhanced Look) [6]
	Hotels, offices, public places			
	Swimming pool surrounds	AP672 Aquaseal SV [ALL] API77 Stone Sealer Gold [ALL]		
	Façades /construction		Sealers Choice Gold RC [6] Penetrating Sealer [6]	
SLATE ● SAWN/SPLIT FINISH [6] ● SATIN / ANTIQUE [7]	External paving/ramps/stairs	API76 Solv Sealer Gold [ALL] API77 Stone Sealer Gold [ALL] AP672 Aquaseal SV [ALL]	Sealers Choice Gold RC [6,7] Enrich & Seal [6,7]	Aqua-Seal Gold+™ (Natural Look) [6-7] Gloss'N'Seal™ (Gloss Finish) [6-7] Enhance'N'Seal+™ (Enhanced Look) [6-7]
	Hotels, offices, public places	API76 Solv Sealer Gold [6,7] AP420 Protect n Seal [6,7]	Sealers Choice Gold RC [6,7] Seal 'N' Finish Low Sheen [6,7]	
	Swimming pool surrounds	API76 Solv Sealer Gold [ALL] API77 Stone Sealer Gold [ALL] AP672 Aquaseal SV [ALL]	Sealers Choice Gold RC [6,7]	
	Residential living areas	API76 Solv Sealer Gold [ALL] AP416 Protector 4198 [ALL]	Sealers Choice Gold RC [6,7] Seal 'N' Finish Low Sheen [6,7]	

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DUPONT, STONETECH®
(Sareen Stone)
02 9661 9111

STONE / FINISH	PRIME LOCATIONS	DRY TREAT	DUPONT, STONETECH® (Sareen Stone)	
GRANITE <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● POLISHED [1] ● HONED [2] ● EXFOLIATED [3] ● BLASTED [4] ● BUSH-HAMMERED [5] ● SAWN/SPLIT FINISH [6] ● SATIN / ANTIQUE [7] 	External paving/ramps/stairs	STAIN-PROOF™, METACRÈME™, ENHANCE-PLUS™	Heavy Duty Exterior Sealer [2,3,4,5,6,7], Enhancer Pro [ALL], Paver Sealer & Enhancer [ALL]	
	Hotels, offices, public buildings		Heavy Duty Sealer [ALL], Enhancer Pro [ALL], Paver Sealer & Enhancer [ALL]	
	Shopping centre – walkway			
	Food court/Fast food outlets		BulletProof® Sealer [ALL], Enhancer Pro [ALL], Paver Sealer & Enhancer [ALL]	
	Toilet facilities – public places			
	Swimming pool surrounds		Salt Water Resistant Sealer [2,3,4,5,6,7], Heavy Duty Exterior Sealer [2,3,4,5,6,7], Enhancer Pro [ALL], Paver Sealer & Enhancer [ALL]	
Bench and vanity tops		STAIN-PROOF™ Plus	BulletProof® Sealer [ALL], Enhancer Pro [ALL], Paver Sealer & Enhancer [ALL]	
MARBLE <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● POLISHED [1] ● HONED [2] ○ EXFOLIATED [NA] ● BLASTED [4] ● BUSH-HAMMERED [5] ● SAWN/SPLIT FINISH [6] ● SATIN / ANTIQUE [7] 	Hotels, offices, public places	STAIN-PROOF™, METACRÈME™, ENHANCE-PLUS™	Heavy Duty Exterior Sealer [ALL], Enhancer Pro [ALL], Paver Sealer & Enhancer [ALL]	
	Shopping centre – walkway			
	Food court/Fast food outlets		BulletProof® Sealer [ALL], Enhancer Pro [ALL], Paver Sealer & Enhancer [ALL]	
	Toilet facilities – public places			
	Residential living areas		Heavy Duty Sealer [ALL], Enhancer Pro [ALL], Paver Sealer & Enhancer [ALL]	
	Bath and shower rooms		BulletProof® Sealer [ALL], Enhancer Pro [ALL], Paver Sealer & Enhancer [ALL]	
Bench and vanity tops		STAIN-PROOF™ Plus, Vitremela™	Heavy Duty Sealer [ALL], Enhancer Pro [ALL], Paver Sealer & Enhancer [ALL]	
LIMESTONE <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● POLISHED [1] ● HONED [2] ○ EXFOLIATED [NA] ● BLASTED [4] ● BUSH-HAMMERED [5] ● SAWN/SPLIT FINISH [6] ● SATIN / ANTIQUE [7] 	External paving/ramps/stairs	STAIN-PROOF™, METACRÈME™, ENHANCE-PLUS™	Heavy Duty Exterior Sealer [2,3,4,5,6,7], Enhancer Pro [ALL], Paver Sealer & Enhancer [ALL]	
	Hotels, offices, public places		Heavy Duty Sealer [ALL], Enhancer Pro [ALL], Paver Sealer & Enhancer [ALL]	
	Toilet facilities – public places		BulletProof® Sealer [ALL], Enhancer Pro [ALL], Paver Sealer & Enhancer [ALL]	
	Residential living areas		Heavy Duty Sealer [ALL], Enhancer Pro [ALL], Paver Sealer & Enhancer [ALL]	
	Bath and shower rooms		STAIN-PROOF™, METACRÈME™, DRY-TREAT 40SK™, ENHANCE-PLUS™	BulletProof® Sealer [ALL], Enhancer Pro [ALL], Paver Sealer & Enhancer [ALL]
	Construction stone		STAIN-PROOF™, METACRÈME™, ENHANCE-PLUS™	
TRAVERTINE <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ POLISHED [1] ● HONED [2] ○ EXFOLIATED [NA] ● BLASTED [4] ● BUSH-HAMMERED [5] ● SAWN/SPLIT FINISH [6] ● SATIN / ANTIQUE [7] 	External paving/ramps/stairs	STAIN-PROOF™, METACRÈME™, ENHANCE-PLUS™	Heavy Duty Exterior Sealer [ALL], Enhancer Pro [ALL], Paver Sealer & Enhancer [ALL]	
	Hotels, offices, public places		Heavy Duty Sealer [ALL], Enhancer Pro [ALL], Paver Sealer & Enhancer [ALL]	
	Swimming pool surrounds		STAIN-PROOF™, DRY-TREAT 40SK™, ENHANCE-PLUS™, METACRÈME™	Salt Water Resistant Sealer [ALL] or Heavy Duty Exterior Sealer [ALL], Enhancer Pro [ALL], Paver Sealer & Enhancer [ALL]
	Residential living areas		STAIN-PROOF™, METACRÈME™, ENHANCE-PLUS™	Heavy Duty Sealer [ALL], Enhancer Pro [ALL], Paver Sealer & Enhancer [ALL]
	Bath and shower rooms		STAIN-PROOF™, METACRÈME™, DRY-TREAT 40SK™, ENHANCE-PLUS™	BulletProof® Sealer [ALL], Enhancer Pro [ALL], Paver Sealer & Enhancer [ALL]
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	Hotels, offices, public buildings		Heavy Duty Sealer [ALL], Enhancer Pro [ALL], Paver Sealer & Enhancer [ALL]	
	Swimming pool surrounds		Salt Water Resistant Sealer [ALL] or Heavy Duty Exterior Sealer [ALL], Enhancer Pro [ALL], Paver Sealer & Enhancer [ALL]	
	Residential living areas		Heavy Duty Sealer [ALL], Enhancer Pro [ALL], Paver Sealer & Enhancer [ALL]	
	Bath and shower rooms		BulletProof® Sealer [ALL], Enhancer Pro [ALL], Paver Sealer & Enhancer [ALL]	
	Shopping centres – walkway		Heavy Duty Sealer [ALL], Enhancer Pro [ALL], Paver Sealer & Enhancer [ALL]	
SANDSTONE <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● SAWN/SPLIT FINISH [6] 	External paving/ramps/stairs	STAIN-PROOF™, METACRÈME™, ENHANCE-PLUS™	Heavy Duty Exterior Sealer [ALL], Enhancer Pro [ALL], Paver Sealer & Enhancer [ALL]	
	Hotels, offices, public places		Heavy Duty Sealer [ALL], Enhancer Pro [ALL], Paver Sealer & Enhancer [ALL]	
	Swimming pool surrounds		STAIN-PROOF™, METACRÈME™, DRY-TREAT 40SK™, ENHANCE-PLUS™	Salt Water Resistant Sealer [ALL] or Heavy Duty Exterior Sealer [ALL], Enhancer Pro [ALL], Paver Sealer & Enhancer [ALL]
	Façades /construction		STAIN-PROOF™, METACRÈME™, ENHANCE-PLUS™	Heavy Duty Exterior Sealer [ALL], Enhancer Pro [ALL], Paver Sealer & Enhancer [ALL]
SLATE <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● SAWN/SPLIT FINISH [6] ● SATIN / ANTIQUE [7] 	External paving/ramps/stairs	STAIN-PROOF™, METACRÈME™, ENHANCE-PLUS™	Heavy Duty Exterior Sealer [ALL], Enhancer Pro [ALL], Paver Sealer & Enhancer [ALL]	
	Hotels, offices, public places		Heavy Duty Sealer [ALL], Enhancer Pro [ALL], Paver Sealer & Enhancer [ALL]	
	Swimming pool surrounds		Salt Water Resistant Sealer [ALL] or Heavy Duty Exterior Sealer [ALL], Enhancer Pro [ALL], Paver Sealer & Enhancer [ALL]	
	Residential living areas		Heavy Duty Sealer [ALL], Enhancer Pro [ALL], Paver Sealer & Enhancer [ALL]	

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(CDK Stone)
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**SOLUTION SEALERS
for Stone & Tile
1300 4 STONE (78663)**

STONE / FINISH	PRIME LOCATIONS	LITHOFIN (CDK Stone) 03 8552 6000	SOLUTION SEALERS for Stone & Tile 1300 4 STONE (78663)	
GRANITE <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● POLISHED [1] ● HONED [2] ● EXFOLIATED [3] ● BLASTED [4] ● BUSH-HAMMERED [5] ● SAWN/SPLIT FINISH [6] ● SATIN / ANTIQUE [7] 	External paving/ramps/stairs	MN Stain-Stop [ALL] Stain-Stop >W< [ALL] Stain-Stop PLUS [2,3,4,5,6,7] MN Colour-Intensifier [2,3,4,5,6,7]	PROTEX [1,7] QUANTUM [2,3,4,5,6] INFUSE [2,3,4,5,6]	
	Hotels, offices, public buildings			
	Shopping centre – walkway			
	Food court/Fast food outlets			
	Toilet facilities – public places			
	Swimming pool surrounds			
	Bench and vanity tops			
MARBLE <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● POLISHED [1] ● HONED [2] ○ EXFOLIATED [NA] ● BLASTED [4] ● BUSH-HAMMERED [5] ● SAWN/SPLIT FINISH [6] ● SATIN / ANTIQUE [7] 	Hotels, offices, public places	MN Stain-Stop [ALL] Stain-Stop >W< [2,3,4,5,6,7] Stain-Stop PLUS [2,3,4,5,6,7] MAN Colour-Intensifier [2,3,4,5,6,7]	PROTEX [ALL] PRISTINE – WB [2,4,5,6,7]	
	Shopping centre – walkway			
	Food court/Fast food outlets			
	Toilet facilities – public places			
	Residential living areas			
	Bath and shower rooms			
	Bench and vanity tops			
LIMESTONE <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● POLISHED [1] ● HONED [2] ○ EXFOLIATED [NA] ● BLASTED [4] ● BUSH-HAMMERED [5] ● SAWN/SPLIT FINISH [6] ● SATIN / ANTIQUE [7] 	External paving/ramps/stairs	MN Stain-Stop [ALL] MN Stain-Stop ECO [ALL] Stain-Stop PLUS [2,3,4,5,6,7] MN Colour-Intensifier [2,3,4,5,6,7]	PROTEX [1,7] QUANTUM [2,3,4,5,6] PRISTINE – WB [2,4,5,6,7]	
	Hotels, offices, public places			
	Toilet facilities – public places			
	Residential living areas			
	Bath and shower rooms			
	Construction stone			
	TRAVERTINE <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ POLISHED [1] ● HONED [2] ○ EXFOLIATED [NA] ● BLASTED [4] ● BUSH-HAMMERED [5] ● SAWN/SPLIT FINISH [6] ● SATIN / ANTIQUE [7] 	External paving/ramps/stairs	MN Stain-Stop [ALL] Stain-Stop >W< [ALL]	PROTEX [ALL] QUANTUM [2,3,4,5,6] INFUSE [2,3,4,5,6]
Hotels, offices, public places				
Swimming pool surrounds				
Residential living areas				
Bath and shower rooms				
BLUESTONE <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ POLISHED [1] ● HONED [2] ○ EXFOLIATED [NA] ● BLASTED [4] ● BUSH-HAMMERED [5] ● SAWN/SPLIT FINISH [6] ● SATIN / ANTIQUE [7] 		External paving/ramps/stairs	MN Stain-Stop [2,4,5,6,7] Stain-Stop >W< [ALL]	INFUSE [2,3,4,5,6] PRISTINE – WB [2,4,5,6,7]
		Hotels, offices, public buildings	Stain-Stop PLUS [ALL] MN Colour Intensifier [ALL]	
	Swimming pool surrounds			
	Residential living areas		PRISTINE – WB [2,4,5,6,7] INFUSE [2,3,4,5,6] AQUACRYL [2,3,4,5,6] PRISTINE – WB [2,4,5,6,7] INFUSE [2,3,4,5,6]	
	Bath and shower rooms			
	Shopping centres – walkway			
	SANDSTONE <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● SAWN/SPLIT FINISH [6] 	External paving/ramps/stairs	MN Stain-Stop [6] Stain-Stop >W< [6]	CONSOLIDATE [ALL] QUANTUM [ALL] INFUSE [ALL]
Hotels, offices, public places		Stain-Stop PLUS [6] MN Colour Intensifier [6]		
Swimming pool surrounds				
Façades /construction			CONSOLIDATE [ALL] INFUSE [ALL]	
SLATE <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● SAWN/SPLIT FINISH [6] ● SATIN / ANTIQUE [7] 	External paving/ramps/stairs	MN Stain-Stop [6,7] Stain-Stop PLUS [6,7]	QUANTUM [ALL] INFUSE [ALL] PRISTINE – WB [ALL]	
	Hotels, offices, public places	MN Colour Intensifier [6,7]		
	Swimming pool surrounds		QUANTUM [ALL] AQUACRYL [ALL] INFUSE [ALL]	
	Residential living areas		QUANTUM [ALL] AQUACRYL [ALL] SILACRYL [ALL] INFUSE [ALL]	