

Madison Centre
505 Madison Street
Seattle, WA 98104

Madison Centre is downtown Seattle's newest high rise. The heart and soul of the 36 story tower is the lodge-like Lobby and massive Rotunda which include a two story stone fireplace and green wall.

Designed with nature in mind, the Lobby and Rotunda include only two types of stone. One a Minnesota granite hand selected from quarry boulder remnants and the other, a basalt used in five different finishes for flooring, walls, benches, pavers, and a floating spiral staircase.

The enormous granite boulders were used at the fireplace hearth and surround. The weight of these pieces necessitated specialty equipment and crawler cranes to lift the stones to the ceiling high installation.

The intention with the basalt, was to use one stone in numerous installations methods and finishes. It was used at the split face chimney, split face garden wall, split face radius benches, cobble stone pavers, a large format floor pattern that includes honed, flamed and polished, honed headers and jambs at elevator lobbies and honed treads and risers at the spiral stair case connecting the lower entry to the Rotunda.

The following areas received the customized stone:

Chinese Black Basalt

Sourced directly by stone contractor.

- Lobby Floor Pattern: Honed, flamed and polished in 2cm thickness
- Spiral Staircase: Honed in 3cm thickness
- Handrail Border: Honed in 2cm thickness
- Green Wall: Split face pieces 4" thickness.
- Fireplace chimney: Split face pieces 6" thickness
- Elevator lobby headers and jamb: Honed in 2cm thickness
- Exterior Radius Benches: Split face dimensional blocks
- Exterior Pavers: 2" x 2" x 4" Cobblestones
- Water Feature Interior: Honed 2cm

Mesabi Granite:

Sourced from Coldspring Granite.

- Fireplace Hearth & Surround: Boulders in natural/split finish

The boulders for the fireplace were selected from quarry remnants that are not typically used in day to day fabrication.









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