



Care & Maintenance Instructions: Metal Mosaics

For all cleaners and sealers, **ALWAYS** test a small area first and follow manufacturer's instructions and limitations.

Metal Mosaics are natural stone products, though porous, exhibit remarkable durability when installed, cared for, and maintained properly. Elon recommends using a quality penetrating sealer to seal all natural stone products before and after grouting. Periodic re-application of the sealer is advised over time. Use only pH-neutral cleaners designed for stone surfaces, avoiding abrasive or acidic alternatives. Promptly wipe up spills to prevent staining. Follow manufacture instructions diligently to preserve the timeless beauty of your natural stone tiles.

Cleaning Metal Mosaics

Use a pH-Neutral cleaner. When used regularly, it will prevent soap scum buildup and hard water deposits. Avoid abrasive cleaners or scrub pads on Metal Mosaics, abrasives will scratch or harm the color of the metal finish. To prevent water spotting in tub or shower areas, squeegee, or wipe area dry with microfiber cloth.

Example:

- *Aqua Mix® Concentrated Stone & Tile Cleaner*

Sealing Metal Mosaics

Presealing of Metal Mosaics prior to grouting is recommended. Seal all types of natural stone regardless of their finish along with grout joints with a high-quality vapor transmissive, penetrating sealer, be sure to remove all sealer residue from both metal surface and the surface of stone to prevent product hazing. Apply each coat of sealer in a different direction to ensure that it fully gets into the pours of the natural stone (e.g. First coat Left to Right, Second coat Front to Back).

Example:

- *Aqua Mix® Sealers Choice® Gold*

Enhancing Metal Mosaics

Stone Enhancers will enhance the natural colors of stones while providing maximum protection against common stains. Be sure to remove all enhancer residue from both metal surface and the surface of stone to prevent product hazing. Apply each coat of enhancer in a different direction to ensure that it fully gets into the pours of the natural stone (e.g. First coat Left to Right, Second coat Front to Back). Stone Enhancers will also rejuvenate the appearance of honed, tumbled, and polished finishes.

Example:

- *Aqua Mix® Enrich 'N' Seal™*

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