

Frequently Asked Questions

1. *Is this stone real?*

Craft Stone® products are manufactured stones with the advantages of being lightweight and easy to install.

2. *What are Craft Stone® products made of?*

Craft Stone® products are cast in latex molds taken from carefully selected natural stone. Each colour and texture uses its own blend of Portland cement, Pumice, and iron oxide pigments. Even on close examination these manufactured stones look and feel just like the originals.

3. *How are Craft Stone® products sold?*

Craft Stones are produced both for flat walls and corners. Flat & Corner pieces are sold by the box. Capstone pieces and trim products are sold by the piece.

4. *How heavy are Craft Stone® products?*

Craft Stone® products weigh approximately 33-45 kilos per square metre.

5. *How will Craft Stone® products weather?*

Colours become an integral part of Craft Stone® products during the casting process. Existing applications show no undesirable change in colour after years of weathering in various climatic exposures. Craft Stone® is extensively used through Canada and the USA in the snowfields and withstands the wind, snow, rain and hail, as well as withstanding the heat around fireplaces. (Craft Stone® products are made of non-combustible material).

6. *Does the colour go all the way through?*

Base colour is blended throughout the entire product. Colour overtones are applied and integrated into the product during the casting process.

7. *Will the same stone appear repeatedly on a wall/project?*

Craft Stone® products are cast from thousands of individual molds essentially eliminating repetition. In addition to further eliminate the possibility of repetition, each stone is individually coloured, and hence no two stones will have the same colouring.

8. *To what kind of surface can Craft Stone® be installed?*

Craft Stone® may be applied over any properly prepared clean, untreated, structurally sound wall surfaces such as wood, wallboard, masonry, metal, brick...almost any material.

9. *How are Craft Stone® products adhered to surfaces?*

Craft Stone® products are installed using regular cement mortar over a properly prepared substrate. See Craft Stone® Installation Instructions or visit our website at www.craftstoneoz.com.au for more details.

10. *Can Craft Stone® products be used on both exterior and interior projects?*

Yes. Craft Stone® products are suitable for both, and allow you to bring the outdoors inside, emphasizing design and continuity in colour and texture.

11. *Can Craft Stone® products be used on walkways, patios or water features?*

It is not recommended for Craft Stone® to be used on walkways, patios or water features. Craft Stone® looks fantastic when used as a garden wall feature, fence, around the BBQ etc.

12. *Should the mortar be coloured?*

Craft Stone® product applications are enhanced when mortar is tinted to compliment the stone colour.

13. *Can Craft Stone® products be cut?*

Yes, Craft Stone® products are easily cut using a hatchet or wide-mouth nippers, or with a masonry blade used with a circular or masonry saw.

14. *How many product types are available?*

Craft Stone® products provide the largest variety of colours and textures available in the manufactured stone line. There are 19 textures available in over 80 colours.

15. *What is the average thickness of Craft Stone® products?*

The average thickness of Craft Stone® products is 4.5 cm.