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any 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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STONE / FINISH	PRIME LOCATIONS	(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]	External paving/ramps/stairs	AP176 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]
HONED [2]EXFOLIATED [3]	Hotels, offices, public buildings	AP176 Solv Sealer Gold [ALL] AP177 Stone Sealer Gold [2,3,4,5,6]		(
BLASTED [4] BUSH-	Shopping centre – walkway			
HAMMERED [5] SAWN/SPLIT FINISH [6]	Food court/Fast food outlets Toilet facilities – public places			
SATIN / ANTIQUE [7]	Swimming pool surrounds	AP176 Solv Sealer Gold [ALL] AP672 Aquaseal SV [2,3,4,5,6]		
	Bench and vanity tops	AP176 Solv Sealer Gold [ALL] AP175 Solv Sealer Pro [ALL]	Subm Chair Call PC II 7	A sur Coal Coald IM (Newsyll coal) [1-7]
MARBLE POLISHED [1]	Hotels, offices, public places	AP176 Solv Sealer Gold [ALL] AP177 Stone Sealer Gold [2,4,5,6] AP175 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]
HONED [2] EXFOLIATED [NA]	Shopping centre – walkway			
BLASTED [4] BUSH- HAMMERED [5] SAWN/SPLIT FINISH [6] SATIN / ANTIQUE [7]	Food court/Fast food outlets Toilet facilities – public places			
	Residential living areas	•		
	Bath and shower rooms	AP176 Solv Sealer Gold [ALL] AP175 Solv Sealer Pro [ALL]		
LIMECTONE	Bench and vanity tops	AP176 Solv Sealer Gold [ALL]	Sealers Choice Gold RC [1–7]	Agua-Seal Gold+™ (Natural Look) [1–7]
POLISHED [1] HONED [2]	External paving/ramps/stairs	AP176 Solv Sealer Gold [ALL] AP177 Stone Sealer Gold [2,4,5,6] AP175 Solv Sealer Pro [ALL]	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]
O EXFOLIATED [NA] BLASTED [4]	Hotels, offices, public places			
BUSH- HAMMERED [5]	Toilet facilities – public places Residential living areas			
SAWN/SPLIT FINISH [6]	Bath and shower rooms	API76 Solv Sealer Gold [ALL] API75 Solv Sealer Pro [ALL]	Sealers Choice Gold RC [1–7]	
SATIN / ANTIQUE [7]	Construction stone	AP672 Aquaseal SV [ALL] AP177 Stone Sealer Gold [ALL]	Sealers Choice Gold RC [1–7] Enrich & Seal [1–7]	\
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	Hotels, offices, public places	+	*	
	Swimming pool surrounds	AP672 Aquaseal SV [ALL] AP177 Stone Sealer Gold [ALL] AP176 Solv Sealer Gold [ALL]	Sealers Choice Gold RC [1–7] Sealers Choice Gold RC [1–7]	
	Residential living areas	AP177 Stone Sealer Gold [ALL] AP175 Solv Sealer Pro [ALL]	Enrich & Seal [1–7]	
	Bath and shower rooms	API76 Solv Sealer Gold [ALL] API75 Solv Sealer Pro [ALL] API76 Solv Sealer Gold [ALL]	Sealers Choice Gold RC [1-7]	Aqua-Seal Gold+™ (Natural Look) [1–7]
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	Hotels, offices, public buildings	AP672 Aquaseal SV [ALL]	Sealers Choice Gold RC [1–7]	
	Swimming pool surrounds	API77 Stone Sealer Gold [ALL] API76 Solv Sealer Gold [ALL]	Sealers Choice Gold RC [1–7]	
	Residential living areas Bath and shower rooms	AP177 Stone Sealer Gold [ALL] AP175 Solv Sealer Pro [ALL] AP176 Solv Sealer Gold [ALL]	Enrich & Seal [1–7]	
	Shopping centres – walkway	API75 Solv Sealer Pro [ALL] API76 Solv Sealer Gold [ALL] API77 Stone Sealer Gold [ALL]		
SANDSTONE SAWN/SPLIT FINISH [6]	External paving/ramps/stairs	API75 Solv Sealer Pro [ALL] API76 Solv Sealer Gold [ALL] API77 Stone Sealer Gold [ALL]	Sealers Choice Gold RC [6]	Aqua-Seal Gold+™ (Natural Look) [6] Ultra-Block™ (Six Sided Sealing) [6]
	Hotels, offices, public places	AP672 Aquaseal SV [ALL]		Enhance'N'Seal+™ (Enhanced Look) [6]
	Swimming pool surrounds	AP672 Aquaseal SV [ALL] AP177 Stone Sealer Gold [ALL]	V	
	Façades /construction	\	Sealers Choice Gold RC [6] Penetrating Sealer [6]	*
SLATE SAWN/SPLIT FINISH [6] SATIN / ANTIQUE [7]	External paving/ramps/stairs	AP176 Solv Sealer Gold [ALL] AP177 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	AP176 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	AP176 Solv Sealer Gold [ALL] AP177 Stone Sealer Gold [ALL] AP672 Aquaseal SV [ALL]	Sealers Choice Gold RC [6,7]	
	Residential living areas	AP176 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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