## **COUNTERTOP MATERIAL COMPARISON**

	Solid Surface	3 cm Granite	Marble	Quartz	Concrete	Laminate	Stainless Steel	Wood
Price per Sq. Ft.	\$35 to \$80+	\$39 to \$192+	\$47 to \$165+	\$41 To \$115+	\$65 to \$145+	\$50 to \$100+	\$50 to \$150+	\$50 to \$100+
Solid Colors	Yes	Limited	Limited	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Unavailable
Pattern and Veining	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Limited	Yes	No	Flat or End Grain
High Gloss Finish	Not Recommended	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	No
Stain Resistance	Excellent	Good	Poor	Excellent	Good	Good	Excellent	Poor
NSF-51 Certification	Yes	No	No	Yes	No	No	Yes	No
Scratch Resistance	Good	Excellent	Poor	Excellent	Good	Poor	Poor	Poor
Repairability	Excellent	Good	Good	Poor	Poor	Poor	Poor	Excellent
Heat Resistance	Use Trivet	Use Trivet	Use Trivet	Use Trivet	Use Trivet	Use Trivet	Use Trivet	Use Trivet
UV Resistance	Good	Good	Good	Poor	Poor	Poor	n/a	Good
Outdoor Application	Good	Excellent	Good	Poor	Good	Poor	Excellent	Poor
Sealing	None Required	Annual	Ineffective	None Required	Quarterly	None Required	None Required	Monthly
Integrated Sink and Backsplash	Yes	Not Available	Not Available	Sink Only	Not Available	Not Available	Yes	Not Available
Mfg. Warranty	10—15 yr. mfg. warranty	None	None	10—25 yr. mfg. warranty	None	None	None	None
Ease of Maintenance	Excellent	Very Good	Good	Excellent	Good	Good	Excellent	Good
Durability	Excellent	Very Good	Good	Excellent	Good	Poor	Excellent	Good