



MARBLE DREAM ULTRA

INSTALLATION GUIDE

Welcome to the Marble Dream Resurfacing Kit. It's a marble coating system you can use to easily resurface countertops, vanities, tables and more with a decorative, highly durable new marble finish.

SURFACE PREPARATION

All surfaces must be clean, dry and in good repair. Deep cracks or holes must be patched with drywall spackle for laminate, spackle or wood filler for wood, and spackle or Rock Patch for concrete. Make the patch flush with the remaining surface. Patch material must dry completely before proceeding. **1)** If applying to laminate, the surface must be scuffed with the enclosed sanding pad and then washed. This adds fine surface tooth for better bond. **2)** If applying to a wood tabletop or concrete, the surface must be free of pre-existing coatings. **3)** For tile countertops, apply a thin coat of ElastoLock™ as a bond enhancer. Allow ElastoLock™ to dry for 24 hours before proceeding. **4)** Mask adjoining surfaces with painter's tape. **5)** Cover nearby cabinetry and floors with plastic sheets or other suitable protection. **6)** Depending on your preference, sink and faucet edges can be carefully covered with painter's tape where they meet the countertop surface – or they can be loosened and lifted off during installation of the countertop finish.

Step 1: Marble Base Coat

The Marble Base Coat is the real stone foundation of your new finish.



MIXING: Prior to application, stir the Marble Base Coat well.

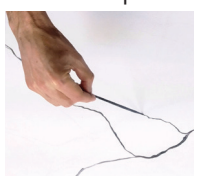
APPLICATION: **1)** Use the small brush to apply to tight areas as well as corners, along edges, etc. Wash the brush with soap and water after use since you will be using it again. **2)** Apply a uniform coat of Marble Base over the remaining countertop or table with one of the enclosed 6-inch rollers. Wash the roller with soap and water to prepare for the second application. **3)** Allow the Marble Base to dry for about 60 minutes

between coats (or until totally dry to the touch). **4)** Apply the marble coating thin and smooth. Roll out any textured areas. **5)** When complete, let dry for one to two hours before proceeding with application of the Marble Veins. **Wash the roller and tray to prepare for upcoming steps.**

Step 2: Marble Veins and Accents

The kit includes a marble mineral vein mix that infuses accents and veins into the marble base layer for a natural organic effect. The two most popular application styles are "Classic Marble" and "Marble Swirl," detailed below.

1) CLASSIC MARBLE STYLE: For "traditional" marble looks, from smoky soft and subtle veins to more defined sharper vein lines. Here's how it's done...



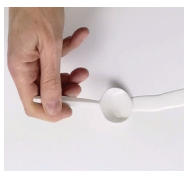
Thin Sharp Veins: **(1)** Stir the mineral vein liquid thoroughly. **(2)** Use the enclosed artist brush to add veins onto the damp surface as desired. Lay down veins that are randomly thinner to thicker for a natural appearance. Use lighter pressure and a lighter brush load to create very thin lines **(3)** Wait 15 – 30 seconds after application and lightly mist the installed lines with water. **(4)** If you want the lines to be more subtle, lightly pat the lines with the flat sponge that's in the kit.



sponge. **(5)** Lightly mist the surface with water and let it dry.

2) MARBLE SWIRL STYLE:

For naturally flowing veins and accents that are easy to apply – then let it create spectacularly detailed creative marble effects for you.



(1) Blend the enclosed glaze material 50:50 with water and stir it until uniform in one of the enclosed mixing cups. **(2)** Use one of the enclosed spoons to lay down a bead of diluted glaze mix where you want the veins in your finish. **(3)** Load the artists brush with mineral vein liquid. **(4)** Brush vein liquid in one or two thin lines down the center of the glaze lines. Apply sparingly. **(5)** Lightly mist the dry surface surrounding the glaze lines. Not onto the glaze itself. **(6)** If desired, lightly move the glaze and vein mixes on the surface for a few seconds with a blow dryer set to "warm." **(7)** The finish will grow and create intricately detailed swirling veins on its own. Let the finish dry until the following day.

STEP 3: MARBLE GLAZE COAT

The Marble Dream Glaze Coat softens all of the veins and accents – and sets them deeper into the completed finish for a realistic and natural appearance.



(1) APPLY THIN COAT OF MARBLE GLAZE: Allow veins and accents to dry 30 minutes before application of a **THIN** coat of Marble Glaze. This will visually soften the veins and accents and lock them into the surface. **(2) EXPOSE VEINS AND ACCENTS:** While the Marble Glaze is still wet, you have the option of using the sea sponge to softly re-expose the veins and accents as desired for a very realistic and natural effect.



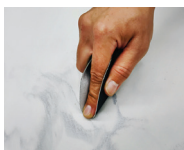
STEP 4: EPOXY CLEAR COAT

This is where you add a sleek sheen and visual depth to your marble finish with the Marble Dream Ultra Epoxy Clear Coat.

(1) Inspect the dry marble finish for any rough spots and softly sand them flat with the enclosed pink sanding pad and remove any dust. **(2)** Combine parts "A" and "B" of the Marble Dream Epoxy Kit and stir thoroughly for three minutes. **(3)** Pour the mixed contents into the paint tray and use the enclosed 4" epoxy roller to apply a uniform thin coat over everything. **Don't press too hard while rolling.** Just move the epoxy across the surface and level out each section with a gentle back-roll as you go. **(4)** Sweep away any hanging epoxy droplets along bottom edges occasionally before they have a chance to dry. **(5)** When complete, allow the epoxy to cure for 24 hours before the next and final step.

STEP 5: PROTECTIVE CLEAR TOP COAT

To keep the surface looking it's best through daily use, apply the final clear coat as a defensive layer against marring, scratches and stains. This is the final coating step.



*****IMPORTANT:** Before application of this final clear coat, feel the cured epoxy surface for any small protrusions. Use the enclosed 400 grit sandpaper disc to softly sand them



smooth with your fingertip or with a random orbital sander. When done, remove any dust and proceed to coating.

CLEAR COAT APPLICATION:

1) Use the small brush from the kit for tight areas as well as corners, along edges, etc. Avoid pooling of the clear coat during application. Wash the brush immediately after use with soap and water, since you will be using it for the second coat. **2)** Apply the Clear Coat over the rest of the entire surface with the enclosed 4-inch roller. Roll gently over the surface until it is fully covered. **DO NOT OVERWORK OR DISTURB** the Clear Coat with additional roller passes as it attempts to dry. This could add air bubbles and also roughen the finish. Wash the roller with soap and water between uses. **3)** Allow the Clear Coat to dry for about four hours. **4)** Apply a second coat in the same manner as the first and allow it to cure for 24 hours before use.

PRECAUTIONS: Avoid contact with eyes and skin. Flood eyes repeatedly with potable water for 15 minutes. Wash hands after handling. Do not take internally. **KEEP OUT OF REACH OF CHILDREN.** Keep container closed. Water-based product – dispose of unused material as prescribed by law.

COMPLETION AND CLEANUP

1) After the Clear Coat has cured, all painter's tape must be removed. ***All edges where the painter's tape meets the surface finish should be scored carefully with a utility knife to ensure clean, damage-free removal.** **2)** To stop water intrusion beneath sinks and other fixtures and the surface coating, a bead of clear caulking is recommended along adjoining edges.

SURFACE CARE GUIDELINES

With your new countertop or tabletop finish installed, the following guidelines should be followed to keep your surface in optimal condition.

Resuming Use:

After application and 24 hour cure of the final Clear Coat, you can begin using the surface. Maintain gentler use during the first week as the surface continues to harden for maximum wear and stain resistance.

Cutting foods:

Though your new countertop is durable, cutting foods directly on the surface is not recommended. A cutting board should be used.

Hot Objects:

While your new countertop or table finish is heat resistant, prolonged contact with extremely hot pans, etc., may discolor or damage the surface. As a sensible precaution, a trivet should be used to protect your countertop's good condition.

Maintenance:

The easiest way to keep your countertop or table in good condition is to keep it clean. It should be wiped clean after use with a damp cloth or common household cleaner. Otherwise, your new surface is basically maintenance-free.

For LIVE footage of the steps outlined here – as well as instruction on how to install other vein and finish styles – look for the Instructional Marble Dream Ultra videos on YouTube – or on your dealer's website.

You can also visit us at www.daichcoatings.com for all the information you need.

Thank you – and enjoy your new Marble Dream ULTRA Surface!