

SPACETURTLE

CONSTRUCTION

COUNTERTOP COMPARISONS

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Material	Cost	Staining	Cutting	Heat	Scratches	Impact	Common Names
Quartz (Natural Stone with Resin)	\$\$\$-\$\$\$\$	Very Good	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	Fair	Cambria, Corian Quartz, SileStone, CaesarStone, Allen + Roth, Zodiac, Vicostone, Wilsonart, Hanstone, Daltile
Granite (Quarried Slab)	\$\$-\$\$\$	Very Good	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	Fair	Artisan Stone
Solid Surface	\$ - \$\$\$	Very Good	Fair	Fair	Fair	Very Good	Dupont Corian, LG Hi-MACS
Compact Surface / Sintered Stone	\$\$\$-\$\$\$\$	Very Good	Very Good	Very Good	Very Good	Very Good	Dekton, Neolith
Butcher Block (Varnished)	\$\$ - \$\$\$	Excellent	Poor	Poor	Poor	Poor	
Quartzite (Quarried Slab)	\$\$ - \$\$\$	Very Good	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	Very Good	
Soapstone	\$\$	Good	Poor	Excellent	Fair	Poor	
Marble	\$\$ - \$\$\$	Fair	Poor	Fair	Poor	Poor	
Recycled Glass with penetrating Sealer	\$\$-\$\$\$	Good	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	Poor	Curava
Laminate	\$	Excellent	Fair	Excellent	Good	Very Good	Formica
Ceramic and Porcelain Tile	\$	Fair	Excellent	Excellent	Very Good	Good	
Concrete (topical sealer)	\$\$ - \$\$\$	Excellent	Poor	Fair	Good	Poor	
Stainless Steel	\$ - \$\$\$	Good	Poor	Excellent	Fair	Poor	
Limestone	\$ - \$\$	Poor	Poor	Excellent	Fair	Poor	
Bamboo	\$-\$\$\$	Poor	Poor	Poor	Good	Poor	

Source: Information compiled by Consumer Reports July 2013 and Manufacturer Product Information. **Stains** shows resistance to 20 common foods and household products. **Cutting** reflects resistance to damage from weighted chef's and serrated (non-ceramic) knives use in slicing and chopping motions. **Heat** gauges how well materials resisted damage and discoloration from a pot filled with oil heated to 400 degrees. **Abrasion** is resistance to damage from a weighted sanding blow. **Impact** reflects ability to withstand blunt and pointed weights dropped from 3.5 feet.