

VT STONE REVIEW

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No Island Too Large for Project Complete

With nearly a decade of experience as a general contractor under his belt, Curtis Cooper recognized a market deficiency for quality stone fabricators and installers in the Bristol, Tennessee's tri-city area. With a penchant for hard work and attention to detail, Curtis founded Project Complete.

Over the past several months the team at Project Complete has been perfecting their stone fabrication and installation skills. They also made it a priority to attend VT Stone Surfaces' Stone Training Workshop, which they found to be very educational. "Not only did we learn best practices for fabrication and installation, we also got a chance to tour VT's high-tech fabrication facility," noted Cooper.

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OVERSIZED ISLAND

One of their most notable projects to date was a kitchen renovation that challenged Project Complete to incorporate existing cabinetry and granite tops into an expanded kitchen space and the addition of a massive 11-foot long kitchen island. "The homeowners expanded their kitchen into an adjacent room by knocking down a wall," explains Cooper. "We ended up reusing the existing black galaxy granite on the perimeter cabinets but it needed additional fabrication to fit the new kitchen layout."

The oversized island was another interesting feature of the kitchen renovation. Measuring 4 ¼ feet wide by 11 feet long, this was Project Complete's largest installation to date. The homeowners selected Caesarstone's Misty Carrera quartz with a simple eased edge for the island



Project Complete 11-Foot oversized island.

which features a large 5-burner gas cook-top complete with a downdraft vent. "With an island this long, it was a given that there would be seams in the countertop. For the home owners it was imperative that we position the seam in the most inconspicuous place. Ultimately, we decided to place the seam under the cook top to minimize the appearance.

Upon completion, the homeowners were thrilled as the seams are nearly invisible and the job was considered a success. As a testament to Project Complete's fine work, the homeowners recently chose to work with them again for a bathroom remodel project that is currently underway. ♦♦

VT Stone Surfaces Expands Product Offering with New Quartz Vanity Program

VT Stone Surfaces is proud to announce the introduction of the VT Stone Surfaces' line of Quartz. Created specifically for VT Industries, VT Stone Surfaces Quartz products offer customers a full line of beautiful, high-quality quartz vanities backed by the industry-leading customer service and support you've come to expect from VT.

"WE'RE EXCITED TO BRING A HIGH QUALITY QUARTZ VANITY PROGRAM TO OUR CUSTOMER BASE. OUR PRIVATE LABEL QUARTZ PRODUCT IS SECOND TO NONE AND HAS GIVEN OUR CUSTOMERS THE FREEDOM OF CHOICE WHEN SELECTING A QUARTZ VANITY PRODUCT," EXPLAINS RYAN CLAUSEN, VICE PRESIDENT VT STONE SURFACES.

VT STONE SURFACES QUARTZ

Composed of 93% quartz and 7% binders, resins, and pigments, and manufactured in a technologically advanced facility, VT ensures the highest material and quality standards are met and exceeded. Produced through a process called vibro compression

under vacuum, the components are then cured, cooled, cut into slabs, and finally polished. The resulting product is as beautiful as any quartz product on the market today.

The physical characteristics of VT Quartz make it one of the most hassle-free surfacing options available. Quartz is the 4th hardest mineral on earth, therefore making it one of the most durable and scratch resistant options as well. The binders added to the quartz in manufacturing ensure that it is non-porous, meaning it is naturally stain resistant and never needs sealed. It also adds to the product's flexural strength, making it less brittle than a natural stone. It's the increased flexural strength that also makes it easier to ship and install because it is less likely to chip or crack.

VT's quartz product is a popular choice for both residential and commercial indoor applications. The product is well-suited for kitchen and bath vanities. It's for this reason that VT developed a Quartz Vanity Program. The program offers VT Quartz products for several standard sized vanities available with several sink options. Visit vtstonesurfaces.com/sinks-and-vanities for more information. ♦♦

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YOUR CHOICE OF 6 VANITY QUARTZ COLORS AND 3 BOWLS

Villa	Colonial
Prairie	Bungalow
Georgian	Gothic

Benefits of Quartz Vanity Tops

- Nonporous material - does not need to be sealed like granite which means it is easier to maintain.
- Stain resistant to common household items - maintains shine without polish or sealers.
- Quartz has a much higher flexural strength than granite - meaning it is easier to install and more durable.
- Backed by a 1-year material warranty.

VT Quartz Vanity flyer.

VT Stone Surfaces Invests in New Stone Fabrication Equipment



Mr. Commandulli, Ryan Miller VP of Operations VT Stone Surfaces, and Mara.

As a company, VT Stone Surfaces is committed to continuous improvement. The continuous improvement culture is implemented at every level of the business and manifests in various ways including the investment in new stone fabrication equipment.

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VT Stone Surfaces recently installed a state-of-the-art piece of polishing equipment in their La Mirada, California fabrication facility. This new straight line polisher replaces an older polisher and incorporates the latest polishing technology. Not only will it produce an exceptional polish, but it will also improve work flow throughout the fabrication process.



Straight Line Edge Polisher being installed in La Mirada, California.

VT Stone Surfaces Honored at Cosentino Event



Left to right; Brian Lynch- Cosentino Regional Director, Northeast Region, Mike Heylmun- Cosentino Vice President, Commercial Division, Matt Thurston- Cosentino Regional Director, West Region, Ryan Miller, VT Stone Surfaces Vice President of Operations.

Recently, VT Stone Surfaces was honored at Cosentino's annual awards banquet dubbed the "Cosentino 100". Each year, Cosentino's gathers their top 100 customers from the United States

and Canada in Cancun, Mexico. The events include a banquet and awards presentation, as well as the opportunity to learn and network with fellow leaders in the business. ●●

Ryan Miller, VP of Operations VT Stone Surfaces, was able to visit the Commandulli factory while in Italy for business. While there he met with Mr. Commandulli and his daughter Mara. He was also able to experience the factory's performance testing on the Straight Line Edge polisher before it was shipped overseas for installation. ●●



Straight Line Edge Polisher installed and running on line.

A New View Showroom

Anaheim has a new Kitchen and Bath Showroom called, A New View, featuring Cambria Countertops on their Kraftmaid displays. The designer Shawn Stewart comes with a wealth of knowledge in the industry. His passion for creating the space of your dreams makes the remodel process a breeze. Partnering with VT Industries for all their countertop surface needs will ensure a job well done. ●●



A New View Designer, Shawn Stewart.



A New View showroom.