

Granite Worktops, are they really worth the money?

It is a known fact that granite worktops are beautiful and can compliment any home and kitchen but are they the most cost effective solution?

Granite worktops come with many advantages and benefits for any home owner. Granite is highly resistant to heat which means it can take the heat of a hot pan without suffering any damage or loss in colour. Granite is easy to clean and requires very little maintenance and will often keep its “brand new” look even after 40 years. You won’t be required to spend all your money on specialist cleaning products; warm water and mild detergents are more than enough. Compared to wood and laminated worktops, you won’t have to worry about bacteria contamination and stains.

[Granite slabs](#) come with a unique set of colours and patterns. This creates an individual and original look for any kitchen. You won’t have to worry about jealous neighbours “borrowing” your kitchen design.

Although you may argue that you’re better off going for a cheaper solution such as wood or laminates; you must also consider the maintenance costs over the course of its lifetime. Wood and laminate tops are definitely cheaper than granite worktops but you get what you pay for. Almost all wood and laminate worktops require lots of maintenance and are always prone to bacteria contamination and physical damage. Taking this into consideration, you will be required to pay for replacements and repairs which will, in the long run, cost you more than having invested in a granite worktop.

With many [kitchen design](#) companies selling alternatives to granite worktops such as imitation granite, there must be a reason why. The fact is, granite worktops are beautiful and amazing works of art. They suit any kitchen and will increase its overall appearance.

Another great thing about granite worktops is they do not depreciate in value. As a home owner looking to sell their homes, a granite worktop will actually help to increase the property value on the market.

To summarise, granite worktops are great to look at and will help to improve a home’s appearance and its market value. You won’t be required to invest any more money in the future on repair costs; often the price you pay for the worktop is the only investment. A granite worktop’s life time will often match the lifespan of the house itself. So to answer the question, are granite worktops cost effective? With so many advantages I am sure you can figure that out yourself.