



## **CSR Fact Sheet**

### **Product**

5/8" (1.6cm) Thick 64x96 slab size

This size makes it ideal for standard shower (32"x32") and tub walls (60"x32").

Material is 95% Natural Marble, 5% resins, pigments, and binders.

Hardness (Mohs Scale) 3.0 to 3.2 compare to granite 6.5 and quartz surfaces 7.0

# **Application**

Ideal for shower walls, tub walls, and vanity tops. Should be sealed after installation to avoid staining and for product longevity.

Not recommended for kitchens. As with any natural marble product, permanent staining can occur from exposure to cooking oil, grape juice, wine. Etching can occur when exposed to acidic liquids like vinegar, lemon juice, etc...

### **Fabrication**

Please note, all of the tools and finishing products discussed are common items to the industry and can be purchased through tools suppliers like GranQuartz.

These are general guidelines and different fabricators will have different preferences.

Piedrafina, as well as other brands of engineered marble, cuts and finishes much like natural marble. The material is soft, which makes it easy to cut, sand, and polish, but some special steps should be taken.

**Slab cutting (shop)** – it is recommended to use a bridge saw with a marble blade.

**Slab cutting (field)** -6-7" marble blade for Skilsaw type saw. Thinner masonry blades work very well, but they have a shorter lifespan than marble blades.

**Edge finishing/polishing** – Sanding discs progression (80 grit, 220 grit, 400 grit) dry sanding, followed by wax & buffing. Some fabricators have success using an ager, which evens out the coloration of the stone.

Various edge options are possible: 5/8" flat polish, 1-1/4" stacked edge, mitered edge

## **Competitive Brands**

Santamargherita - SM Marble MSI – Venetian Kohler - Choreograph