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Natural stone veneer was established in 2001, in United states creating the idea of thin stone to replace a full size modular stone, without jeopardizing the original look and the integrity of design



Our product is a dolomitic limestone that has been tested and certified to meet the highest architectural specification. The highest stone density allows us to cut it thinner, and minimize the weight for special project needs.

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Over twenty years in business has allowed us to experience a superior customer service under American standards, to cater to architects, designers, developers as well as homeowners. Our hundred and twenty employees placed in several countries, speaking multiple languages, are giving our clients service they expect. We thrive on helping to make your dream project come to a completion without any glitch. Customer service is our number one priority.





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### PRESS COVERAGE

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## "Building a handcrafted stone business"

### by Jennifer Adams

Edgard Sargi, president of ImExWare in Henderson, NV, journeyed to Indonesia several years ago with a specific objective in mind. "I realized that they have nice marble, and also reasonable labor cost there, " he explained. "I went to get into something different then general construction, which I had been doing. I was a general contractor in Las Vegas. " And after observing local practices in Indonesia, Sargi returned to the U.S. with thoughts of launching a business to produce split-faced stone products.

"I noticed that for a lot of things, (Indonesians) rely on their hands -- to make furniture and other handcrafted things," he said. "I went to a trade show there, and after I came back, I thought about the idea of doing split-faced stone, because I know how to do this kind of work."



Managing Member: Edgard Sargi

Once Sargi was convinced of his idea, he returned to Indonesia to begin hunting for a company to manufacture the products. "I went back to Indonesia, but couldn't find anybody that had the technique to do this kind of work and make it for me," he said. "I waited about six months, and then went ahead and started my own factory."

It was three years ago when Sargi set out on this mission. "I brought technicians from Europe, and spent six months building the factory and training people to split the stone," he said. While in Indonesia, I went around to all different islands and found quarries with different colors. We offer 18 colors in all."

Sargi explained that he purchases materials from these quarries, and than fabricates the products at his facility, which sits on 5 acres. The factory is equipped with everything from hand tools to advanced machinery, according to Sargi. "We do split-face, bushhammered and polished stone finishes as well as mosaics and ledged stone, which is with 2-inch random length pieces set on mesh," he said. "The bottom line is that we can fabricate anything the customer wants, Custom orders aren't a problem. We can do any size."

The company, which began with 60 employees, has now grown to include 120 with a capacity of 10 containers a month, and markets its products to regions throughout the U.S. ImExWare maintains a showroom and warehouse in Henderson, NV, where it keeps a total of 60 containers in stock. The company offers interior and exterior products for both residential and commercial design.

"We are planning to go worldwide," said Sargi. "We are setting up exclusive dealers for tile. We just signed a deal with Dal-Tile in San Francisco, and are looking for exclusive dealers all over the U.S."

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Jennifer Adams is the managing editors of Stone World.

# Bank upgrade relies on ashlar stonework

Using an alternating pattern of thin-cut black and Sand Beige limestone veneer, as well as granite elements, RPR Architects established a unique setting for the Alta Alliance Bank in Oakland, CA





The facade of the 13,000-square-foot Alta Alliance Bank headquarters building, located in Downtown Oakland, CA, features alternating stripes of black and Sand Beige dolomitic limestone in an ashlar pattern, which was added to update the look of the exterior facade.

ocated in Downtown Oakland, CA, the facade of the 13,000-square-foot building that now houses the Alta Alliance Bank headquarters was in dire need of a facelift, and locally based RPR Architects came to the rescue in a timely manner. To enhance the outdated look of the exterior space, the architects added a variety of limestone and granite to the exterior facade of the building, and stone was also carried inside.

According to Design Principal Michael Perkocha, AIA of RPR Architects, the building was originally constructed in the 1950s, and remodeled in the 1970s. "The intent was to create a signature building for Alta Alliance Bank," he said. "We wanted to give it a fresh contemporary look to attract customers and high-caliber employees."

The exterior facade of the building features alternating stripes of black and Sand Beige dolomitic limestone - which was quarried in Indonesia - in a combination of bushhammered and split-faced finishes. The material was supplied by Im Ex Ware of Henderson, NV, and distributed by Dal-Tile Corp. of San Leandro, CA.

RPR Architects considered a number of stone finishes before ultimately selecting a combination of bushhammered and split-faced. "We wanted something very eye-catching in terms of colors," said the architect. "The bushhammered and split-faced finishes





(Before)



According to Design Principal Michael Perkocha, AIA of RPR Architects, the biggest challenge was in applying the stone veneer to an existing building with multiple substrates.

are appealing for aesthetic reasons and are also less attractive to graffiti due to their very coarse textures. Stone was the right choice for the bank, as it made it seem solid and substantial.

"We knew we wanted a material that was contemporary but also distinctive - the image of the shiny granite corporate bank wasn't right for Alta Alliance as a community-based bank," the architect continued. "The limestone, in combination with the signature yellow metal canopy and fascia, had the right mix of warmth, solidity and brilliance."

The pattern features a variety of random sizes that are 8 inches tall and anywhere from 4 to 24 inches wide. The stone was laid in an ashlar pattern and features pieces that are mainly 3/8 inches thick, although the split-faced material tends to be thicker at the edges of the building, according to Perkocha. "The stone was sealed with ProSoCo Limestone and Marble Protector to sharpen the contrast and enhance the color and

veining of the natural stone veneer, while aiding with maintaining the crispness of the design," he said. Perkocha also added that the exposed corners of the stone were all mitered, which he felt was a fairly unique aspect of the project.

Additionally, the base of the building is comprised of Absolute Black granite, which was also distributed by Dal-Tile Corp. The bottom 2 feet of the facade features 18- x 18-inch pieces of granite, while smaller 6- x 6-inch pieces were used around the automated teller area of the bank.

### Installing the stone

According to the architect, the biggest challenge was in applying the stone veneer to an existing building with multiple substrates. "In some areas, we had to apply the veneer to a brick wall, and in other areas to a steel framing," he said. "Another challenge was that with the ashlar pattern and random sizes of the

stone, the material had to be laid up using some artistic interpretation on the part of the masons. The stone had to be carefully aligned so it maintained the random appearance of ashlar masonry.

"The General Contractor, South Bay Construction, coordinated the subcontractors on the job to assure De Anza Tile with access and a properly prepared substrate for the application of the random-length course stone," Perkocha continued.

According to Rich Papapietro of De Anza Co., Inc. Tile of Palo Alta, CA, the stone work took approximately one month to install, with a total of four workers on the job. Using Megalite® Crack Prevention Mortar from Custom Building Products, the workers were able to adhere the stone panels to the facade of the building. "The lightweight product has a bond on it that is incredible," said Papapietro.

The installer agreed with Perkocha that the different surfaces on the



building posed a challenge when it came time to install the stone. "It was difficult going over all the different surfaces to try and achieve a level plane," he said "The material was feathered out insome places by the stucco workers andso forth which helped overcome this." All the prep work paid off because the final monolithic appearance of the stone walls is exactly what the architect envisioned.

Natural stone was also carried inside the building, as slabs of Absolute Black granite were used for bathroom and kitchen countertops. This met the owner's request that the interiors would be "warm and inviting, with an upscale comfortable atmosphere." "We wanted

to carry through the feeling of elegance and permanence that greets customers on the exterior," the architect added.

The project was carried out in a timely manner, taking only six months to complete from start to finish. Finishing in January 2007, the project was very well received, according to the architect. "The project was done with some assistance from the Community and Economic Development Agency (CEDA) of Oakland," he said. "Brian Kendall, the city's project manager, said this bank is one of the most successful projects they have ever had in terms of the facade improvement program." q

### Alta Alliance Bank Oakland, CA

Architect: RPR Architects, Oakland, CA

General Contractor: South Bay Construction, Los Gatos, CA Stone Installer: De Anza Tile Co., Inc., Palo Alto, CA Stone Supplier: Im Ex Ware, Henderson, NV (limestone)

Stone Distributor: Dal-Tile Corp., San Leandro, CA (limestone, granite)
Installation Products: Custom Building Products, Seal Beach, CA

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Natural Stone Veneer by Imexware has been fabricating **stone products** for over 20 years. We create custom masterpieces with your choice of Natural Stone. **Available in a variety of colors and visual textures.** 

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Everything will be **personalized, custom-made and CUT TO SIZE** in order to meet all your specifications. We can make your commercial or residential project unique and masterful.









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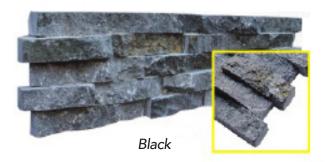
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### 24x6"x 3/8"

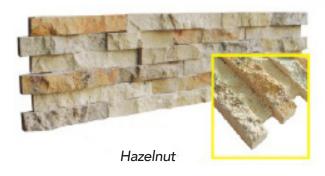
panel with 1-1/4" pieces, glued together creating an interlocking basket woven biscotti look.

Note: corners are available in all colors







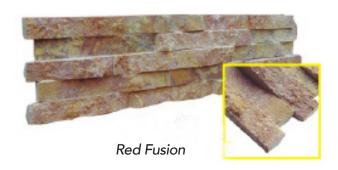












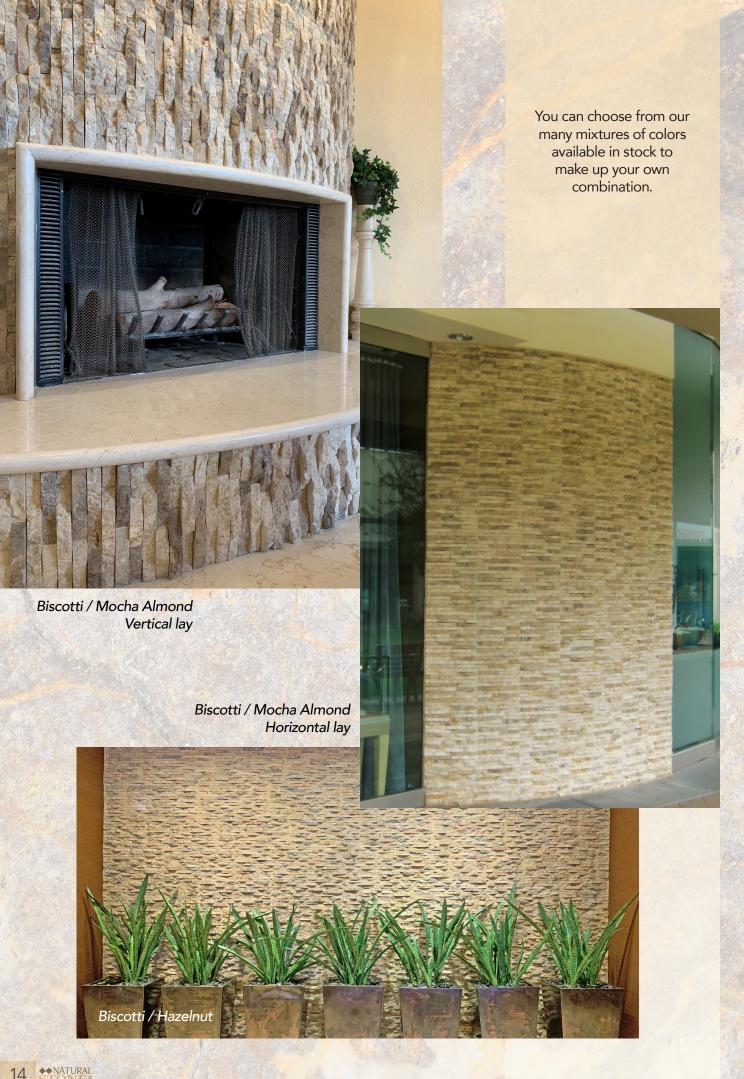
















### **LEDGE STONE**



Almond



Adam Blue



Baltic



Black



Browny



Oyster Gray



Red Camel



Sand beige



Creamy Peach Horizontal corner



Creamy Peach Vertical corner



### **ROCKY MOUNTAIN**



Adam Blue



Browny



Black



Desert Sand



Chocolate Swirl



Oyster Gray



Mocha Latte

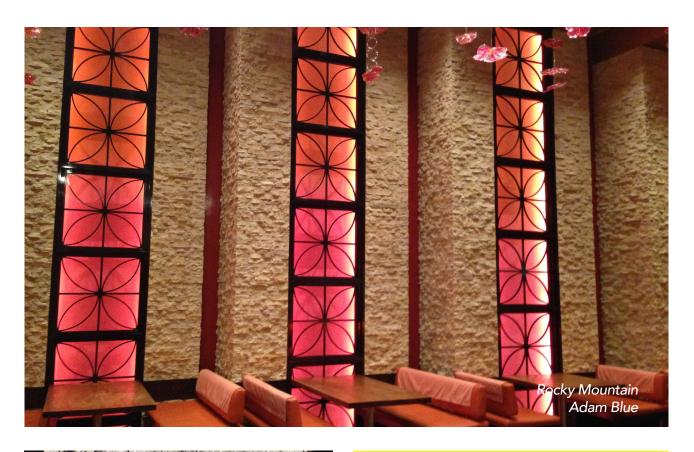


Sand Beige





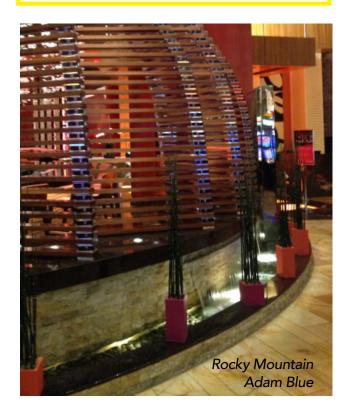
Oyster Gray





2 "1/4 high chiseled face pieces by random length glued together creating an individual 24"x12"solid panel

Note: corners are available in all colors



### **ROCKY MOUNTAIN TUMBLED**



Adam Blue



**Browny** 



Black



Mocha Latte



Desert Sand



Sand Beige



Oyster Gray

2 "1/4 high gtumbled face pieces by random length glued together creating an individual 24"x12"solid panel

Note: corners are available in all colors



Sand Beige



Adam Blue

### **SIENNA**



Adam Blue

Browny





Baja Sand

Black





Mocha Latte

Mocha Almond





Oyster Shell

Oyster Gray



6"x24" or 8"x36" stone pieces glued together creating an interlocking solid panel

Sand Beige

### **STACKED STONE**

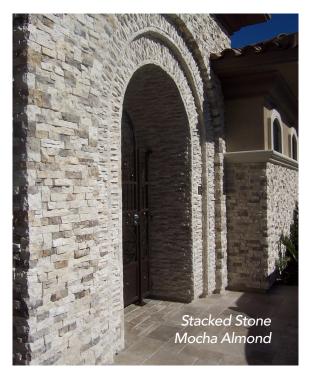




Hazelnut

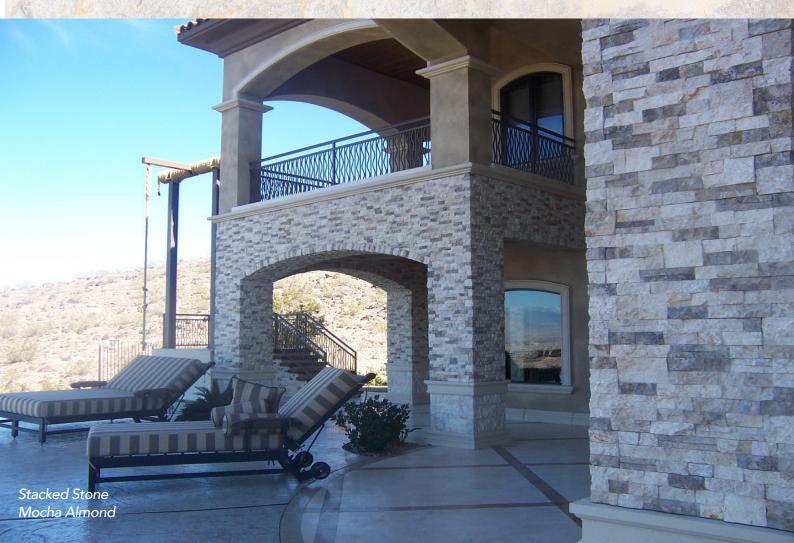


Oyster Gray Note: corners are available in all colors











### **SHADE GALLERY & SPLIT FACE**



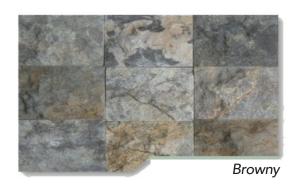














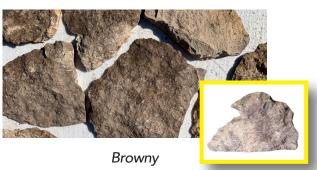


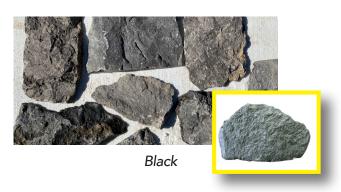
Chiseled stone piece, with a cloven look consisting of individual random length pieces.



### **TUSCAN ASHLAR**





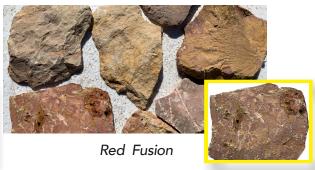




















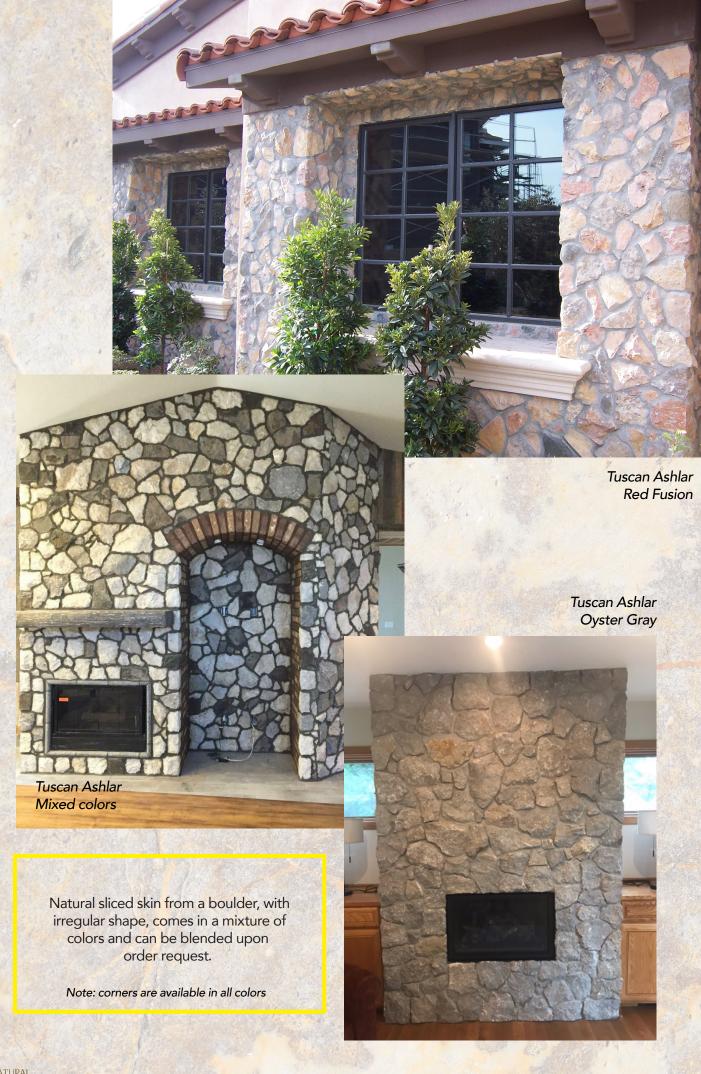
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Oyster Gray



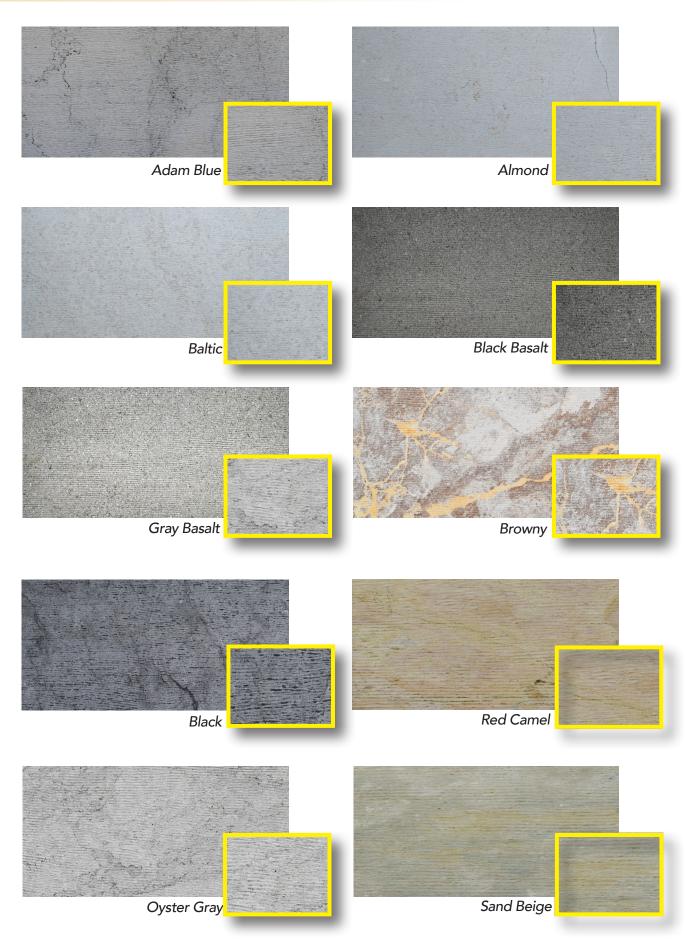


# TILES & SLABS

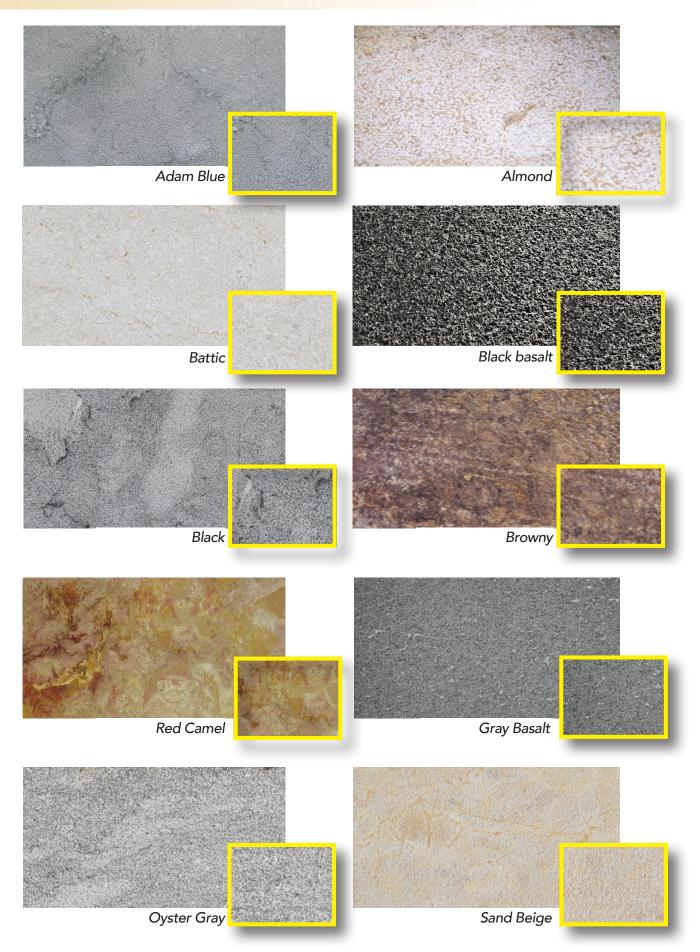
FLOOR, VANITY & WALLS



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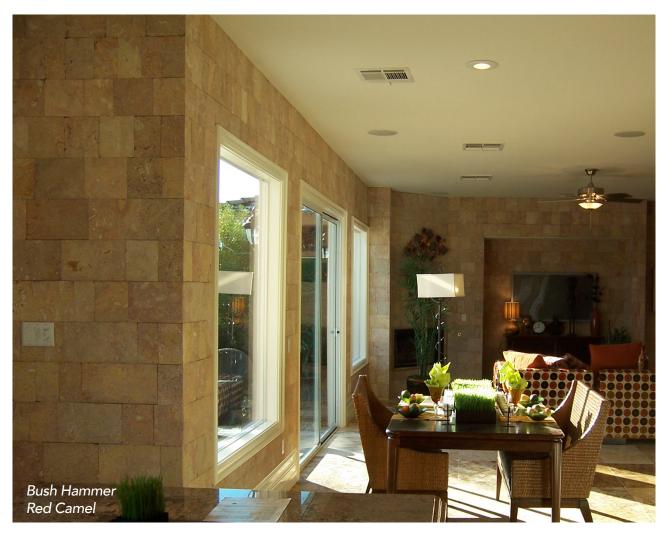


### **BUSH HAMMER**

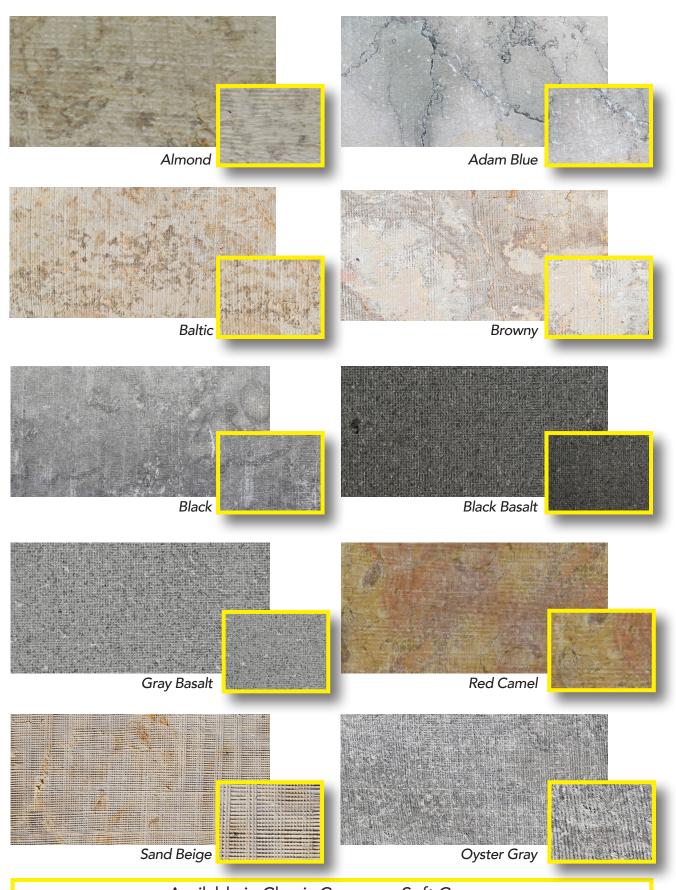




Available in Classic Bush Hammer or Brushed Bush Hammer

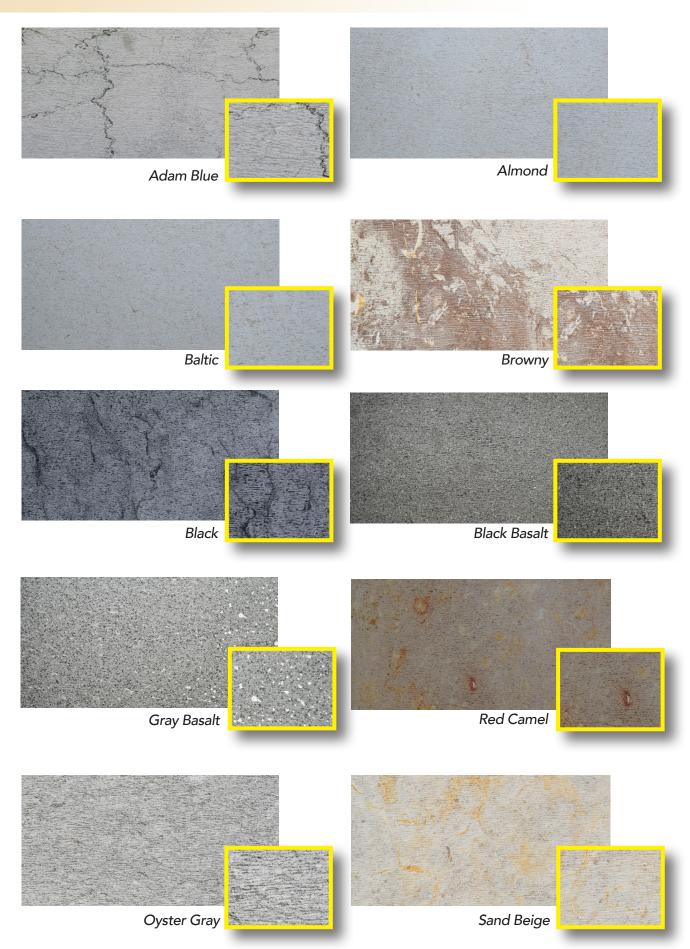


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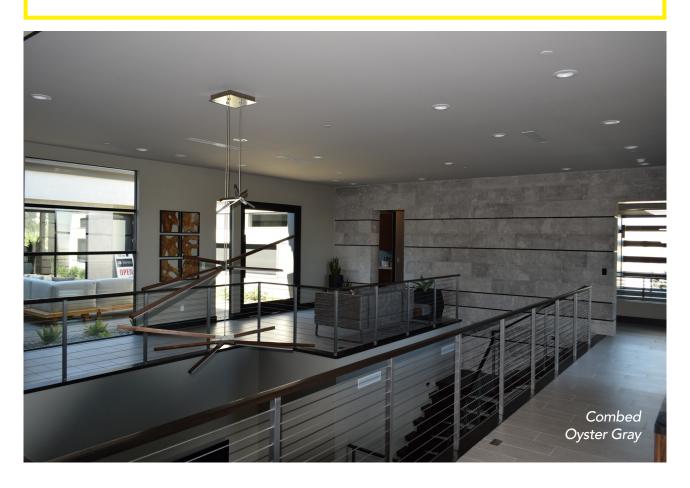
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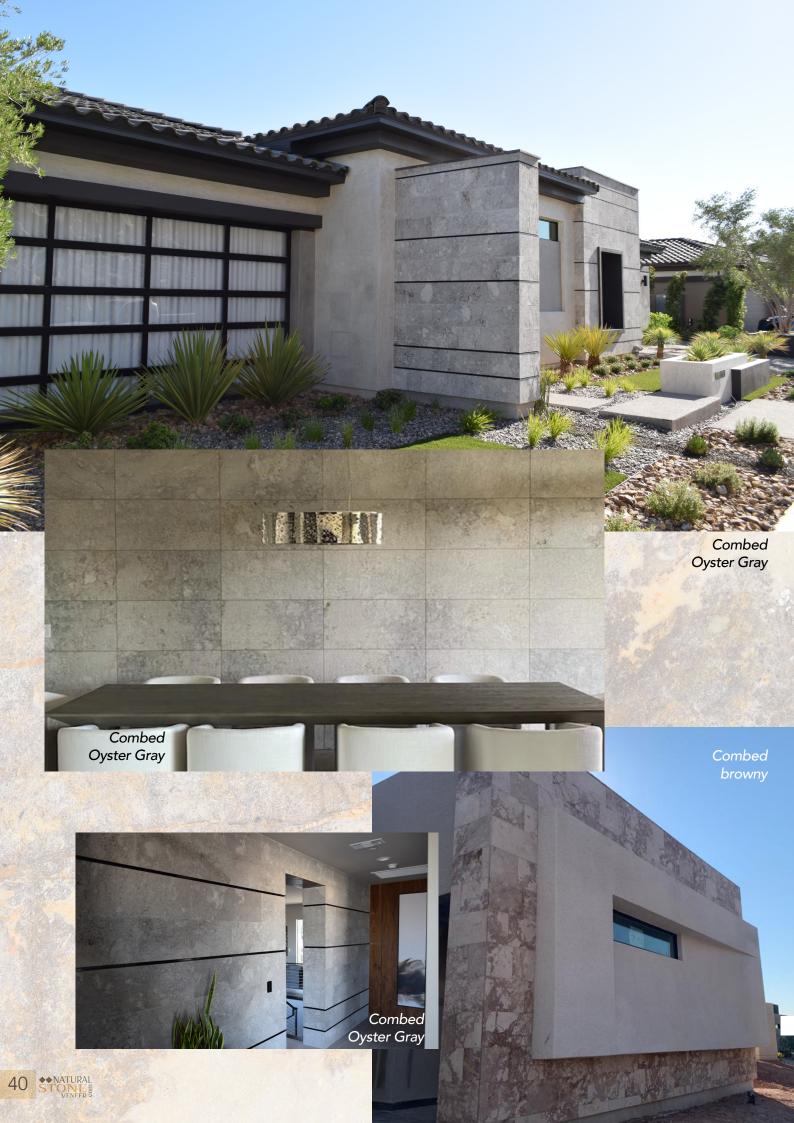
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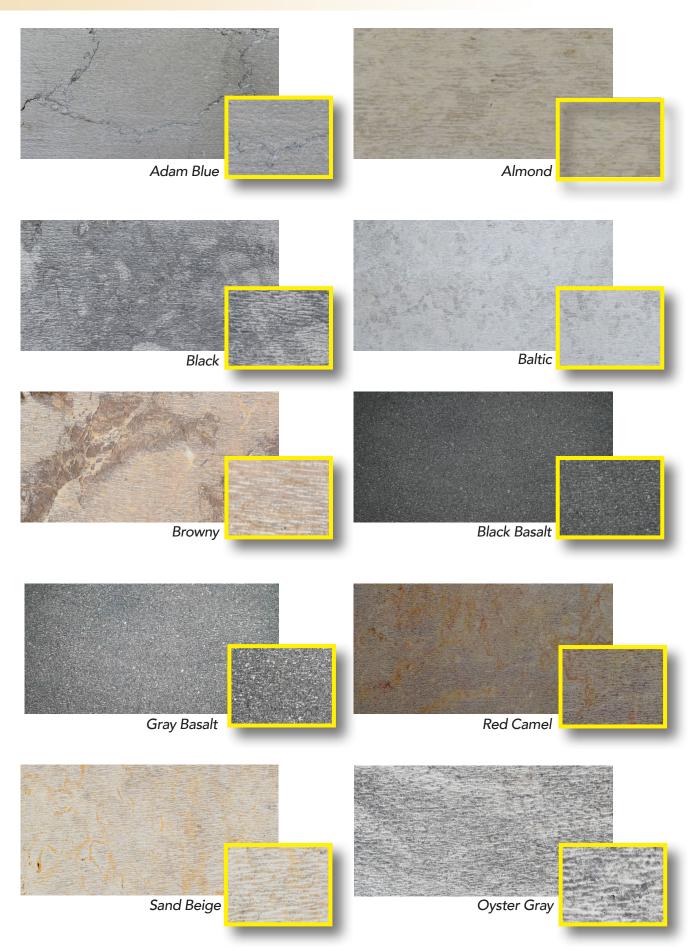


12,18" x36" or12,18" x Random Flat tile with combed texture with a half inch thickness

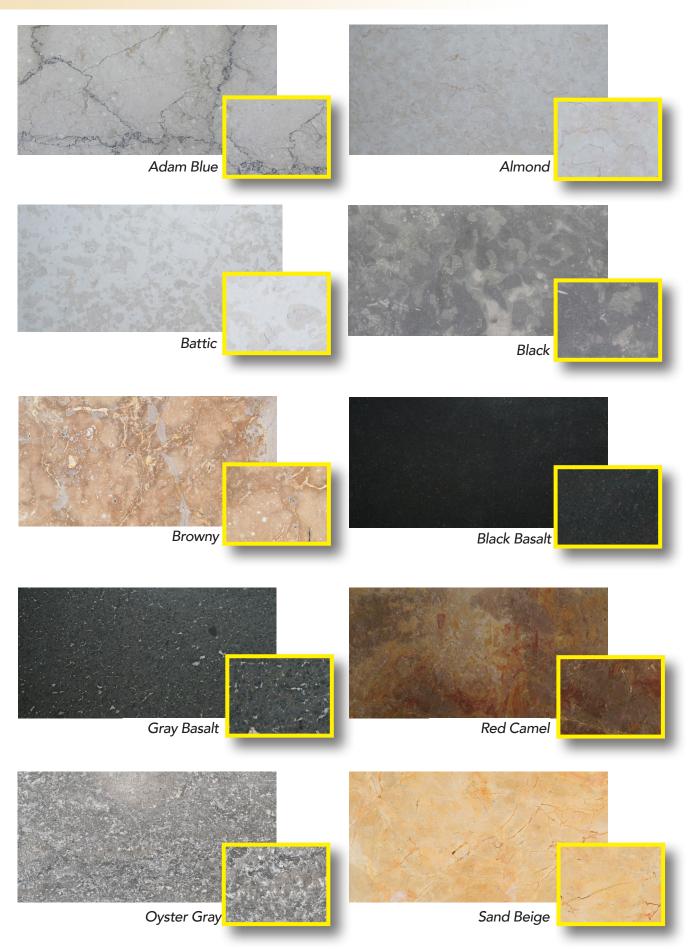




# **COMBED SOFT**



# **HONED & POLISHED**



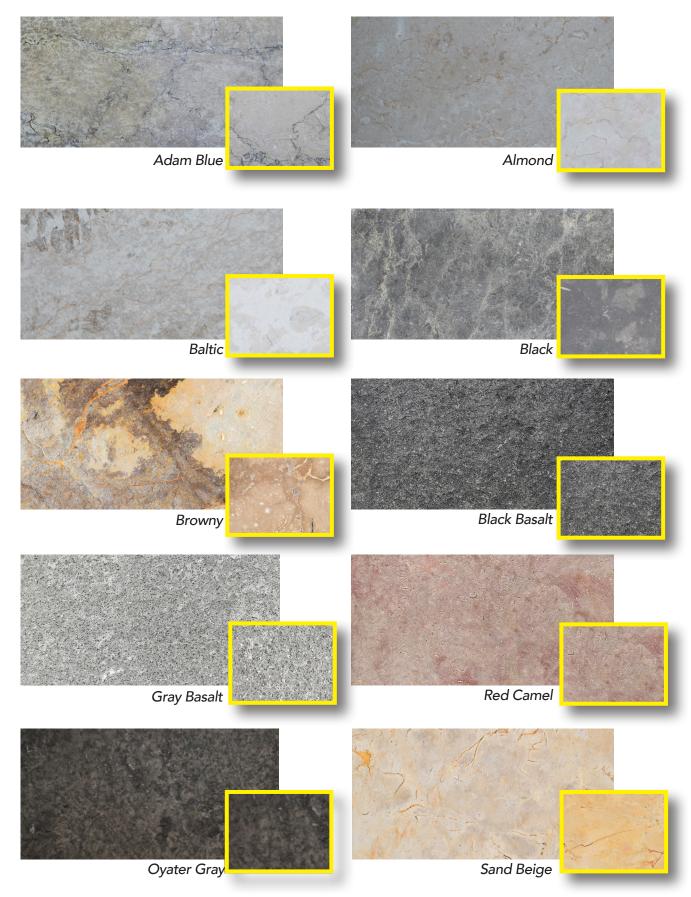


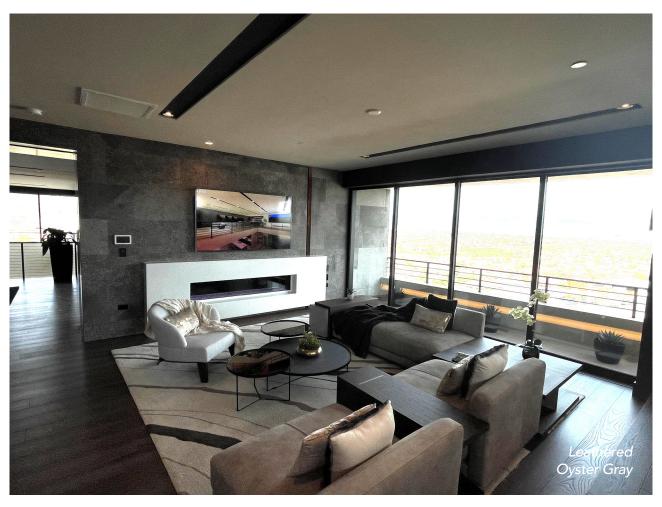
Flat tile with honed texture, with a half inch thickness

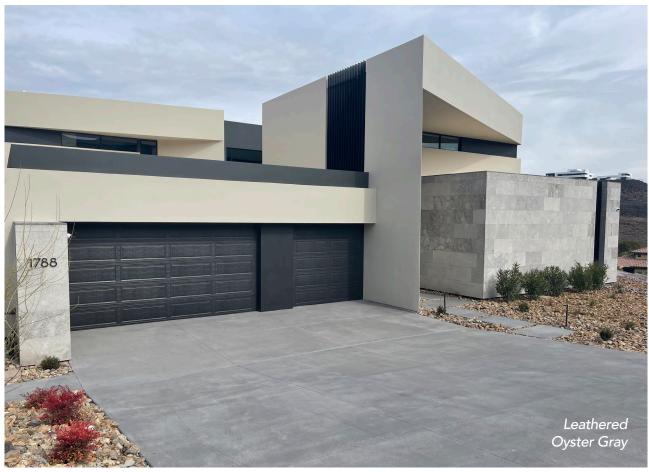




# **LEATHERED & BRUSHED**











#### **PARQUET**



Bush Hammer Battic



Bush Hammer Sand Beige



Bush Hammer Oyster Gray



Honed Battic



Honed Sand Beige



Honed Oyster Gray



Bush Hammer Honed Battic



Bush Hammer Honed Sand Beige



Bush Hammer Honed Oyster Gray

Mixture of finishes & sizes of high 2" 4" 6" tile pieces by random length with variable thickness. Stone pieces are glued together creating an 36x"8" solid panel

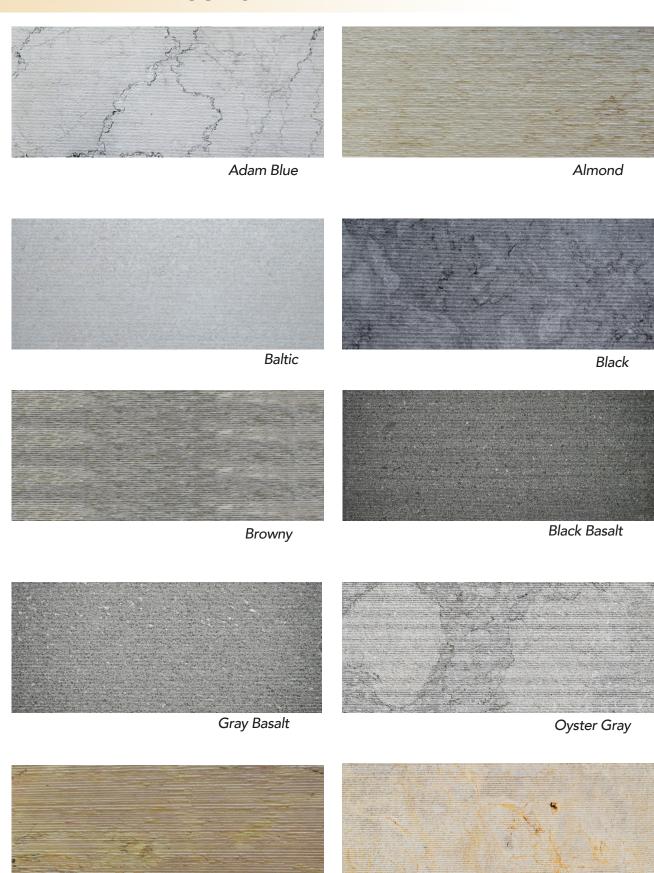








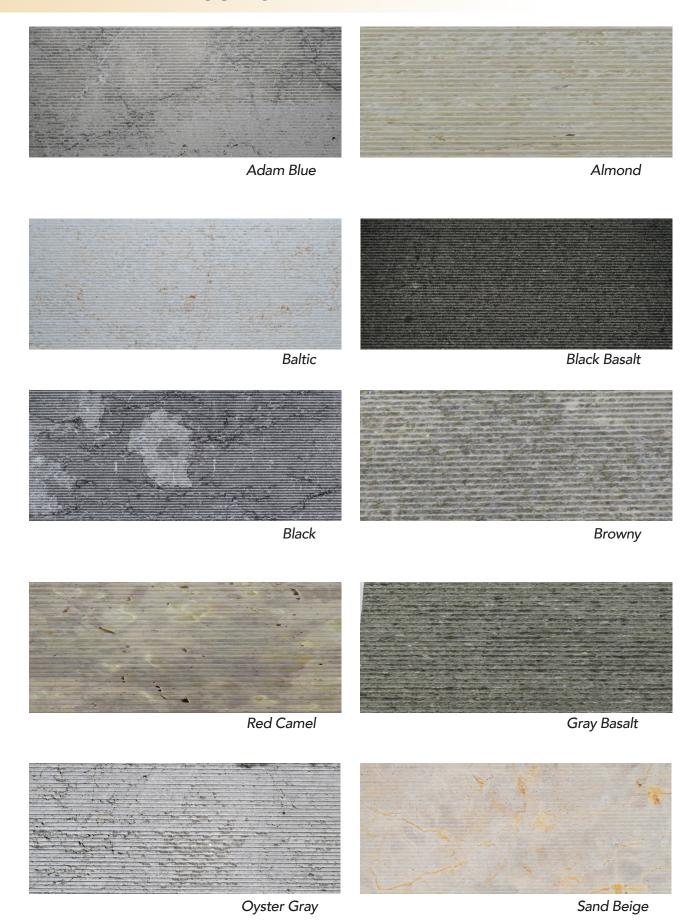
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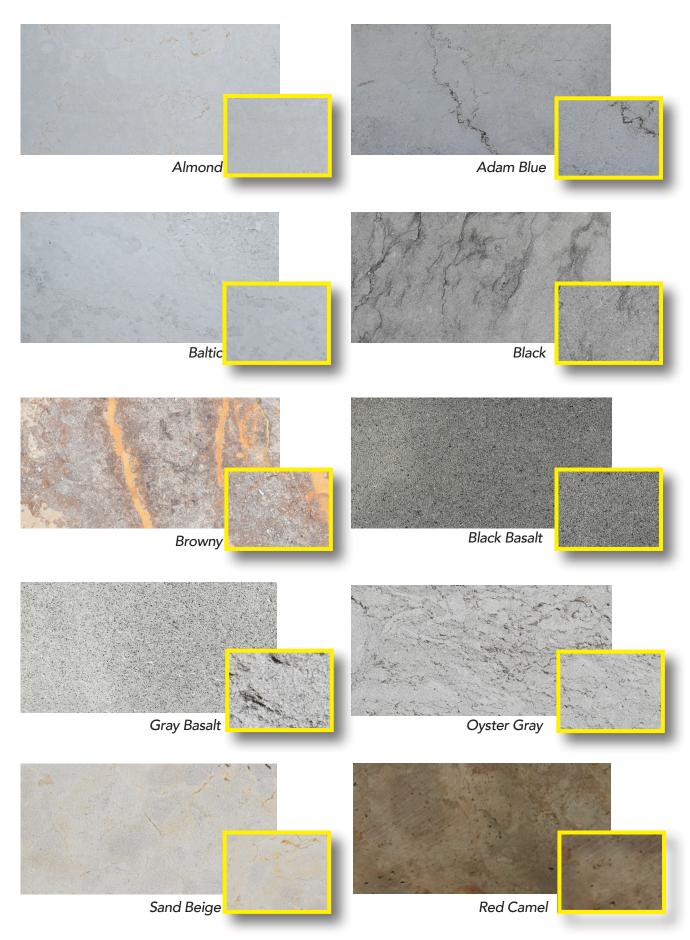
Red Camel

Sand Beige

# PASO 2.5MM



# **ROUGH SAWN & SAND BLASTED**



# SCORED HORIZONTAL 1CM



Baltic

Browny





**Red Camel** 

Oyster Gray

# **SCORED HORIZ. SKIP VERT.**

# SCORED VERT. HORIZ. 1CM





Black Basalt

Adam Blue

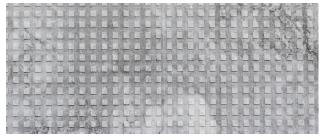




Gray Basalt

Almond

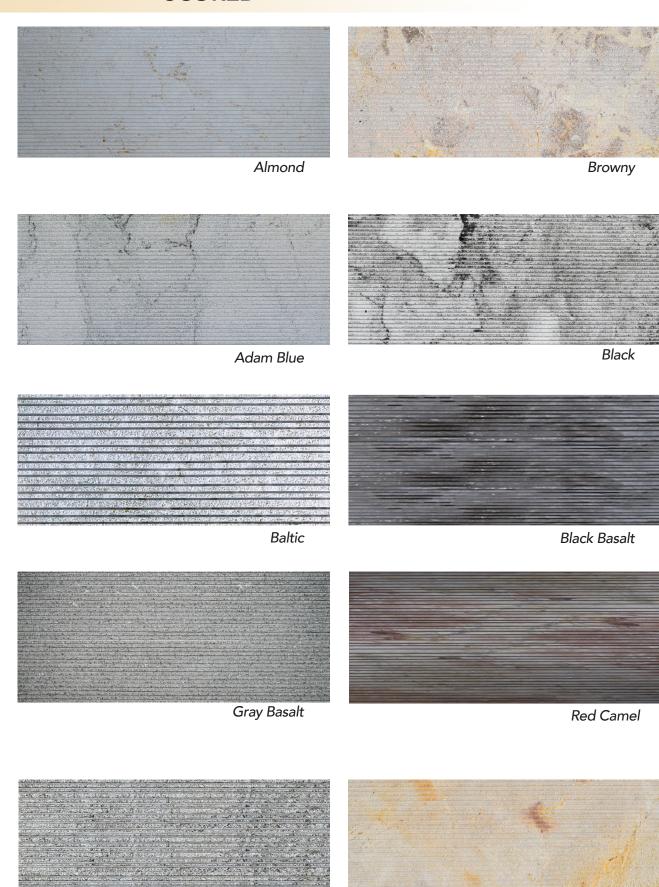




Sand Beige

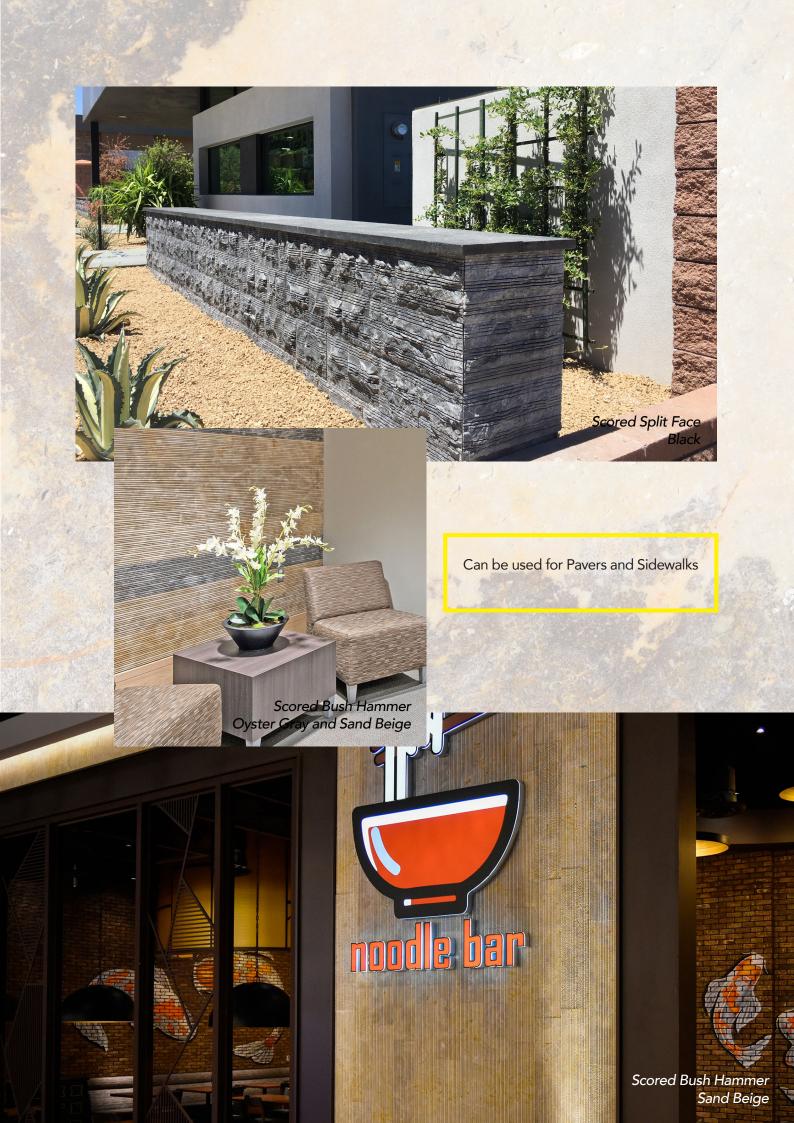
Black

# **SCORED**



Oyster Gray

Sand Beige



#### **SCORED CHISEL** 3/4"



Almond

Adam Blue







**Red Camel** 

# **SCORED CHISEL**

# **3MM**

# **SCORED FULL CHISEL**



Black Basalt



Baja Sand



Oyster Gray



**Oyster Shell** 



Sand Beige



Mocha Almond



# SCORED SKIP CHISEL 3MM





Adam Blue





Red Camel

Browny





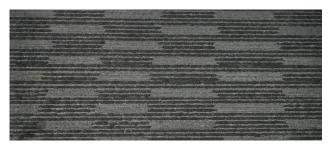
Oyster Gray

Sand Beige

# **SCORED UNIFORM SKIP CHISEL**

**3MM** 





Baltic

Black Basalt

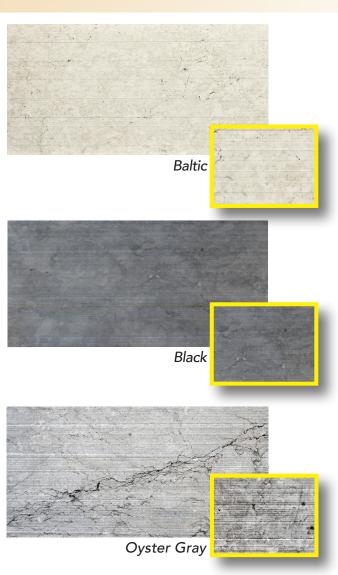




Black

**Gray Basalt** 

# **SEGMENTED**







# % LANDSCAPE POOL



# MOSAIC









Red Camel

Almond

Black



Mosaic / Pebble 6"x12" \_ 12x"12"

Small stone are tumbled to create a rustic finish

Interlocking Mosaic / Pebble Tumbled stone pieces



# **COPING, WALL CAPS & WAINSCOT**



Adam Blue



Almond



Baltic



Polished Oyster Gray



Polished Creamy Peach



Black



Leathered Sand Beige



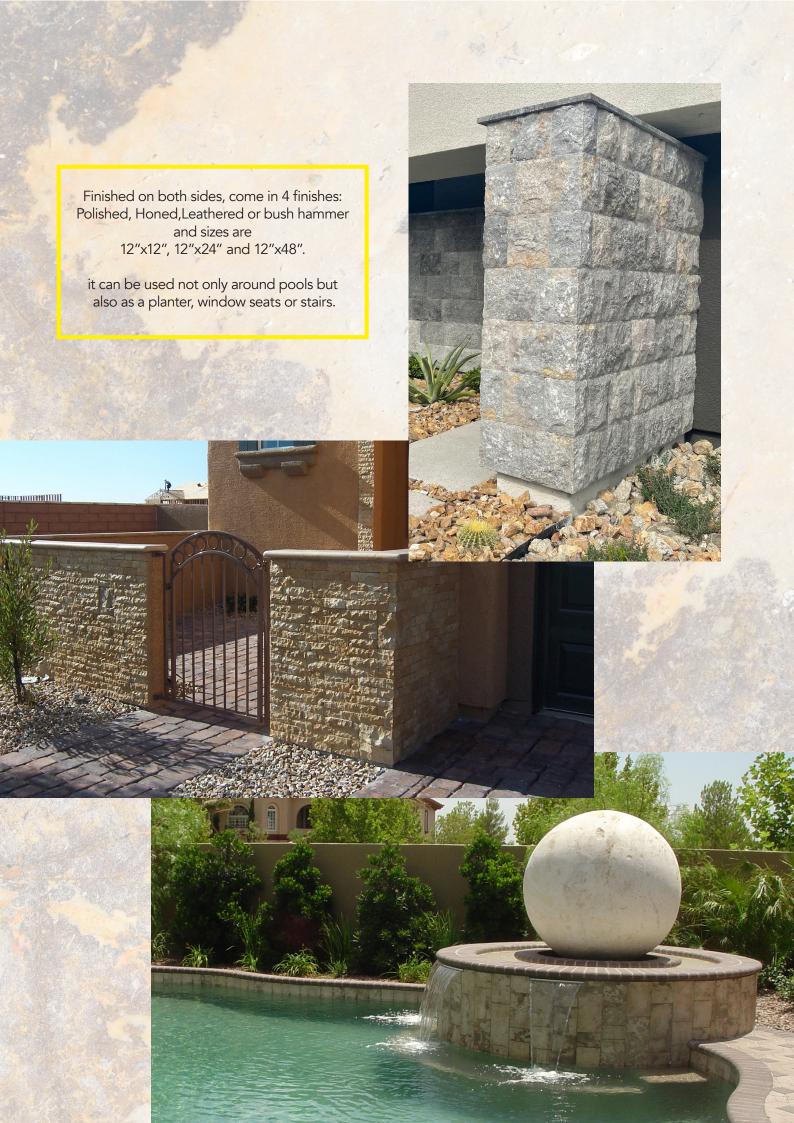
Honed Sand Beige Chiseled Edge



Leathered Browny



Sand Beige



### **WATER FEATURES**



Browny cone wok pod on Al-mond Column



Browny Square Wake Pod





Wake Pod circle scalloped edge Sand Beige



Cape Cod Wake Pod on column



Adam Blue, Ledge Stone



Natural Stone





Sand Beige



**Browny** 



# LIGHTING / SPEAKERS COVER





Sand Beige





Browny



# **BATHROOMS**



River Rock



Black Bush Hammer



Honed Oyster Gray



Oyster Gray









Vanity Top

Accessories

Sinks





# **TECHNICAL INFORMATION**

FINISHES	IN STOCK MATERIAL	CUSTOM
Biscotti	6" x 24" x 3/8" Thickness	Cut to size
Bush Hammer	8"x Random x 3/8" Thickness	Cut to size
Ledge Stone	6"x24" Standard Size 12"x24" Mesh	Cut to size
Rocky Mountain	12" x 24"	Cut to size
Rocky Mountain Tumbled	12" × 24"	Cut to size
Sienna	6" x 24" x 1/2" Thickness 8" x 36"x 1/2" Thickness	Cut to size
Split Face	6"x random x 1/2" Thickness 8"x random x 1/2" Thickness 12"x random x 1/2" Thickness	Cut to size
Stacked Stone	6" x 24" x 3/8" Thickness	Cut to size
Tuscan Ashlar	Random size	Cut to size
Blade	Cut to size	Cut to size
Blade Vertical Horizontal	Cut to size	Cut to size
Brush Bush Hammer	Cut to size	Cut to size
Canvas	12" x 36"	Cut to size
Combed	12"x36" x 1.6cm 12" x random x 1.6cm	Cut to size
Combed Brush	Cut to size	Cut to size
Combed leathered vertical Horizontal	Cut to size	Cut to size
Honed	24" x 24"x 3/4" Thickness 12" x 24"x 1/2" Thickness 8" x random x 1/2" Thickness 16"x8" x 1/2" Thickness 16"x16" x 1/2" Thickness 16"x24" x 1/2" Thickness	Cut to size
Honed with Chiseled Edges	12"x Random	Cut to size
Leathered	Cut to size	Cut to size
Parquet	8"x36"	Cut to size
Passo 1.5mm	Cut to size	Cut to size
Passo 1.5mm Vertical Horizontal	Cut to size	Cut to size
Passo 2.5mm	12"x36"x1/2" Thickness	Cut to size
Passo 2.5mm Vertical Horizontal	Cut to size	Cut to size
Rough Sawn	8"x Random x 3/8" Thickness 12" x 48"	Cut to size
Sand Blasted	Cut to size	Cut to size
Scored Full Chisel	8"x36" x1/2" Thickness 8"x Random x1/2" Thickness	Cut to size
Scored Bush Hammer	8"x36" x1/2" Thickness	Cut to size
Scored Bush Hammer 3mm	Cut to size	Cut to size
Scored Horizontal 1cm	Cut to size	Cut to size

FINISHES	IN STOCK MATERIAL	CUSTOM
Scored Horizontal Skip Vertical 1cm	Cut to size	Cut to size
Scored Vertical Horizontal 1cm	Cut to size	Cut to size
Scored Chisel 3mm	Cut to size	Cut to size
Scored Chisel 2cm	Cut to size	Cut to size
Scored Skip Chisel 3mm	Cut to size	Cut to size
Scored Chisel ¾"	Cut to size	Cut to size
Segmented	12"x random 12"x24" 12"x36"x1.6cm Thickness	Cut to size
Teakwood	Cut to size	Cut to size
Uniform Skip Scored Chisel	Cut to size	Cut to size
Mosaic	12"x12"x3/8" Thickness 6"x12"x3/8" Thickness Cut to size Interlocking	Cut to size
Coping/Wall caps	6"x12"x1 1/4"	Cut to size
Bullnose coping	12"x12"x1 1/2" Thick 12"x24"x1 1/2" Thick	Cut to size
Wainscot	2"x12"x1 1/2" Thick	Cut to size

Our Stone is a Natural solution for any design!

Textures and sizes are not limited to what is stated above. We also "Cut to Size" any design you have in mind.



You have the option of ordering any size from our wide selection, so be creative! Keep in mind, one-piece seamless corners are available as well.

Our product is a natural stone, which can have a color variance from 10% to 40%.

COLORS	DESCRIPTION	
Adam Blue	Light Gray background with veins of light and dark blue	
Almond	Consistent light almond color with minimal variation	
Battic	Almond based with small flecks of seashell	
Black	Charcoal color with minimal variation in shades	
Baja Sand	Mixture of Sand Beige and Browny	
Browny	Caramel color with splotches of dark brown	
Cape Cod	Battic Based color with a high percentage of grayish seashells	
Creamy Chocolate	Milk chocolate color with a small percentage of cream color	
Creamy Peach	Blend of tan, beige and peach shades	
Chocolate Swirl	Mixture of Creamy Chocolate wavy honey colors	
Desert Sand	Medium beige based color contained with black speckled veins	
Desert Sun	Mixture of Desert Sand, Sand Beige and Red Cherry	
Hazelnut	Mixture of Sand Beige, Red Camel and Browny Colors	
Oyster Gray	Combination of light to dark tones of gray	
Oyster Shell	Mixture of Almond, Battic and Oyster Gray colors	
Sierra Passion	A mustard based color with red wine splotches and knots	
Red Camel	A mustard based color with red wine splotches and knots	
Red Cherry	Red and beige base color with black speckled veins	
Red Fusion	Mustered based color with red wine splotches and knots mixed with a blend of tan, beige and peach shades	
Red Rock	Varying shades of rosy brick, mixed with gold and cream hues	
Rojo Blush	Tan base with shades of red and black speckled veins	
Rosso	Variation of tan base with red spots	
Mocha Almond	Mixture of Almond, Battic and Browny colors	
Mocha Latte	Mixture of 3 light colors Almond Baltic and Cape Cod	
Sand Beige	Beige colored with minimal variation	
Wavy honey	A high variation of earth tone colors including honey cream and milk chocolate shades	
Gray Basalt	Asphalt gray with black specs	
Black Basalt	Dark color with minimal variation in shades	

We stock over 500,000 square feet of various colors and finishes in our warehouse. Our stone veneer is shipped in crates that are securely cushioned with Styrofoam.

We ship all over the USA and internationally using either our shipper or yours. You can also mix and match colors as well as finishes for a genuine look of your own.

#### **INSTALLATION GUIDE**

Natural Stone Veneer is installed just like tile, using thin-set and cutting with a wet saw. You can install on exterior brown coat of stucco, cement boards and masonry blocks. Installation on interior surfaces can be done the same way as exterior, or on walls like drywall or plywood by screwing a wire mesh, before laying the veneer. Make sure that the substrate is attached properly to the structure, prior to installation. Please read instructions on using thin-set, to insure maximum adherence onto substrate, and check below instructions.

#### **PREPARATION**

- 1- Tools: ¼" Trowel, saw, brushes, cutting tools, sponges for cleaning,
- 2- Make sure that all the areas receiving stone are cleaned, plumbed and leveled.
- 3- Make sure to have a clean stone cut and do not forget to clean the backside of each tile, before laying it.

#### **INSTALLATION**

- 1- Apply a moisture vapor barrier if needed, when you are doing an exterior application. Peel back the outer layer to expose the sticky backside of the membrane and simply stick it onto your surface.
- 2- Apply liquid waterproofing all over the surface and allow it to dry based on the duration of each product referring to the manufacture's recommendations and specifications
- 3- After finishing the waterproofing coat. Screw a metal lath using 1"1/2 screws. Screws shall be placed on the lath reaching the wood frames leaving a 6" horizontally between each screw. (Metal Lath is required only on drywall. Cement boards, stucco, and masonry block do not require metal lath installation).
- 4- Use a 1/4" trowel to cover completely (100%) the backside of each stone tile with thin-set. Add scratch coat with thin set using your 1/4" trowel. Before the scratch coat dries, scrape horizontal grooves into it, and allow it to set up. Then lay your stone.

#### LIFE TIME WARRANTY

- 1- The warranty stands when used on structures that conform to local codes, and when installed according to the adhesion manufacturer's specifications.
- 2- Warranty does not cover damage or falling down stone resulting from building settlement, substrate cracking, improper installation, wall movement, and/or Acts of God.
- 3- Natural Stone Veneer is not liable for structure design and engineering flaws, aesthetics of installed products, or workmanship.
- 4- Our stone is a dolomitic limestone, which is a very dense stone compared to other natural stone, it has been tested for freeze and de thawed weather and all other weather conditions.
- 5- NATURAL STONE VENEER warrants defective-free products for a limited lifetime to the original purchaser and may not be transferred.



#### **QUESTIONS & ANSWERS**

#### 1. Is this dolomitic limestone, limestone or manufactured stone?

Our stone is dolomitic limestone, which is much denser than limestone, and since it is natural stone, the color is all the way through, unlike the manufactured stone.

The crystals in dolomitic limestone acts as a natural sealant, creating a dense product to sustain all weather conditions. This product is defined by its durability and high density. It is quarried in a tropical area, which has sustained the water climate for millions of years.

#### 2. How long we have been in business?

We have been in business for 21 years. We created the idea of natural stone thin veneer.

#### 3. Does natural stone veneer have a warranty?

Yes, NATURAL STONE VENEER has a limited lifetime warranty provided to the original purchaser.

# 4. How and where this product is being sold? Will the price varies for larger quantity?

Our product is being sold nationally and internationally. Prices vary depending on quantity; you can order it by pallet size or by container size.

#### 5. Do you custom order?

We do cut-to-size order. We can custom fabricate any finish, color or size you want.

#### 6. Where can this stone be used?

Almost anywhere, you can think of on any exterior or interior surfaces. (Interior and exterior walls, fireplaces, kitchen, bathrooms, bars, cellars, as a trim or border around windows, pool decks, etc., you be the creator.)

#### 7. Why use Natural Stone Veneer versus full body stone cladding?

- Less weight on structure since it's thinner, thickness range (3/8" to 1-1/2")
- Goes over normal foundation without having to increase its size
- Gives you the same look by using corners if available or mitering the flats if not available.

#### 8. Can this stone be submerged in water?

Yes it can be submerged in water due to its density and low absorption rate.

#### 9. Can NATURAL STONE VENEER be installed vertically or horizontally?

Depending on your design, you can install the stone in whichever direction you want, and create patterns with different sizes and finishes as well. In addition, you can mix colors in one order, to achieve more variety.

#### 10. What about waste?

The waste factor is 10% to 20% of the total needed quantity. However, in Natural Stone Veneer, you can always use any broken piece, and reuse it to stagger the joints. It will always look natural.

#### 11. How much color variance in your product?

Color variance depends on selected color, and could vary between 10% to 40%. Your installer should always examine the entire shipment of purchased stone and prepare your design by mixing and matching the colors visually, before installation, to achieve the best result. (Please check the color variance sheet for more details)

#### 12. How natural stone veneer is installed?

Natural stone veneer is installed just like tile, using thin-set or any set material, made for natural stone products or marble tile. It can be cut with a wet saw, and installed on exterior stucco surfaces, cement boards and masonry block. Installation on interior surfaces can be the same as exterior or on surfaces like cement boards or painted drywall, using a wire mesh screwed on painted drywall. Make sure that the substrate is attached properly to the structure prior of installation, and read instructions on using thinset to insure adherence onto substrate. (Please check installation guide for more details)

#### 13. Does natural stone veneer need to be mechanically attached?

Natural Stone Veneer has been engineered to be installed on an existing foundation, (supporting 50lbs./sq. ft.) without major preparation to the structure, which would make Natural Stone Veneer one of the lightest stone veneer. Therefore, it could be installed using thin-set for higher elevations. (Please check with your structural engineer to verify your local codes.)

#### 14. What thin-set (adhesion) color should I use?

Using white thin set will keep the stone lighter. If you use grey colored thin-set, it will darken the stone one shade darker.

#### 15. How do I finish exposed edge?

Natural Stone Veneer offers stone corners and caps to cover exposed edges. We have corners and caps to cover exposed edges.

#### 16. Does natural stone veneer needs grouting?

Grouting will depend on your taste and the look you are trying to achieve. Our product can be butt joint with no grout line.

Sometimes grouting is used in a freezing climate to prevent the water to go behind the stone. When butt joint use non-sanded grout to allow the grout to fit in joint.

You can use ¼" grout to achieve certain look.

#### 17. Do I have to seal natural stone veneer?

Sealing the stone is not necessary. However, it can be added as extra protection especially for the grout lines in freezing and de-thawed areas, or to prevent water seeping behind the stone if exposed to water regularly. Two sealants can be used – deep sealer and surface sealer. The deep sealer will not change the natural look of the stone. The surface sealer will enhance the colors of the stone and can add either a glossy or a matt finish. Wet a sample with water and this will illustrate the color after surface sealing.

#### 18. How do I maintain natural stone veneer?

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The condition of the surfaces where you intend to install our product, your weather and other factor, beyond our knowledge and control, make all of the above suggestions only for general conditions

All above figures can be changed depending on your jurisdictions and construction code enforcement. Check with your local structural engineer for all the specifics on your project

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