

# STONE FILL

# Castable Granite Effect Fillers

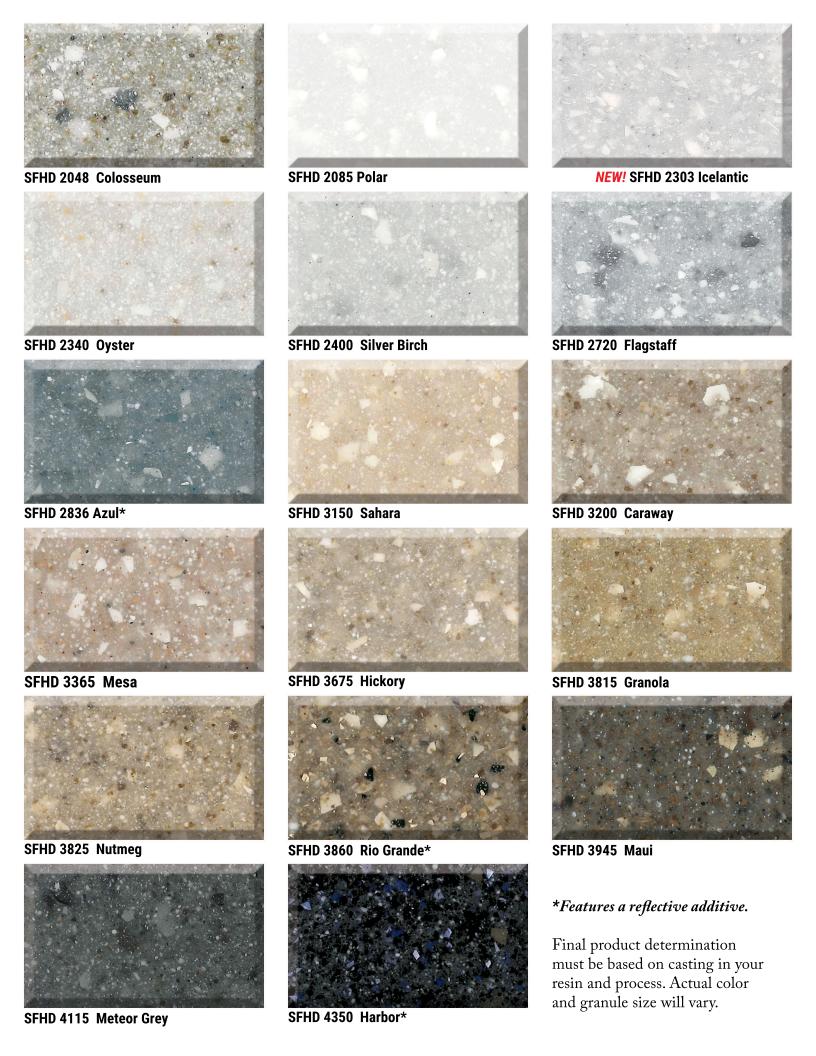
Stone Fill HD & Stone Fill granite effect materials are designed for casting behind clear gel coat. Stone Fill HD offers a high definition large aggregate appearance which adds another unique option for marble manufacturers that compliments the already popular Stone Fill line.

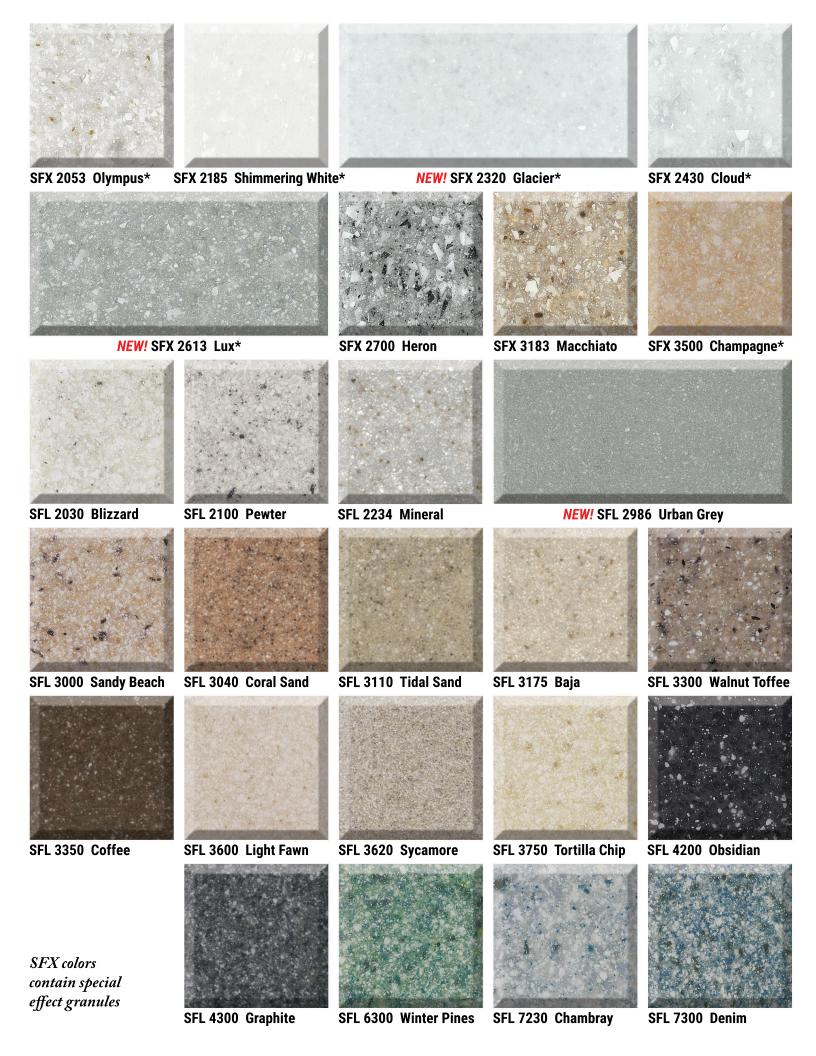


# Stone Fill HD & Stone Fill offer the following features:

- ♦ In stock, ready to ship.
  - "Quick Ship" available
- ♦ One bag, preblended mix
- Good filler suspension in a casting resin
- ♦ Color consistency from batch to batch
- ♦ Same appearance is obtained when casting on vertical & horizontal surfaces







# Suggestions For Use:

#### Gelcoat

We recommend that a gelcoat be used on all gravity cast, Stone Fill & Stone Fill HD granite effect products. A gelcoat thickness of 22-25 mils (wet) is recommended. To obtain a satin finish use a 400 to 600 grit sand paper or a 3M "Scotch Brite" pad. Gelcoat protection is necessary with this material to ensure chemical, stain and blush resistance.

### Resin Suggestions / Mixing Instructions

A clear onyx or swing type resin is recommended due to the translucent nature of the material, however, you may use a general purpose marble casting resin. The appearance of the Stone Fill & Stone Fill HD final product may vary in color and translucency when different resins are used.

#### - SFHD / SFX

The recommended resin level for Stone Fill HD and SFX granite is 36-39% by weight. This resin percent will vary based on resin viscosity and temperature. Due to the delicate nature of the thin chips in Stone Fill HD, please mix carefully. We suggest mixing the resin & catalyst first, then add the Stone Fill HD and mix until filler wet out. Also, increasing the resin percent will reduce the matrix viscosity which decreases shear stress.

#### - SFL

The recommended resin level for Stone Fill granite is 30-35% by weight. This resin percent will vary based on resin viscosity and temperature.

### Catalyst Level

The catalyst level should be about the same as cultured marble. A 1% catalyst level is a good starting point. The gel time for the granite matrix should be between 20 and 30 minutes.

## **Matrix Consistency**

When the resin level is as recommended, the flow characteristics should be similar to cultured marble.

#### Vibration

Use standard marble manufacturing practices regarding vibration.

# Thermal Cycling

When poured by standard marble manufacturing procedures Stone Fill & Stone Fill HD granite effect fillers will exceed all industry standards.

If using less than a full bag, we suggest mixing material in the bag thoroughly before using. Material may segregate during shipping. Due to the translucent nature of these products, backfilling with any other material is not recommended. These suggestions are not meant to represent a guarantee. Each manufacturer must evaluate Stone Fill & Stone Fill HD materials and judge the suitability in their own system.



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