

# SAFETY DATA SHEET

## 1. IDENTIFICATION OF THE MATERIAL AND SUPPLIER

### 1.1 Product identifier

**Product name** NATURAL STONE SLABS OR TILES - GRANITE - BLACK - NERO  
**Synonyms** BASALT • BASALTO • DOLERITE • GABBRO

### 1.2 Uses and uses advised against

**Uses** BENCHTOPS • BUILDING MATERIAL • CLADDING • CONSTRUCTION MATERIAL • TILE

### 1.3 Details of the supplier of the product

**Supplier name** WK MARBLE & GRANITE  
**Address** 129 Fairford Road, Padstow, NSW, 2211, AUSTRALIA  
**Telephone** (02) 9772 9888  
**Fax** (02) 9772 9889  
**Website** <https://www.wk.com.au>

### 1.4 Emergency telephone numbers

**Emergency** 13 11 26

## 2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

### 2.1 Classification of the substance or mixture

CLASSIFIED AS HAZARDOUS ACCORDING TO SAFE WORK AUSTRALIA CRITERIA

#### Physical Hazards

Not classified as a Physical Hazard

#### Health Hazards

Carcinogenicity: Category 1  
Specific Target Organ Toxicity (Repeated Exposure): Category 1

#### Environmental Hazards

Not classified as an Environmental Hazard

### 2.2 GHS Label elements

**Signal word** DANGER

**Pictograms**



#### Hazard statements

H350i May cause cancer by inhalation.  
H372 Causes damage to organs through prolonged or repeated exposure.

#### Prevention statements

P201 Obtain special instructions before use.  
P202 Do not handle until all safety precautions have been read and understood.  
P260 Do not breathe dust/fume/gas/mist/vapours/spray.  
P264 Wash thoroughly after handling.  
P270 Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product.  
P281 Use personal protective equipment as required.

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**Response statements**

P308 + P313 IF exposed or concerned: Get medical advice/ attention.

**Storage statements**

P405 Store locked up.

**Disposal statements**

P501 Dispose of contents/container in accordance with relevant regulations.

**2.3 Other hazards**

The solid product as supplied is classified as non-hazardous under normal conditions and does not present an inhalation, ingestion, skin, or eye hazard. However, dust created when the product is cut, grinded and machined may contain crystalline silica some of which may be respirable (particles small enough to go into deep parts of the lung when breathed in). Repeated overexposure to crystalline silica for extended periods may result in silicosis.

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**3. COMPOSITION/ INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS**

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**3.1 Substances / Mixtures**

Ingredient	CAS Number	EC Number	Content
QUARTZ (CRYSTALLINE SILICA)	14808-60-7	238-878-4	38 to 54%
ALUMINIUM OXIDE	1344-28-1	215-691-6	3 to 19%
CALCIUM OXIDE	1305-78-8	215-138-9	6 to 17%
SODIUM OXIDE	1313-59-3	215-208-9	<5%
TITANIUM DIOXIDE	13463-67-7	236-675-5	1 to 5%
MANGANESE OXIDE	11129-60-5	234-378-5	<1%
PHOSPHORUS OXIDE	-	-	<1%
IRON OXIDE(S)	-	-	<19%
MAGNESIUM OXIDE(S)	-	-	3 to 13%
POTASSIUM OXIDE	12136-45-7	235-227-6	<3%

**Ingredient Notes** Respirable crystalline silica may be generated when product is cut, grinded or polished.

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**4. FIRST AID MEASURES**

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**4.1 Description of first aid measures**

**Eye** (Dust exposure) Flush gently with running water, irrigating under eyelids. Seek medical attention if irritation develops.

**Inhalation** (Dust exposure) If inhaled remove from contaminated area. Apply artificial respiration if not breathing.

**Skin** (Dust exposure) Gently flush affected areas with water. Seek medical attention if irritation develops.

**Ingestion** Due to product form and application, ingestion is considered unlikely.

**First aid facilities** Eye wash facilities and safety shower should be available, particularly when dust is generated.

**4.2 Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed**

This material may only present a hazard if cut, sanded or drilled with dust generation. Chronic exposure to dust may result in lung fibrosis (silicosis).

**4.3 Immediate medical attention and special treatment needed**

Treat symptomatically.

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**5. FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES**

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**5.1 Extinguishing media**

Use an extinguishing agent suitable for the surrounding fire.

**5.2 Special hazards arising from the substance or mixture**

Non flammable. May evolve toxic gases if strongly heated.

**5.3 Advice for firefighters**

No fire or explosion hazard exists.

**5.4 Hazchem code**

None allocated.

**6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES**

**6.1 Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures**

Wear Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) as detailed in section 8 of the SDS.

**6.2 Environmental precautions**

Prevent product from entering drains and waterways.

**6.3 Methods of cleaning up**

If spilt, collect and reuse where possible. Avoid generating dust. Avoid generating dust. Dust is best cleaned up using wet methods or an approved industrial vacuum device.

**6.4 Reference to other sections**

See Sections 8 and 13 for exposure controls and disposal.

**7. HANDLING AND STORAGE**

**7.1 Precautions for safe handling**

Before use carefully read the product label. Use of safe work practices are recommended to avoid eye or skin contact and inhalation. Observe good personal hygiene, including washing hands before eating. Prohibit eating, drinking and smoking in contaminated areas. Product should not be processed using dry cutting, wet methods only should be used.

**7.2 Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities**

Ensure material is adequately labelled and protected from physical damage. Avoid generating dust.

**7.3 Specific end uses**

No information provided.

**8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS / PERSONAL PROTECTION**

**8.1 Control parameters**

Exposure standards \*refer local state regulators

Ingredient	Reference	TWA		STEL	
		ppm	mg/m <sup>3</sup>	ppm	mg/m <sup>3</sup>
Aluminium & compounds	SWA [Proposed]	--	1	--	--
Aluminium oxide (a)	SWA [AUS]	--	10	--	--
Calcium oxide	SWA [AUS]	--	2	--	--
Calcium oxide	SWA [Proposed]	--	1	--	--
Iron oxide fume (Fe <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub> ) (as Fe)	SWA [AUS]	--	5	--	--
Manganese, dust & compounds (as Mn)	SWA [AUS]	--	1	--	--
Manganese, fume (as Mn)	SWA [AUS]	--	1	--	3
Quartz (respirable dust)	SWA [AUS]	--	0.1	--	--
Quartz (respirable dust)	SWA [Proposed]	--	0.05*	--	--
Titanium dioxide (a)	SWA [AUS]	--	10	--	--

**Biological limits**

No biological limit values have been entered for this product.

**8.2 Exposure controls**

**Engineering controls**

Avoid inhalation. Use in well ventilated areas. Where an inhalation risk exists, mechanical extraction ventilation is recommended. Wet cut, polish, sand, grind or drill only. Maintain dust levels below the recommended exposure standard.

**PPE**

<b>Eye / Face</b>	If cutting or sanding with potential for dust generation, wear dust-proof goggles.
<b>Hands</b>	Wear leather or cotton gloves.
<b>Body</b>	Not required under normal conditions of use.
<b>Respiratory</b>	All efforts should be made to avoid uncontrolled dry cutting, sanding, polishing, grinding or drilling, but if alterations are unavoidable use a half face (negative pressure) with minimum P1 or P2 particulate respirator & tools that have water suppression & on tool dust extraction with H class rating. Consultation with relevant State Worksafe offices for further details is recommended.



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**9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES**

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**9.1 Information on basic physical and chemical properties**

<b>Appearance</b>	COLOURED SOLID STONE
<b>Odour</b>	ODOURLESS
<b>Flammability</b>	NON FLAMMABLE
<b>Flash point</b>	NOT RELEVANT
<b>Boiling point</b>	NOT AVAILABLE
<b>Melting point</b>	NOT AVAILABLE
<b>Evaporation rate</b>	NOT AVAILABLE
<b>pH</b>	NOT AVAILABLE
<b>Vapour density</b>	NOT AVAILABLE
<b>Specific gravity</b>	NOT AVAILABLE
<b>Solubility (water)</b>	INSOLUBLE
<b>Vapour pressure</b>	NOT AVAILABLE
<b>Upper explosion limit</b>	NOT RELEVANT
<b>Lower explosion limit</b>	NOT RELEVANT
<b>Partition coefficient</b>	NOT AVAILABLE
<b>Autoignition temperature</b>	NOT AVAILABLE
<b>Decomposition temperature</b>	NOT AVAILABLE
<b>Viscosity</b>	NOT AVAILABLE
<b>Explosive properties</b>	NOT EXPLOSIVE
<b>Oxidising properties</b>	NON OXIDISING
<b>Odour threshold</b>	NOT AVAILABLE

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**10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY**

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**10.1 Reactivity**

Carefully review all information provided in sections 10.2 to 10.6.

**10.2 Chemical stability**

Stable under recommended conditions of storage.

**10.3 Possibility of hazardous reactions**

Polymerization is not expected to occur.

**10.4 Conditions to avoid**

Avoid dust formation.

**10.5 Incompatible materials**

Incompatible with strong acids (e.g. hydrochloric acid).

**10.6 Hazardous decomposition products**

This material will not decompose to form hazardous products.

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**11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

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**11.1 Information on toxicological effects**

**Acute toxicity** This product is expected to be of low toxicity. Ingestion is considered unlikely due to product form.

**Information available for the ingredients:**

Ingredient	Oral LD50	Dermal LD50	Inhalation LC50
ALUMINIUM OXIDE	> 5000 mg/kg (rat)	--	--
TITANIUM DIOXIDE	5000 mg/kg (rat)	--	3.43 - 6.82 mg/L air (rat)

**Skin** Mechanical irritant. Prolonged or repeated contact may result in mild irritation due to mechanical action.

**Eye** Mechanical irritant. Due to product form and nature of use, the potential for exposure is reduced. Product may only present a hazard if material is cut, drilled or sanded with dust generation, which may result in mechanical irritation. Prolonged contact with dust may cause burns.

**Sensitisation** Not classified as causing skin or respiratory sensitisation.

**Mutagenicity** Not classified as a mutagen.

**Carcinogenicity** Dust created when the product is cut, grinded and machined may contain crystalline silica some of which may be respirable (particles small enough to go into deep parts of the lung when breathed in). Crystalline silica is classified as carcinogenic to humans (IARC Group 1). However, there is sufficient information to conclude that the relative risk of lung cancer is increased in persons with silicosis. Therefore, preventing the onset of silicosis will also reduce the cancer risk.

**Reproductive** Not classified as a reproductive toxin.

**STOT - single exposure** Dust can be generated during cutting of the product. Dusts are mechanical irritants that may cause throat irritation.

**STOT - repeated exposure** This product contains crystalline silica (quartz) in a non-respirable form. Inhalation of crystalline silica is unlikely to occur from exposure to this product. However, dust created when the product is cut, grinded and machined may contain respirable crystalline silica (particles small enough to go into deep parts of the lung when breathed in). Repeated overexposure to crystalline silica for extended periods may result in silicosis.

**Aspiration** Not applicable for solids.

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**12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

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**12.1 Toxicity**

The substance is inert and there is no evidence of significant toxicity.

**12.2 Persistence and degradability**

Being inorganic, the substance will not biodegrade.

**12.3 Bioaccumulative potential**

The substance is inert and will not be absorbed and accumulate in tissues.

**12.4 Mobility in soil**

A low mobility would be expected in a landfill situation.

**12.5 Other adverse effects**

The main component/s of this product are not anticipated to cause any adverse effects to plants or animals.

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**13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS**

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**13.1 Waste treatment methods**

**Waste disposal** Reuse where possible. Dispose of in accordance with local regulations.

**Legislation** Dispose of in accordance with relevant local legislation.

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**14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION**

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**NOT CLASSIFIED AS A DANGEROUS GOOD BY THE CRITERIA OF THE ADG CODE, IMDG OR IATA**

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	LAND TRANSPORT (ADG)	SEA TRANSPORT (IMDG / IMO)	AIR TRANSPORT (IATA / ICAO)
<b>14.1 UN Number</b>	None allocated.	None allocated.	None allocated.
<b>14.2 Proper Shipping Name</b>	None allocated.	None allocated.	None allocated.
<b>14.3 Transport hazard class</b>	None allocated.	None allocated.	None allocated.
<b>14.4 Packing Group</b>	None allocated.	None allocated.	None allocated.

**14.5 Environmental hazards**

No information provided.

**14.6 Special precautions for user****Hazchem code** None allocated.

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**15. REGULATORY INFORMATION**

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**15.1 Safety, health and environmental regulations/legislation specific for the substance or mixture**

<b>Poison schedule</b>	A poison schedule number has not been allocated to this product using the criteria in the Standard for the Uniform Scheduling of Medicines and Poisons (SUSMP).
<b>Classifications</b>	Safework Australia criteria is based on the Globally Harmonised System (GHS) of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals.
<b>Inventory listings</b>	<b>AUSTRALIA: AICS (Australian Inventory of Chemical Substances)</b> All components are listed on AICS, or are exempt.

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**16. OTHER INFORMATION**

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**Additional information****PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT GUIDELINES:**

The recommendation for protective equipment contained within this report is provided as a guide only. Factors such as form of product, method of application, working environment, quantity used, product concentration and the availability of engineering controls should be considered before final selection of personal protective equipment is made.

**HEALTH EFFECTS FROM EXPOSURE:**

It should be noted that the effects from exposure to this product will depend on several factors including: form of product; frequency and duration of use; quantity used; effectiveness of control measures; protective equipment used and method of application. Given that it is impractical to prepare a report which would encompass all possible scenarios, it is anticipated that users will assess the risks and apply control methods where appropriate.

**PRODUCT NAME NATURAL STONE SLABS OR TILES - GRANITE - BLACK - NERO****Abbreviations**

ACGIH	American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists
CAS #	Chemical Abstract Service number - used to uniquely identify chemical compounds
CNS	Central Nervous System
EC No.	EC No - European Community Number
EMS	Emergency Schedules (Emergency Procedures for Ships Carrying Dangerous Goods)
GHS	Globally Harmonized System
GTEPG	Group Text Emergency Procedure Guide
IARC	International Agency for Research on Cancer
LC50	Lethal Concentration, 50% / Median Lethal Concentration
LD50	Lethal Dose, 50% / Median Lethal Dose
mg/m <sup>3</sup>	Milligrams per Cubic Metre
OEL	Occupational Exposure Limit
pH	relates to hydrogen ion concentration using a scale of 0 (high acidic) to 14 (highly alkaline).
ppm	Parts Per Million
STEL	Short-Term Exposure Limit
STOT-RE	Specific target organ toxicity (repeated exposure)
STOT-SE	Specific target organ toxicity (single exposure)
SUSMP	Standard for the Uniform Scheduling of Medicines and Poisons
SWA	Safe Work Australia
TLV	Threshold Limit Value
TWA	Time Weighted Average

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