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Stone Shopping Checklist

Getting Started

- Make a diagram with dimensions of your countertop. If new construction get drawings from your contractor or cabinet specialists.
- Visit the slab warehouse and narrow down color choices. Feel free to bring samples of tiles, cabinets and floors.
- Review fabricator list. Ask friends and review CCB information. www.ccb.state.or.us
- EleMar can help with quotes by faxing size and price info to fabricators in your area.

Select a Fabricator (bid selection)

- Ask lots of questions. Quotes from fabricators can vary for lots of reasons.
 - Are they projecting the same number of slabs for the job?
 - Are they including tear out (on existing cabinets)
 - How is excess material left over from any slabs calculated in the quote?
 - **If you have a question, ask it.**

Sign a contract with the fabricator you select.

Picking your stone.

- Come in to the slab warehouse and Pick your Stones (reserve them)
- Warehouses like EleMar purchase bundles from the same block. This means the slabs on the top of any given bundle will be almost identical to slabs on the bottom. Slabs can be pulled from the top of these bundles so you can select the individual slabs for your project. EleMar Staff will help guide you through this process. Again, ask lots of questions.
- About Reservations: 7 day courtesy hold. Fabricators can hold slabs a little longer. Long term holds (6 weeks or longer) may require a deposit.
- When slabs are put on hold EleMar will fax confirmation and slab information to your fabricator. The fabricator will place the order directly with EleMar and schedule delivery of the slabs.

Follow up with your Fabricator and update Schedule if needed.

- Communication is the key. Keep track of your holds and your fabricators progress. It's a big investment.
- Be sure to inform your Fabricator of any delays created by other contractors and expect the same from your Fabricator.

Enjoy your new Countertops. Send us Pictures. We'd love to see them.

The EleMar Staff

