

## FAQ:

### *How much will an 'average' natural stone countertop cost?*

Nuance Stoneworks only does custom fabrication so we have to consider a lot of variables when we prepare an estimate. For that reason, we can't give you a ballpark "price per square foot", but here's a list of the things we look at and how they help determine the price:

**The stone:** The stone you select can range from a huge part of your cost to a much smaller percentage. The amount will depend on what kind of stone you chose, the size of the slabs and how many slabs your project will require. We often price out a job using several different options.

**Linear feet of finished edges:** Hand finished countertop edges are very beautiful, but they require the talent and time of skilled craftsmen. An 18 square foot island will cost more than the 18 square foot countertop between the fridge and the stove because there are more than twice as many linear feet of edges to be finished

PRICING CUSTOM STONE COUNTERTOPS				
	Thickness of the slab	Edges	Profiles	Backsplashes (must be specified)
Least Expensive	2cm (3/4")	'self" edge	Simple eased edge	None
↓	3cm (1-1/4")	1-1/2" (2 x 3/4") Laminated	Standard profile	Standard 4" w/ eased edge
	4 cm or greater	2-1/2" (2 x 1-1/4") Laminated	Premium profile	Full-height
	Most Expensive	7mm (3/8")	Milled & laminated	Custom premium

*Some of the other factors we consider are:*

**Stone backsplashes:** These are not considered a standard part of a stone countertop. You must specify if you want stone backsplashes instead of tile. ([Learn more](#))

**Sinks and cut-outs:** There is a small charge for any cut-out. Undermounted sinks, tubs, etc. cost a little more (\$150 or so for an average sink) because both finishing and installation take longer.

**Distance from the shop:** Each project requires at least two, usually three or more trips to the jobsite to complete. Travel time and costs can add to the price, especially for small jobs in remote locations.

**Access:** Small (or no) elevators, limited times we're allowed on site and rough terrain are some of the things we have to price into our bid.

**Scheduling:** Every project doesn't go the way you planned, delays are normal for construction. Our costs go up if we have to pay our fabricators overtime to get your countertops installed quickly before your plumber arrives and our price has to include the added costs. Help avoid added charges by keeping in touch with us if your schedule gets tight!

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