

Dictionary

Term	Definition
Cubics	Cubics is a tile style. Cubics are honed with uneven thicknesses, producing a 3D effect.
Filled	Filled is a tile finish. Tiles are filled, so that the surface of the stone has no holes in it.
Honed	Honed is a tile finish. Tile is finished but the polishing process is stopped before the buffing stage; smooth without reflection. Tiles will be of uniform size and shape with square corners and straight sides and will have a silky, matte finish. Most honed tiles will be filled, so that the surface of the stone has no holes in it. These tiles are great for use in high traffic areas because they will not show wear and scratch marks as quickly as their polished counterparts.
Mosaic	Mosaic is a tile style where tiles are composed of smaller tiles glued onto a mesh background for easy installation.
Polished	A polished finish is shiny and reflective. This is a glossy mirror like finish. The full color, depth, and crystal structure of the stone is visible. Your stone appears darker and the colors seem richer. A polished finish will highlight the character of your natural stone. This finish is considered the finest and smoothest finish available.
Roman Pattern	Roman Pattern tiles contain mixed tile sizes on the same sheet. Sizes of 2x2, 2x4 and 4x4 may be set on the same 12x12 sheet.
Splitface	Splitface is a tile style. Tiles have a rough, uneven surface.
Tumbled	Tumbled is a tile finish. Tiles are literally tumbled with gravel in a barrel. This results in uneven edges and will most likely have holes throughout the body of the stone. It is a very rustic look and though tiles may be roughly square and roughly of uniform size, they will not have straight, nicely cut sides.
