

BIANCO CARRARA MARBLE a.k.a. BIANCO CARRARA OR CARRARA WHITE: TILES, SLABS, WORKTOPS, COUNTERTOPS, VANITIES, OTHER BESPOKE STONEMWORK

Bianco Carrara is a type of veined white marble. Other marbles in this group include Calacatta, Calacatta oro, Arabescato, Paonazzo, Statuario, Statuarietto, Statuariette, Ajax.

Calacatta Oro, Statuario and Paonazzo are at the top of end of white marble spectrum. They can also be book-matched, depending on project design.

Bianco Carrara is a more budget option. Due to its budget to medium pricing (depending on the quality) it is quite popular in both domestic and commercial interiors and is used for floors, walls, as well stonework, including vanity tops, table tops, worktops, countertops, shower trays, bath surrounds, hearths, fire surrounds, etc.



Example of Bianco Carrara tiles

For floors and walls, Bianco Carrara tiles or larger panels cut to size can be used. Cut to size panels are more expensive than tiles and are typically specified for higher end interiors.

Standard sizes of Bianco Carrara tiles are 305mmx305mm, 400mmx400mm, 400mmx600mm, 600mmx600mm . For flooring, honed Bianco Carrara tiles are recommended due to slip resistance properties.

All types of white marble, including Bianco Carrara, come in a number of grades or qualities: blocks and then slabs or tiles are manually selected based on quality.

The difference between different grades can be significant, both in terms of aesthetics (background colour, consistency and intensity of veins, etc.) and technical characteristics (chipping, potential of breakage or cracking, e.g., along veins, etc.)

Bianco Carrara is often graded as Top/Select, 1st grade or commercial, 2^d grade. The whiteness of the background colour and veining are the main factors in determining the quality.

There is a also variation form quarry to quarry and form block to block of carrara marble. Different types and grades are priced differently.

Prices variation can be quite significant from one grade to another and you need to see pictures of a number of representative tiles or slabs to make the right decision, not just go by the name or by one picture. Better still to see full size tiles or slabs. Stoneville has large stock of Bianco Carrara tiles and slabs at its London warehouse.



Example of a Bianco Carrara slab

Over the past few years, some companies started to give well known names like Bianco Carrara, Calacatta or Statuario to completely different types of white marble, often inferior in terms of quality. This practice is expected to fade away with the introduction of CE marking in the stone industry in 2013.

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