

# Moka Cream Limestone

*Natural Limestone / Portugal*

Moka Cream Limestone is a fine-grained Portuguese limestone recognized by its light beige tone and linear fossil patterns. It is valued for its calm, uniform appearance and is primarily specified for interior architectural applications. Compared to denser limestones, Moka Cream is softer and more sensitive, requiring disciplined specification and realistic maintenance expectations.

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## Recommended Applications

Suitable for: Interior floors (residential, light commercial)- Interior wall cladding - Stair risers and low-impact stair treads - Bathroom walls (non-shower zones) - Feature walls and continuous interior surfaces

Typical use cases: Residential apartments and villas - Hospitality interiors with controlled traffic - Contemporary projects seeking visual calm and continuity

*Moka Cream performs best in protected, low-abuse environments.*

## Surface Finishes

Recommended finishes: Honed – preferred for floors and walls - Brushed – improves slip resistance and softens fossil pattern

Finish guidance: Honed finish emphasizes linear movement and visual continuity - Brushed finish slightly increases grip and reduces glare - Polished finish is not recommended due to slip and maintenance sensitivity

## Slip Rating (Indicative)

Honed: R9 - Brushed: R10

Suitable for dry interior floors; not recommended for wet walking surfaces.

*Slip resistance depends on cleaning regime and surface wear.*

## Dimensional Tolerances

Tiles: ±1.5 mm, Large-format units: ±2.0 mm

Natural fossil distribution may result in visual variation that should be approved at sample stage.

## Recommended Adhesive & Installation

Adhesive:

- Flexible white cement-based adhesive
- Classification: C2TE S1 (EN 12004)

Installation notes:

Full adhesive coverage required - Back-buttering recommended - Avoid dark adhesives to prevent shadowing - Movement joints must be respected, especially in large areas

## Maintenance & Aging Behavior

Moka Cream Limestone is **chemically sensitive**.

Expected behavior:

- Etching from acidic substances
- Gradual surface dulling in high-contact zones
- Even patina development over time

These effects are normal and should be accepted as part of the material's natural aging.

## Not Recommended For (Critical)

Moka Cream Limestone should not be specified for: Kitchens with heavy daily use - Shower floors or wet walking surfaces - Outdoor applications - High-traffic commercial floors - Areas requiring stain or acid resistance

*Misapplication typically results in visible wear and client dissatisfaction.*

## Specification Notes (For Project Documents)

Specify **honed or brushed** finish explicitly

Limit use to interior, controlled environments

Include maintenance and patina expectations in client handover documents

Require sample approval for fossil pattern direction and tone

## Stone Moods Professional Note

*Moka Cream Limestone is chosen for restraint, not robustness. When used correctly, it delivers quiet elegance and spatial continuity. When forced into demanding roles, it becomes a maintenance burden. Correct context is everything.*

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