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BC Stone's Guide to Sustainable Beauty

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With more than 20 years' experience in the industry, BC Stone offers a highly professional approach to the world of natural stone.

BC Stone's story began two decades ago when, as newly graduated architects, Bahar and Bora Cakir started working on projects and found themselves deeply enamoured with stone. Soon after, they established BC Stone, a company which has now expanded to three continents. Its Australian arm, backed by its overseas operations, warehouses and factories, is able to offer something unique to the local market.



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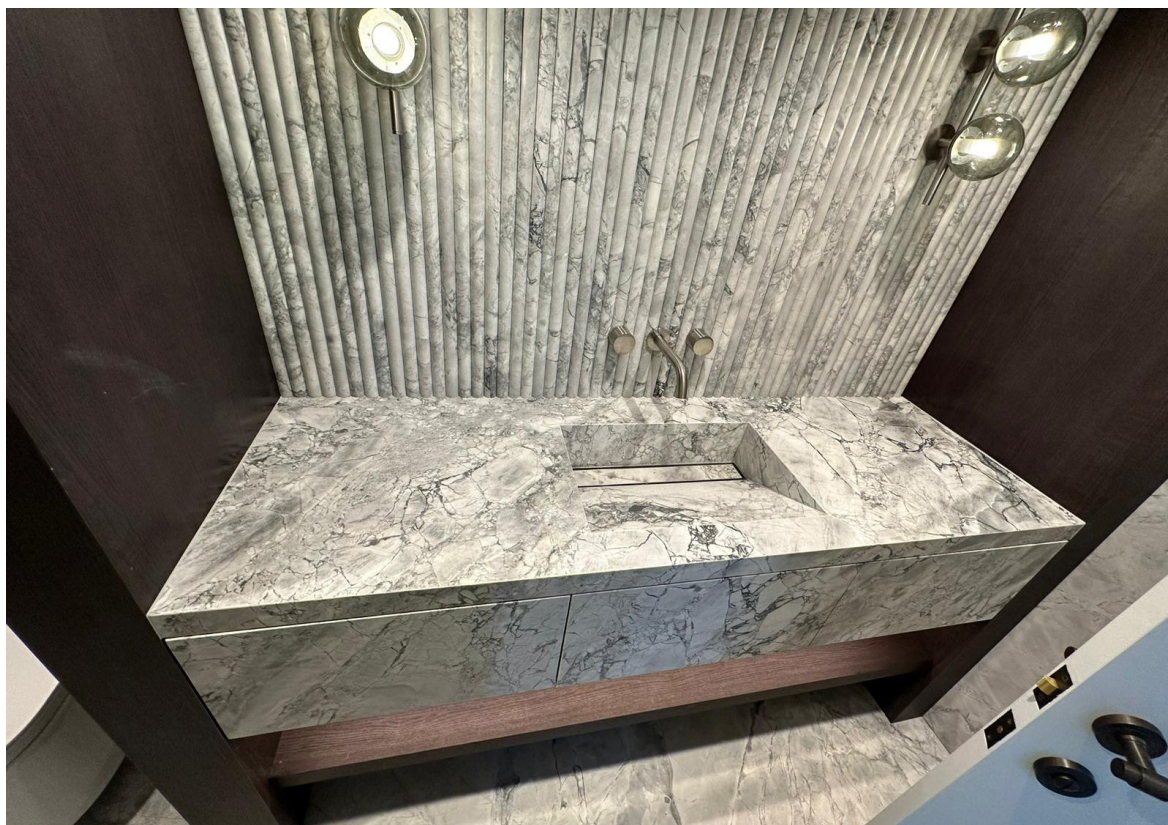
“Owning two large-sized companies on three continents has its advantages, especially in fabrication jobs,” says director Bahar Cakir. “We have the facilities in Silverwater, Sydney to fabricate products for big-sized projects. Thanks to our advanced machinery, we can cut slabs and tiles in any dimension as well as creating art pieces. Recently we fabricated 60-millimetre split-face limestone slabs for a commercial project – there aren’t many companies capable of doing this type of fabrication job.”

That advanced machinery includes the GMM480 5-axis sawing machine, which enables the company’s skilled workers to cut and fabricate almost any kind of edge profile and surface as well as to create art pieces, and will soon introduce the Italian-made, high-pressure Stream 42 water jet, allowing for exquisite and precise detailing. “With this machine, we could engrave your initials into your benchtop and can easily create cut-outs for ZETR’s advanced faceplates,” says Cakir.





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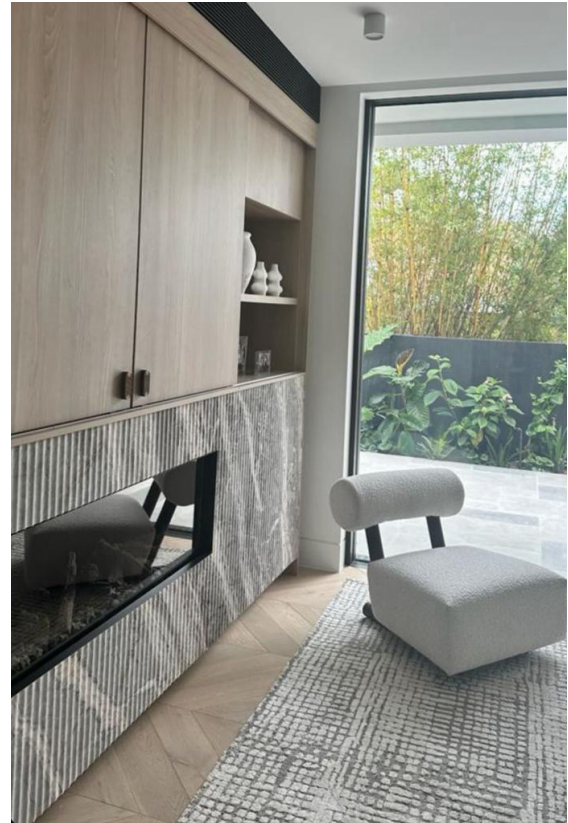




BC Stone's range of natural stone is expansive, making it a go-to for architects and designers looking for high-end products to elevate their projects, whether residential or commercial. Highlights include the burgundy Rosso Levanto, sourced from an ancient quarry in Turkey and characterised by white veins and a slight green tinge. "It is quite precious, not only because of its long history but the colours are a rare mixture, too. We love using this stone for commercial projects such as bars and hotels, where it has dramatic impact." Minerva, in contrast, is in more subtle tones of grey and white, and presents a formidable alternative to more popular stones like Superwhite. "Minerva offers a completely different look, with its unusual patterns resembling sedimentary rock."

While classic tones, like Carrara, remain immensely popular, Cakir has seen a movement towards more colour in stone, particularly pinks and greens. BC Stone's range incorporates both hues, including "Breccia Pink, Pink Fairy, Rosalina, Golden Athena, Caribbean Jade, Verde Green Canyon and the amazing Bedonia Green. We also love our blue-coloured stones such as Renzetto Azur, which resembles a Van Gogh painting, and the majestic Opus Azur."





The company's stones were used to striking effect in a recent residential project, Roseland, by Shellee Gordoun of SG Interiors, which also highlighted the skill of its inhouse stonemasons. Gordoun opted for classic Calacatta Oro for the oversized kitchen island and an arched alcove, with both elements featuring elegant fluted stone. "The island front panels and the convex flutes have continuity of the veins thanks to our project and stonemason teams. The flutes were cut in our Sydney warehouse to ensure that continuity. The installation part of the job is quite important in projects like this one. Even if you cut all the stones perfectly, if the installation is unprofessional, you might end up with something that is far from perfect."



Custom-made designs and art pieces are another aspect of BC Stone's operations. "We often collaborate with prominent designers, who will supply us with drawings of the piece they want so we can understand the kind of stone that would work. We then transfer these designs into pieces like coffee and dining tables but also into objects like bowls and works of art."



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Elevating design with BC Stone

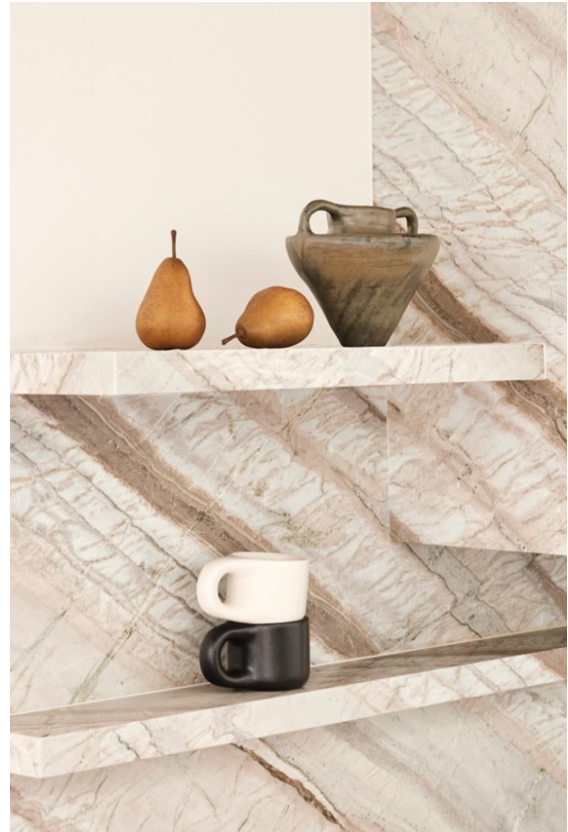
In Sydney's leafy suburb of Paddington, a classic terrace on Hopetoun Street has been thoughtfully re-imagined by design studio Tom Mark Henry.

Professionally supplied, carefully fabricated, and skillfully installed by BC Stone. Build by Pacific Projects.



Central to this transformation are the exquisite natural stones from BC Stone, which bring opulence and sophistication to key areas of the home. The kitchen features BC Stone's Bole Quartzite, a stone with striking veins in tones of brown, light green and white. Its durability and

stunning appearance across benchtops and splashbacks make it a focal point. "Bole Quartzite captivates with its beauty," says director Bahar Cakir. "Its veins offer designers countless possibilities and blend harmoniously with a wide variety of joinery colours."



Elsewhere, BC Stone's Carrara Bella marble enhances the powder room with its soft, organic feel, while the main bathroom exudes luxury with a Calacatta Viola vanity, complemented by walnut veneer. These selections demonstrate BC Stone's ability to provide high-quality, versatile stone solutions suited to various styles and applications.

With over 20 years of experience, BC Stone is a trusted supplier of premium natural stones, serving clients across three continents. Their Sydney-based facility features advanced machinery for precision in fabricating custom designs and art pieces. "We often collaborate with designers to create custom-made pieces such as coffee tables, dining tables and art objects," adds Cakir. Combining advanced technology with artisanal craftsmanship, BC Stone transforms stone into functional masterpieces.

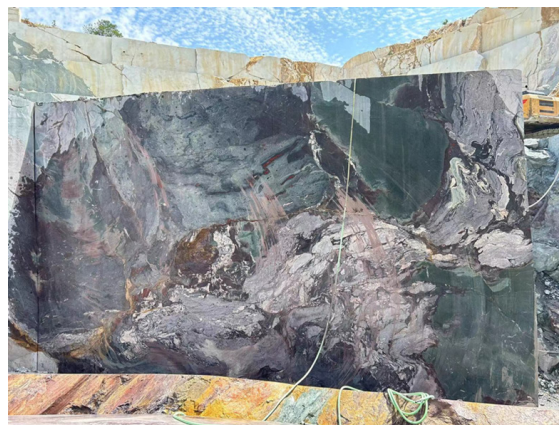


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Four Seasons stone

In early 2025, BC Stone will introduce its Four Seasons stone, featuring a dark green base with striking veins of pink, burgundy, white and black. Its versatility makes it ideal for applications ranging from high-end residential kitchens to commercial lobbies and hotels. This new stone underscores BC Stone's commitment to offering high-quality, durable natural stone that enhances any space. With the Four Seasons stone, BC Stone continues to lead the way in design innovation, offering new textures and colours that inspire bold architectural statements.



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