

How do I remove excess mineral oil from the surface of soapstone?

Q. I know that I can use mineral oil on my soapstone to age or give a nice patina to my soapstone, but how do I remove the excess mineral oil from the surface of the stone?

A. To remove excess mineral oil from soapstone, you could use denatured alcohol or acetone, but the preferred choice would be to only apply a limited amount of mineral oil, as needed. Ideally, if you use a clean rag or good quality paper towel after the application and rub, rub, rub, any little bit of excess should be removed. Your professional stone restoration contractor can give you further instructions on mineral oil application and help with any other care or maintenance needs. If you do not already have a PRO, [contact us](#).

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