

How to Remove Chocolate S'more Stains on Stone Hearth

Q. We have 4 chocolate stains on our natural stone hearth. The stains have been there just a few days. We got off the actual chocolate (probably Hersey's chocolate for smores) and tried to clean the stain with a windex surface cleaner. It helped but stains remain. How should we proceed? This is at our condo and we will only be here a few days to clean it.

A. You will need to apply a poultice using a strong hydrogen peroxide solution and an absorbent medium. Use the kind of hydrogen peroxide that hair stylists use, that is, 20 volume, which you can find at a beauty supply store. Do not use regular hydrogen peroxide from the drug store, because it is too weak. For the absorbent medium, use any of the following: Poultice Powder

- Clays and fullers earth
- Talc
- Chalk (whiting)
- Sepiolite (hydrous magnesium silicate)
- Diatomaceous earth
- Methyl cellulose
- Flour
- Poultice powder

For more information on dealing with stains, see our [Stain Management App](#).

We hope you succeed in removing the stain, but if not, contact one of our vetted, highly qualified stone and tile restoration contractors. To find one in your area, [contact us](#).

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