

How to remove a rubber-back coir mat stain on pavers?

Q. A rubber-backed coir mat stained my pavers. How do I remove it?

A. Before attempting full stain removal, it's best to perform a small test poultice using an appropriate solvent such as methyl ethyl ketone (MEK) or mineral spirits.

NOTE: Follow the manufacturer's safety precautions when using chemicals.

A poultice draws the stain out of the paver over time. For detailed, step-by-step instructions on how to mix and apply a poultice correctly, check out our free [Stain Management App](#).

The solvents in the poultice can help dissolve and lift deep or oil-based stains from natural stone, but results can vary depending on the stone type and the nature of the stain. Multiple poultice applications may be necessary. Always test in an inconspicuous area first to ensure the solvent does not damage or discolor the surface. Improper use of solvents or poultices can sometimes worsen the problem or etch the surface.

Stain removal from natural stone requires patience and the right materials. A properly applied poultice can often lift even deep or persistent stains, restoring the surface to its original appearance. However, when a stain proves resistant or the stone is delicate, professional guidance ensures safe and effective results while preserving the integrity and beauty of the stone. To find a vetted PRO in your area, visit [www.surfacecarepros.com](#) and click on **Find a PRO**.

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