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MIDNIGHT LIMESTONE

Midnight Limestone is an extremely dense limestone quarried in Central China. It is used extensively in local villages as veneer, stair block, and paving. This material is also used to make carved objects. A high-density limestone, Midnight Limestone almost appears to be a hard marble with its pronounced random white tracery veining. Black limestones are extremely rare since the organic materials that created them are typically bleached out by strong sunlight. However, somewhere in the deep swamp

or bog of its ancient past, this material was heated and compressed over the millennia to become stone. Its unique color ranges from dark charcoal to deep black with luminescent minerals that glimmer against the midnight surface. Due to the consistent structure of the material, Midnight Limestone will accept point stalk texture as fine as four lines per inch, which creates an unmatched visual rhythm when used as paving. Midnight Limestone is best mortar set on a slab to avoid edge chipping.



RECOMMENDED USES

PAVERS	DRAIN GRATES
VENEER	CARVED OBJECTS
STAIR BLOCKS	COLUMNS
QUOINS	SINKS / TUBS
COPING / CAPS	SLABS
CURBS	COBBLESTONES
SILLS / LINTELS	



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MIDNIGHT LIMESTONE



HONED
0.75" min thickness



FINE ADZE
1" min thickness



COARSE ADZE
2" min thickness



BUSH HAMMER
1.5" min thickness



4 POINT STALK
2" min thickness



2 POINT STALK
2" min thickness



PINEAPPLE
3" min thickness



SPLIT
3" min thickness

MATERIAL SPECIFICATIONS

COUNTRY OF ORIGIN : China

COLOR RANGE : grey - black

STANDARD BLOCK SIZE : 60" x 31" x 8"

MAX BLOCK SIZE : 78" x 60" x 26"

STANDARD VENEER SIZES :
3" x 3" min to 16" x 26" max; 3" thick

STANDARD PAVING SIZES :
12" x 12" to 24" x 30"; 0.75" to 3" thick
4" x 4" x 2.5" or 4" cobblestones
8" x 4" x 2.5" or 4" cobblestones

TECHNICAL DATA

ASTM C97	absorption %	0.10
ASTM C97	bulk gravity lbs/ft ³	163.98
ASTM C99	mod. of rupture psi	4,700
ASTM C170	compressive strength psi	12,200
ASTM C666	freeze thaw %	1.18
ASTM C880	flexural strength psi	1,436

