## **The Installation Process**

Once the worktops have been made to your specification we will arrange a convenient time to install your new worktops. The installation process usually takes half a day, which means you would normally be given the choice of a morning or afternoon appointment.

Installation involves delivery of the worktops to site; carrying them in and placing them in position; levelling them up, using plastic shims if necessary, and gluing them in position using marble glue blocks. We also seal around any undermounted sink, using silicone. Finally we glue any upstands, splashbacks or windowsills into position.

There may be necessary to do some cutting and polishing on site, as we often have to leave sections of granite to be cut-out once the worktop is in position. Leaving the cutting until it is position gives the worktop added strength during transportation.

We are stone masons and happy to fit granite worktops. However, there are areas we do not get involved with. For example, plumbing and electrical work such as fitting hobs or taps, are best left to qualified and registered tradesmen. Carpentry and kitchen fitting should also be left to the experts. We are quite happy to liaise with other trades people and let them know what we require to produce the best results. However we do not get involved in carrying out Kitchen Fitting, plumbing, or electrical work.

Note: On the day of fitting we will require a clear room to fit the worktops. Also, we would prefer that the room is left dust-free for a few hours after we leave, because some of the sealants will still be wet for up to 6 hours after the installation is complete. Plumbers and electricians can then be contacted to fit taps and hobs after we leave. Plumbers should not expect to fit taps during our installation, as our worktops cannot be carried flat. Plumbers should have access to taps and pipes without taking the worktops off.