

National Police Memorial

Canberra, AUSTRALIA

An Australian Federal Government Project

Applicator: Gloss Landscaping Services Pty Ltd

Surface: Granite

Product: STAIN-PROOF™



The Monument

The Memorial pays tribute to Australian Police Officers who have been killed on duty or have died as a result of their duties since the advent of policing in Australia, and recognizes the unique nature of police service and the dangers that police face in their daily pursuits.

The \$2.4million memorial is jointly funded by the Australian Government (through the Australian Federal Police), State and Territory Police Services and Police Federation of Australia.

A competition was held for the design, and the winning concept was a 3 dimensional granite area of more than 300m²/3260ft². The granite surfaces have key emotive words blasted into the surface. A main commemorative wall is completely clad in bronze, with bronze plaques carrying the names of police officers.



The Project

To seal this important national monument with an impregnating sealer which would preserve its aesthetic, while providing the best possible protection against stains, and graffiti. This monument is a high traffic area, and needed to be protected against staining from food and beverages as well as water and salt.



The official unveiling by the Prime Minister of Australia took place on the 29th of October, 2006.

Special Requirements

The client had a number of special requirements for the sealing of this important structure:

- A long performance warranty period, certified in a hardcopy document.
- The sealer had to be able to protect the granite from staining by food and beverage spills, bird droppings and graffiti.
- Cleaning had to be easy, and able to be achieved without the use of special cleaning products which would create an additional long-term cost burden.
- The sealer had to be proven on high traffic commercial surfaces.

The Dry-Treat Solution

Many competitive sealers were considered too, but STAIN-PROOF™ was chosen for:

- Its 15 year warranty when applied by an Accredited Dry Treat Applicator.
- Its proven stain and graffiti resistance in major urban projects, which include the recently revamped Melbourne Cricket Ground and a major Perth City shopping mall.
- Ease of maintenance - STAIN-PROOF™ allows the surface to be cleaned using standard commercial techniques, such as high pressure hosing and scrubbing.

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