



## **Strata Panel™ Question & Answers**

### **What are Strata Panels™?**

Strata Panels, a light weight natural stone veneer panel system that offers the beauty of natural stone without the weight and brittleness associated with thick heavy slabs. We use 2cm or 3cm thick natural stone slabs, bond aluminum honeycomb cores to both sides and saw the slab down the middle producing two panels. This unique process reduces the number of slabs required for a project almost in half, saving our natural resources.

### **What are the benefits of using Strata Panels as opposed to slab stone?**

Strata Panels are made of authentic stone slabs offering limitless colors to choose from. Large panels sizes for project design flexibility. Light weight, providing significant cost savings to structural backup requirements, shipping and installation labor costs. Allows you to utilize natural stone where weight would have been an issue.

### **What are your standard stones?**

Bellcomb offers several standard stone options however, most if not all natural stone slabs are available in the market place and we are able to work with all types of stone.

### **What are the panel sizes?**

We offer two standard “finish” panel sizes, 48”x96” and 60”x96”. However, depending on the size of slabs available, we can process up to 60”x120” panels. From the finish panel size, we cut and fabricate the required part sizes and quantities needed to meet your project specifications.

### **What types of finishes do you offer?**

Several finishes are available; most stones are available with the following finishes: polished, honed, diamond sawed and sandblasted. Most granites are available in flamed as well.

### **Can Strata be used for exterior cladding?**

Yes, light-weight natural stone panels have been used for exterior cladding for over 30 years.

### **Can you use these panels for countertops?**

Yes. Strata panels have been utilized in several industries where weight is a factor. For example, interior for yachts, aircrafts, elevator cabs, cruise ships, luxury motor coaches, etc.

**How thick are the panels?**

Strata Panel standard thickness for exterior wall cladding is 1 inch nominal. For interior wall cladding, standard panel thickness is 5/8 inch nominal. However, we are able to adjust nominal panel thickness to accommodate specific project needs. Contact a Strata Panel specialist now to find out more!

**Are Standard detail drawings available?**

Yes. Drawings are available in CAD or PDF format. If you have further questions or need additional specification drawings please contact us at [stratpanels@bellcomb.com](mailto:stratpanels@bellcomb.com)

**Who installs Strata Panels™?**

For wall cladding, Strata Panels can be installed by carpenters, dry-wall contractors or other panel installation contractors. Panels are used in many custom applications, easily incorporated into a manufacturing process and self-perform installations.