



Nill (cream) & Light Exposure (salt & pepper) for new slabs  
We grind off 1 - 3 mm

The slab must be absolutely **perfect** to achieve this **SALT & PEPPER or NIL EXPOSURE** “look” finish. This is where, the least, possible exposure of aggregate and sand is sought. Whilst we acknowledge this finish to be truly, beautiful, **it is totally reliant upon the quality of the slab**, and this makes it the most difficult to achieve of all finishes. If you, your architect or designer really desire this look, it is really important to understand the complexities of achieving your expectations.

**IT ALL STARTS WITH THE CONCRETER AND THE SLAB!** We can't **STRESS** enough how important it is to have a **GOOD CONCRETER!** The slab must be **flat** and **highly** burnished, achieved by as many passes as needed (multiple) with the powered trowel (helicopter) by the concreter. **Screed bar marks** and **footprints** must be removed. The concreter needs to burnish, as close to the edges as possible, otherwise unevenness in the finish will result. **Evenly** vibrating the slab, during the pour, assists the aggregate and sand to sink, leaving more cream on the surface, reducing the chances of stone being visible when the buff or grind (with very light resin pads) and seal, or polishing procedure commences.

**EVEN WITH THESE STEPS, THERE IS NO GUARANTEE THAT SOME DEGREE OF PEBBLE OR SAND WILL NOT BE EXPOSED IN SOME AREAS.**  
(The slab should not be poured on a wet or very cold day, as this will not allow your concreter to finish the slab to a high standard).

#### **THEN WE BEGIN OUR WORK!**

As uneven burnishing, results in an uneven floor, we at Adelaide Custom Concrete will inspect the slab before we proceed and report the outcome to you or your authorised representative e.g. builder. Whatever the finish you have selected (polished or sealed), we now proceed to achieve a workable, livable surface for you. As stressed above, we are not responsible for the standard of the slab and as such cannot guarantee that some screed marks, swirl marks, some areas of more exposure than desired, or footprints may become visible and this is not the responsibility of Adelaide Custom Concrete. Concrete is a naturally porous product and can be subject to staining. This is not treated as a defect of the product. Similarly, if the concreter leaves small dips in the floor, these will be highly visible in the finished product.

**The Customer has read and understood this document and has received a copy for their records.**

Name: .....

Signature: .....

Date: .....

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