

Marble Elite Alpha® **CALCIUM CARBONATE**

DESCRIPTION

A high purity, medium ground calcium carbonate produced from a high brightness marble deposit in Georgia, which has a carefully controlled particle distribution specifically designed for cultured marble applications. The particle distribution provides optimal particle packing with low off-color speck levels, which in turn imparts superior surface aesthetics when final appearance is critical such as in clear gel-coat products.

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TYPICAL PHYSICAL PROPERTIES

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Median Particle Size (μ)	60
Moisture (%, ASTM D280)	0.2
Loose Bulk Density (lb/ft ³ , ASTM C110)	87
Compacted Bulk Density (lb/ft ³ , ASTM C110)	115
Acid Solubility (% in HCI)	95 - 98.5

PARTICLE SIZE (SCREEN) ANALYSIS

Mesh size	%
+50	5
-100	66
-200	43
-325	32
TYPICAL CHEMICAL ANALYSIS	%
Calcium Carbonate	96.0
Magnesium Carbonate	2.5
Silica and Silicates (MSHA spec: <4%)	0.4
Other	1.1

MINERAL PROPERTIES

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Color	White
Alkalinity (as NaOH, ASTM D1208)	0.4 mg/gm
pH (ASTM D1208)	9.4 (saturated solution)
Hardness (Hand. Of Chem. & Phy)	3 Mohs, relatively non-abrasive
Solubility (Hand. Of Chem. & Phy)	0.0035 gm/100 mL H₂O at 100°C
Particle Shape (Microscope)	Irregular, uniaxial
Specific Gravity (ASTM D153)	2.7
Refractive Index (Hand. Of Chem. & Phy)	1.6
Weight per Gallon (s.g. x 8.345)	22.6 lbs/solid gallon
Linear Expansion Coefficient (Hand. Of Chem. & Phy)	4.3 x 10 ⁻⁶ /°C

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