

POOL FINISH APPEARANCE VARIANCES

A new pool finish is an important decision for any homeowner, commercial property manager or public facility supervisor. There are many conditions that need to be taken into consideration so the right pool finish is chosen for your unique poolscape. One item to remember is that light finishes will keep the pool water cooler, while darker finishes absorb and hold the heat longer keeping the pool water warmer.

One of the first decisions to make is to choose the water color you desire for your pool. Once you have a water color in mind, your pool professional will be able to supply you with finish samples to review. The depth of your pool will also factor into your color selection. The sun shelf, beach entry or steps will have a much lighter color to the water than the deep end of your pool. Blue toned water will be achieved by using pool finishes with a base color of white, blue or gray. Blue-green toned water can be achieved with green, tan, black or brown bases. Varying degrees of water color tones are then derived by adding different colored aggregate, glass or natural pebbles to the base color.

Choosing the right texture for your pool finish, whether for residential or commercial use, is important for slip resistance and foot comfort. Finishes can be smooth, lightly or highly textured depending on the size of the aggregates, glass or pebbles in the finish and the amount of exposure the finish is given during the installation process.

Another factor that can affect your pool color is the landscape and immediate environment. The reflective properties and chemistry of the water will alter the color of the pool depending on the following factors: the type of landscaping around the pool area, the time of day or year, weather conditions (cloudy, sunny, rainy), the color of the deck/pool tile and the size, shape and depth of the pool.

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