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Eco-friendly home improvement IV

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Eco-friendly countertop materials-

This is the fourth installment in a series of Eco-Friendly home improvements. Check back often for updated information and more eco-friendly home improvement ideas.

Countertop manufacturers and distributors are seeing an increased demand for eco-friendly materials. Consumers are incorporating these sustainable materials into their flooring, in the paint on their walls, and even on their kitchen countertops. The materials used in **eco-friendly countertops** are similar to those found in eco-friendly flooring, making it simple to blend more than one renewable material attractively in the home.

Countertops constructed of **recycled glass** make a dazzling statement, and are one of the most frequently purchased **eco-friendly countertop materials**. The kaleidoscope of colors presented in **recycled glass countertops** appeal to many homeowners, as does the VOC-free materials and high recycled content. The price for this **eco-friendly home improvement** may be expensive, but because **recycled glass countertops** are so durable and versatile in home decor, you won't have to worry about replacing them anytime soon.



Bamboo countertops are durable, adaptable, and add an exotic look to any room. Bamboo countertops are preferred over hardwood countertops by environmentally conscious consumers, and if made of high quality, can also be bacteria-resistant. One popular manufacturer of **bamboo countertops** is

Teragren. To see the products they offer, visit their website, Teragren.com.

Quartz countertops are one of the most durable countertops you can buy. Quartz is an **eco-friendly countertop material** that is stain resistant, scratch resistant, heat resistant, and very low maintenance. Quartz can be sculpted to have a rounded, smooth edge, and it feels smooth to the touch. Quartz is a natural material with an elegant look that appeals to many, and is a wise **eco-friendly countertop** choice.

Recycled paper countertops make an innovative choice for **eco-friendly countertops**. The material is much more durable than it sounds, as the **recycled paper countertops** are designed of 100% post-consumer paper products that are solidly compacted into a solid block and then coated with a natural resin. To see this amazing eco-friendly product, visit one of the leading makers of **recycled paper countertops**, [PaperStone](#).

To purchase **eco-friendly countertops** in Charlotte, consider contacting the professionals at any of these fine locations.

- Web-Don, Inc., 1400 Ameron Drive, Charlotte, NC 28206, (704) 375-0250
- Ideal Countertops, 2809 South Boulevard, Charlotte, NC 28209, (704) 523-0360
- Shirestone of the Carolinas, 2809 South Boulevard, Charlotte, NC 28209, (704) 523-0360