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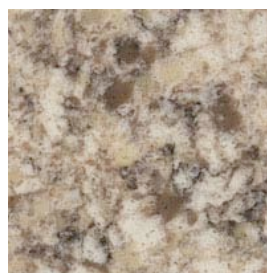
SILESTONE LAUNCHES NEW GALACTIC SERIES INSPIRED BY NATURAL MOVEMENT

NEW YORK, NEW YORK (April, 2011) – Silestone (www.silestoneusa.com), the world leader in quartz surfacing, announces the launch of the **Galactic Series**, a new color line of earthy hues with a unique speckled patterned finish. The six-color collection is characterized and inspired by the natural movement of stones and galactic rocks, with colors ranging from black, brown, gray, and cream. The Galactic Series finish is created using the latest, innovative technology to offer designers and homeowners more choices in color, depth, and pattern with the exclusive benefits of Silestone natural quartz.

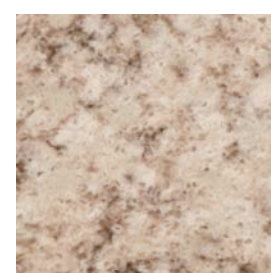
The Galactic Series is available in both the polished finish in the following colors: **Black Dragon**, a black hue; **Seleno**, white with speckles; **Giallo Nova**, a dusty brown; **Halley**, pebbled cream; **Kimbler**, a mottled brown; **Quasar**, cream and gray tones; and Seleno, a light cream with brown flecks. For those who enjoy nature-inspired décor, the Galactic Series offers new possibilities for stunning residential and commercial applications.



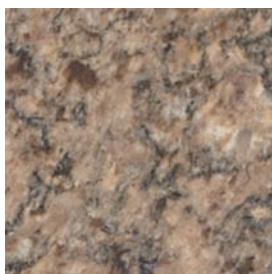
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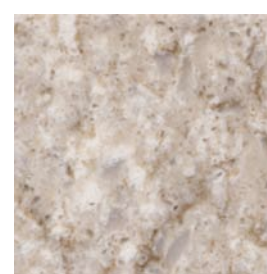
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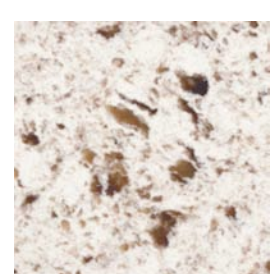
Halley



Kimbler



Quasar



Seleno

“The Galactic Series was created for architects, designers, and consumers who want a sophisticated earthy finish for their kitchen or bathroom,” said Lorenzo Marquez, VP of Marketing for Cosentino North America. “The latest technological advancements have allowed us to produce a natural effect, that still embodies all the benefits of quartz – low maintenance, high performance and durability.”

As with all Silestone natural quartz products, the Galactic Series is naturally non-porous and never needs to be sealed. It is easy to clean and has high scratch, stain, and heat resistance. Silestone is also proven to be a cleaner and safer

countertop. It offers a unique combination of built-in antimicrobial protection that safely fights the growth of odor-causing bacteria, mold and mildew along with the assurance of GREENGUARD certification for clean air quality, and National Sanitation Foundation certification (NSF 51) for safe food preparation.

The Galactic Series will launch at KBIS in April 2011, retailing at \$54 - \$82 per square foot, depending on thickness and color. It's available in 63" x 128" slabs in 1cm, 2cm and 3cm thickness. Silestone Quartz offers a 15-year limited manufacturer's warranty. For more information on Silestone, visit www.silestoneusa.com.

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Cosentino Group, a worldwide leader in the distribution of natural stone, quartz surfaces and recycled surfaces now has a presence in 50 countries and has six factories, 14 quarries, 17 fabricating factories and more than 2,100 employees all over the world. With 11 manufacturing lines, Cosentino is the largest manufacturer of natural quartz surfaces in the world. The company covers the entire process of producing natural stone products including quarrying, manufacturing, fabricating and installing surfaces, such as kitchen and bathroom countertops, wall cladding and many other applications. In 2008, Cosentino received ISO 14001 Certification for its environmental management, measurement, evaluation, and auditing practices. The multinational group is present with branches in 15 countries: Cosentino HQ in Spain, Cosentino North America (U.S., Canada and Mexico), Cosentino The Netherlands, Cosentino Belgium, Cosentino UK, Cosentino Ireland, Cosentino Deutschland, Cosentino Austria, Cosentino Scandinavia, Cosentino Swiss, Cosentino Portugal, Cosentino Italia, Cosentino France, Cosentino Latina Vitoria (Brazil). The Cosentino Group family of brands include: Silestone Natural Quartz with built-in antimicrobial protection; ECO by Cosentino™, an eco-friendly line of surface material made of 75% recycled post-consumer and post-industrial content; SenSa® Granite with SenGuard® offering a 15-year warranty against staining; Scalea Natural Stone, which includes marble, travertine and soapstone; Marlique™ Marble, enhanced marble for vanities; MURO™ Mosaics, pre-meshed tiles made with recycled Silestone; and the Prexury™ Collection, a semi-precious stone line handmade by expert craftsmen. For more information, visit www.cosentinonorthamerica.com.