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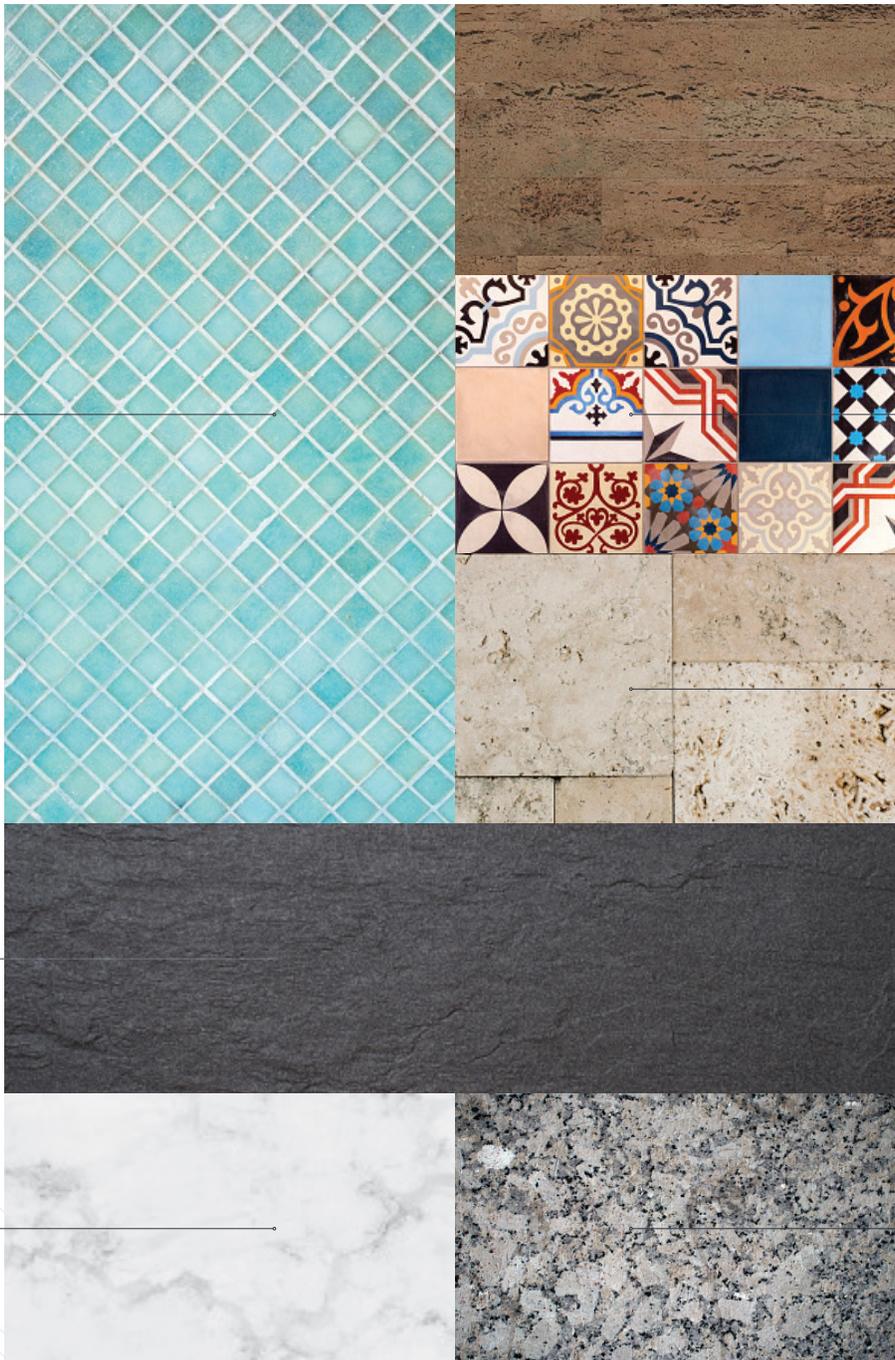
KITCHEN TILE

When you spend a lot of time in your kitchen cooking and eating with friends and family, you want it to be a comfortable, attractive space you'll enjoy using. The Synchrony™ HOME Credit Card can help you get the right flooring tile that will add both the style and functionality you're looking for. Use the guide below to compare various types of tile to discover what's best for you, then visit mysynchrony.com/welcomehome to learn more.



Tip: Be sure to consider your lifestyle and cooking habits, like if you have children or pets who can cause extra spills or wear on your flooring, or if you cook/entertain often and spend a lot of time in your kitchen.

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Tip: Choosing a tile with texture can increase slip resistance.



Tip: Choosing bigger tiles with thinner lines in between requires less grout and produces a cleaner appearance.

	TYPE	APPEARANCE	PROS	CONS	MAINTENANCE	PRICE
1.	CERAMIC	Multiple design options available	Extremely durable, water and stain resistant	Uncomfortable to stand on for long periods of time	Easy to replace individual damaged tiles if necessary	Mid-range
2.	CORK	Unique, natural	Soft and comfortable, offers insulation	Lacks durability, susceptible to scratching and water damage	Proper sealing required	Mid-range
3.	PORCELAIN	Similar to ceramic, large tiles	One of the most durable and water resistant, long lasting	Heavy, difficult to install	Requires light sweeping and mopping with a damp rag	More expensive than ceramic, difficult installation drives higher cost
4.	TRAVERTINE	Rustic earth tones, unique patterns	Long lasting with regular care	Consistent maintenance required	Must apply sealer regularly	More expensive than ceramic, less expensive than porcelain
5.	SLATE	High end, natural	Durable against cracks and chips, stain and water resistant, can add value to home	Difficult to install, consistent maintenance required	Must apply sealer regularly	Expensive
6.	MARBLE	High end, luxurious, many colors available	Waterproof	Slippery when wet, susceptible to scratching and staining	Periodic resealing required	Expensive product and installation, almost always requires professional installation
7.	GRANITE	Sophisticated, many colors available	Durable, stain and impact resistant	Can be slippery when polished	Polish to brighten colors	More than mid-range, almost always requires professional installation

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