

I am unique. I am authentic. Touch me.  
I am the Blue Limestone of Hainaut.



CARRIÈRES DU HAINAUT



# — INTRO- DUCTION —

## BLUE LIMESTONE OF HAINAUT, NATURAL ELEGANCE THAT STANDS THE TEST OF TIME

Natural and authentic, Blue Limestone of Hainaut will add beauty to your surrounding, be it contemporary, classic or cottage style. Inside your house, outside on the façade and in the garden, Belgian Blue Limestone of Hainaut is the perfect reflection of your personality, your style and your desires.

Decorative, architectural and creative, blue stone gives free rein to your imagination. It dresses your patio, your floor, worktop, shower and facade with elegance and style. Noble and timeless, Blue Limestone of Hainaut draws on some 345 million years of history. Allow yourself to be seduced by its strength, refinement and authenticity.

# INTERIOR



## CORRIDORS, PASSAGEWAYS AND STAIRS

*From the very start, let your style shine through. Blue Limestone of Hainaut is the perfect material for floors and walls of these areas, full of life and movement. And as time goes by, you'll find its unique character simply becomes stronger and stronger.*



## LIVING ROOMS AND DINING ROOMS

*Timeless and always in style, blue stone can be used with all styles of interior decoration and furnishings. Combined with noble materials such as wood, glass and stone, it will make your living spaces sublime.*



## KITCHENS

*The kitchen is where Blue Limestone of Hainaut really comes into its own, an answer to all your decorative desires. Use it for work-tops, sideboards, sinks and floor paving, and cook in complete confidence, and in perfect hygiene.*



## BATHROOMS, SHOWERS AND WET-ROOMS

*From the silky touch of flagstones underfoot, to the reassuring non-slip surfaces, walking on blue stone offers a rare pleasure. Use it in your bathroom, your shower, your indoor pool or your bathroom counters, giving homage to the stone's aquatic origins. Its non-porous surface is your guarantee against staining from residual water.*

# — EXTERIOR —



## GARDENS AND OUTDOOR FEATURES

*Blue Limestone of Hainaut will add beauty to your garden, whether it's rigorously designed, classic or a bit on the wild side. Use it to give a unique style and character, throughout your garden, its paths and walls. On your steps, it's not just a pleasure to look at, but it also guarantees a secure footing.*



## FACADES

*Both creative and protective, durable and timeless, blue stone will dress your building with a coat of elegance and refinement. Its unshakeable solidity acts as a natural shield against marks, blows and scratches. Add dynamism and a contrasting aesthetic by combining blue stone with other materials such as brick, wood, cement or plaster finishes.*





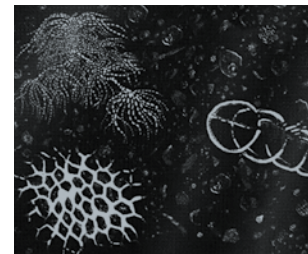
## PATIOS AND TERRACES

*Underfoot or used for garden furniture, Blue Limestone of Hainaut fits in just about everywhere. A feast for the eyes, it's a daily pleasure and an enduring beauty. Natural and pure, it's impervious to the effects of running water, winter elements and sudden changes in temperature.*



## SWIMMING POOLS AND WATER FEATURES

*Your pool, outside shower, well or pond in blue stone are a daily invitation to take it easy. There's nothing more calming than re-charging your batteries in contact with this naturally pure material. Comfortable and aesthetically pleasing, it's also safe underfoot, essential when used beside water.*



## THE BELGIAN BLUE LIMESTONE OF HAINAUT THE AUTHENTICITY OF NATURAL STONE...

*Belgian Blue Limestone of Hainaut is a natural material whose noble origins stretch back some 345 million years, to a time when the region was submerged underneath a warm tropical sea. The gradual sedimentation process of fossilised aquatic flora and fauna profoundly embedded in a mass of microcrystalline calcite – the crinoids – generated a homogenous and highly compact structured limestone that varies from light blue-grey to dark, almost black grey.*

*A gift from nature, every piece of rock fashioned from this mass is unique. The visible presence of the fossilised crinoids gives the Blue Limestone of Hainaut its incomparable character and charm, and is proof of the authenticity of this local stone, which is considerably more resistant than other stones of a similar aspect.*

## ... AND A GUARANTEE OF TOTAL QUALITY!

*Only the best and most beautiful stones deserve your attention. Each piece has passed a battery of successive selective tests before meriting the quality label of the Carrières du Hainaut®. Carrières du Hainaut® guarantees the provenance and the absolute quality of each of its stones with a certificate of origin.*

*Blue stone from the Carrières du Hainaut® is extracted and transformed at a single site in Soignies, Belgium. The entire production process is certified by a technical certificate of conformity issued by the 'Union belge pour l'Agrément Technique for the construction industry' (Belgian Union for Technical Approval - ATG).*



# FINISHES

## INFINITE POSSIBILITIES THANKS TO A WIDE RANGE OF SHADES AND TEXTURES

*Underfoot, on the wall or as furniture, Blue Limestone of Hainaut fills your universe with beauty, as much inside as outside. Its timeless aspect and its wide range of grey-blue shades are adaptable to all type of decors.*

### CLASSIC FINISHES

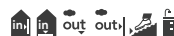
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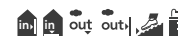
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ENODESIGN®



FLAMED BLUE



ENOTOUCH®



LIGHT BLUE  
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## EXCEPTIONAL FINISHES

FINE GRAINED DIMPLED



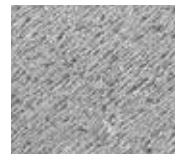
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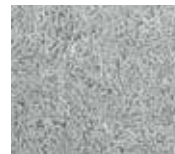
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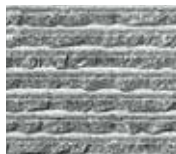
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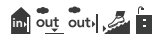
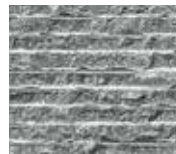
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## NEW DECORATIVE FINISHES

Do you like to be surrounded by unique creations? With these new special finishes anything is possible. Let your decorative imagination run free and bring a light and decorative touch to your walls with the fluid, wavy lines of EnoWave® and EnoScala®. Or add a robust touch of strength and character with EnoCranto® or EnoWood®.



## FAÇADE SOLUTIONS

A façade that can stand the test of time for your new or renovated home? The 2-in-1 EnoStone® systems combine a high-quality wall cladding in Blue Limestone of Hainaut and efficient insulation. The result: a beautiful façade and less energy consumption.



**NEW**

EnoStone®  
E-Board Zero



**NEW**

EnoStone®  
Wall Base

# PRODUCTS

## STANDARD AND EXCLUSIVE FLAGSTONES

*Ever more popular, blue stone can be used just about everywhere – its territory has no limits. Tiles and their matching skirting, pavings and wall cladding... with its wide range of products Blue Stone of Hainaut opens up a wealth of possibilities.*

### CLASSICS

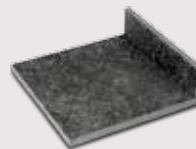
#### TRADITIONAL TILES

*Available in different finishes presented on p 9-10.*



#### DUENO® EXTRA-THIN TILES

*Available in 11 finishes.*



#### ENOPURE®



### OLD-STYLE

#### ENOSTYL® CLEAR



#### ENOSTYL® DARK



#### ENOSTYL® DARK BRUSHED



#### HAINAUT ANTIC®



#### KLINKSTONE®





**SPLIT STONES**

**CLIVENO®**



**BRICKENO®**



**SPLIT PAVINGS**



**'FARMHOUSE'  
SLABS**





## A SOLID PARTNERSHIP

*Carrières du Hainaut® has been extracting and manufacturing this iconic, unique and authentic blue stone for nearly 130 years. In time, and by permanently developing the expertise and know-how of our teams and by constantly improving the equipment, our company has become the biggest quarry of ornamental limestone in Europe.*

## A SUSTAINABLE AND RESPONSIBLE CHOICE

*Blue Limestone of Hainaut is in many ways an ecologically responsible choice. Choosing Belgian blue stone, means choosing an exceptional and local material. This means less transport which comes at a high price both in terms of energy, ecology and finance. It also encourages the development of timeless know-how, which guarantees an unequalled quality while at the same time helping ensure local long-term employment. And finally, respecting the environment. Our blue limestone is a durable product like no other: solid, non-porous, and with an extremely long lifespan, it offers extensive possibilities for re-use.*

## A SOCIALLY AND ENVIRONMENTALLY RESPONSIBLE COMPANY

*Carrières du Hainaut® is committed to offering a natural stone and service of outstanding quality, respecting the environment. The work methods used guarantee responsible handling where safety is of principal importance.*

*The company fully subscribes the process of sustainable and responsible management of local resources. By-products such as clay and upper strata are upgraded thanks to our external partners. The source water released during the extraction process supplies nearly 90,000 local inhabitants. More than a thousand solar panels have been installed on the roof of our workshops, generating 225,000kWh/year in electricity used in our production.*

*The extraction and transformation processes at the Carrières du Hainaut® are carried out at a single site in Soignies, Belgium, which is unique in the sector for such a large volume and allows reducing as much as possible the production's ecological footprint.*





## CARRIÈRES DU HAINAUT® SOME KEY FIGURES

- > **Employment:** 455 directly; +/- 2,500 indirectly
- > **Actual site:** 235 ha
- > **Yearly extracted volume:** +/- 200 000 m<sup>3</sup>
- > **Yearly sales:** +/- 40 000 m<sup>3</sup>
- > **Markets:** 75 % in Belgium, 25 % is for export (France, the Netherlands, Germany and worldwide)

## VISIT US

Would you like to know more about Belgian Blue Limestone of Hainaut, its origins and how it is quarried? Visit our website at [carrieresduhainaut.com](http://carrieresduhainaut.com) for a virtual visit using images of the site. Or you can contact the Office du Tourisme at Soignies to organise a visit to the site. You can get in touch with them on either tel.: +32 (0) 67 34 73 76 or via e-mail on [tourisme@soignies.be](mailto:tourisme@soignies.be)

If you wish to organise a visit within the framework of a specific project, you may contact the Carrières du Hainaut® directly by sending an e-mail to: [info@carrieresduhainaut.com](mailto:info@carrieresduhainaut.com).



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