#### **GFRC** is Pietro Stoneware

**Pietro Stoneware** is one of the most versatile building materials available to designers and manufacturers of garden decor and furnishings.







For over 30 years, **Pietro Stoneware** has been making a significant contribution to ornamental concrete such as planters and fountains as well as tables and firepits.

**Pietro Stoneware** is a family of high performance cement based composites reinforced with special alkali resistant glass fibers that can be engineered to suit a wide range of applications.

**Pietro Stoneware** products can be formed into sections as thin as 6 mm so their weight is 70% lighter than the traditional precast concrete.

#### Benefits from Pietro Stoneware:

- Building projects
- Leisure facilities
- Urban renewals
- Municipal schemes.

With its ability to tailor shapes, form and surface finish, **Pietro Stoneware** is aesthetically compatible with the environment.

### Why do we use

#### Pietro Stoneware?

- Highly moisture resistant. It will not rot, disintegrate or swell when exposed to water, or even completely submerged in water.
- **☑** Low maintenance requirements
- **☑** High comprehensive strength
- **☑ Do not rust** and therefore require no minimum cover
- ☑ Ability to reproduce fine surface details
- ☑ Its light weight allows for **efficient and transport costs** due to ease and speed of handling.
- ✓ **Vapor permeability:** It allows any minor water intrusions through joints or openings to slowly diffuse outward through the exterior surface, preventing cracks.
- ☑ High Fire Resistance

### CARE AND MAINTENANCE

Pietro Stoneware is incredibly low-maintenance, rot resistant, termite resistant and easy to care for.

Nonetheless, a little care can go a long way.





Keeping it clean and dust free will make it look as good as the day it was purchased.

✓ Use a hose and sprayer
✓ Just spray and it will clean up nicely.



Each **Pietro Stoneware** piece is treated with an exclusive nano protection to provide water repellency while minimizing abrasion. For further protection take the following measures:

- ✓ Clean any spilled liquids or other materials within 12 hours.
- ✓ In the presence of mildew, use a little bleach mixed with water. This will act as a good cleaning detergent.
- ✓ Car wax that is suitable for fiberglass can also be applied to help with UV Protection and to clean the surface.
  - ✓ Use storm covers in the event of hail.
- ✓ When assembling your furniture, keep the packing remains during assembly to avoid potential chipping when rolling or moving.
- ✓ If your item is a water feature, ensure no additives or chemicals are added to the water.
- ✓ Avoid bore water or water with a high mineral content.

# MAINTENANCE



**Pietro Stoneware** is produced primarily from concrete, and your piece is built as one solid unit

As a product made of concrete, your piece can sustain chips or cracks from time to time for a variety causes.



However, **Pietro Stoneware** is comprised of a complex system of reinforcement, so, chips and small cracks will be minimized and not affect the overall strength of the piece



# For normal wear and tear of your Pietro Stoneware piece, we suggest the following steps:

- ✓ Clean the area to be repaired, sand it lightly with a medium grit sandpaper to remove wax, oil, soap scum, or other surface contaminants
- ✓ Prepare cement mixture. Cement, fine sand and water would do. Repair kits for fiber glass are also available at Hardware store. Mostly they contains resin, colorant, thickener and hardener.
- ✓ Mix the mixture thoroughly. The longer you stir the material, the better the results will be.
- ✓ Using a flat tool like a putty knife or wooden tongue depressor, scoop out some of the mixture and apply it evenly to the area. Leave it for 2 hours to dry and harden the repaired area.
  - ✓ Sand the area carefully, trying not to scuff the adjacent areas.