





3mm

3mm is what is lost when cutting the stone in any marble shop. That which simply disappears in a cloud of silica dust and water when the cutting disc breaks the silence of the stone and passes through it. 3mm is almost nothing. It is an indeterminate mass that is no longer solid and distances itself from the immortality and permanence of stones. A stone that has lost its form and with it all its productive hopes, thus reaching the end of a process of colossal forces that begins in the mountain and ends in our kitchen in the form of a countertop.

At that moment in which the stone becomes residue and the linear economy finds its limit, another process opens up – much more uncertain – that plays with the possibilities of that which has ceased to be what it was and has lost the independence of its form. The residual form thus becomes the motif and matter, theme and substance, of a moldable painting that ventures into the gray and in which geometry appears and disappears, in the same way that happens with the mortar that inhabits, as a patch, the interstices of an old stone wall.

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3mm
20x30#1

Granite and marble on canvas,
20x30cm.
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3mm
20x30#2

Granite and marble on canvas,
20x30cm.
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3mm
27x46#1

Granite and marble on canvas,
27x46cm.
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3mm
46x27#1

Granite and marble on canvas,
46x27cm.
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3mm
30x40#1

Granite, marble and pencil on canvas,
30x40cm.
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3mm
30x40#2

Granite and marble on canvas,
30x40cm.
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3mm
70x50#1

Granite and marble on canvas,
70x50cm.
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3mm
70x50#2

Granite, marble and pencil on canvas,
70x50cm.
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3mm
90x60#1

Granite, marble and pencil on canvas,
90x60cm.
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3mm
90x60#2

Granite, marble and pencil on canvas,
90x60cm.
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3mm
150x100#2

Granite and marble on canvas,
150x100cm.
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3mm
270x150#4

Granite and marble on canvas,
270x150cm.
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3mm
270x150#5

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