



Mantel of the Salon Frais of the Trianon of Versailles, Campan Grand Mélange



Columns in Campan Grand Mélange in the Trianon courtyard

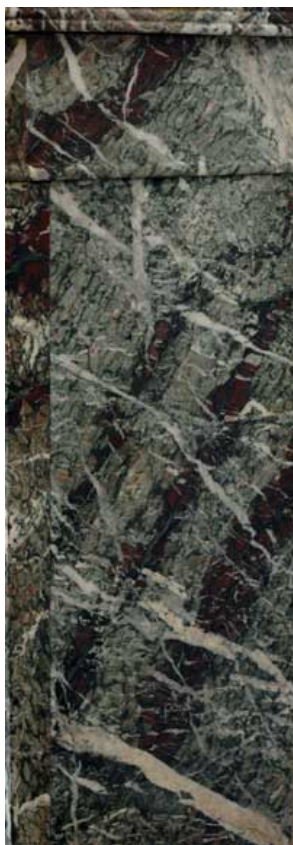


Detail of pink and green Campan

Since Antiquity the quarries of the area of **Campan** in the High Pyrenees in France have produced a variety of marbles, the most famous of hard stones being, Ribbon Campan marble, Green Campan, the Campan Grand Mélange and not forgetting the Cherry Red variety called Rouge Griotte. All campan marbles are characterized by deep and clearly marked green veins. They were used extensively in the apartments in Versailles under the reign of Louis XIV for fireplaces, but also wall panels because of the beauty of the motifs in the stone. The main decoration of the walls of the Escalier de la Reine in Versailles (the Queen's stairs) features Campan Vert and Campan grand Mélange.



Detail of Campan Rubané



Detail of Campan Petit Mélange