Tile Merchant

Installation Guides Mosaic Tiles

As with other building work it is important to work safely and to take suitable safety precautions including the wearing of protective clothes, gloves, safety goggles and dust mask.

Before Beginning the Work

Our wall project presumes you have first installed an underlayment of cement board, the best surface on which to install a wall tile using rapid set adhesive. Estimate your tile needs, based on the square footage of the wall area. It's best to pad the estimate by at least 10 percent to allow for waste and breakage.

What you will need *Tools*

- V-notched trowel
- Rubber grout float
- Sponge
- Dry cloth

What you will need *Materials*

- Flexible tile adhesive
- Tile Grout

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Ensure that your surface is clean, dry and free from debris.

Mix your adhesive in accordance with manufacturer's instructions.

Apply the adhesive to your surface using a V-notched trowel. Use the flat side to smooth out the adhesive so that you have an even coverage.

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Apply your mosaics mesh side down into the adhesive. Press the tile carefully into the adhesive and flatten sheets to each other to ensure contact using a rubber grout float. Be careful! You do not want the adhesive to ooze out between the tiles!

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Allow the adhesive to set (follow manufacturer instructions). Sponge away any excess using a damp sponge.

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Leave for 24 hours. Now it's time to grout. Mix grout in accordance with manufacturer's instructions.

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Apply another square metre of adhesive and tiles until you have fixed all the full tiles.

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Carefully apply the grout to the spaces between the tiles, working in sections and removing excess as you go. Polish off any haze using a dry cloth.

