

Grasscloth Wallcovering Hanging Instructions

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TWO PANEL SET

SINGLE ROLL



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IMPORTANT: DO NOT CUT OR INSTALL UNTIL YOU HAVE READ THESE INSTRUCTIONS IN FULL. CONTACT US FOR ANY QUESTIONS OR CONCERNS.

PRIOR TO INSTALLATION:

Check your order to ensure that you have received the correct pattern, colour and quantity. Inspect the material for any defects prior to installation. Claims will not be considered on cut material, or installed material after three (3) panels have been hung.

WALL PREPARATION:

All surfaces to be receiving the wallcovering should be smooth, clean, dry and structurally sound. Ensure that the wall's residual moisture content does not exceed 4% by using a reliable moisture meter. Do not proceed with the installation if the walls show any signs of mold, mildew, moisture damage or exceeds the recommended moisture content level. Remove all traces of dirt, old wallpaper and flaking paint. If required, using a suitable filler, even out cracks and irregularities to achieve a satisfyingly smooth surface.

Sand and prime filled areas - priming will seal the filler and stop it from drying at a different rate. Unprimed filler can cause the paper to bubble as it draws all the moisture from the paste.

Do not hang wallcovering on new plaster or walls that are absorbent, such as concrete. Walls must be primed in advance to make sure that the wall is sealed and the wallcovering paste is not absorbed into the surface.

Existing wallcoverings should be stripped and old adhesive should be removed with an appropriate adhesive remover. Rinse the wall and allow to dry completely prior to priming.

NOTE: ENSURE ALL FILLERS, PRIMERS AND PAINT ARE COMPLETELY DRY PRIOR TO INSTALLATION. REFER TO SUPPLIER INSTRUCTIONS FOR SPECIFIC DRYING TIMES.

Surfaces other than drywall or plaster may require special instructions for installation. Contact us for recommendations prior to beginning installation.

APPLICATION:

Grasscloth wallcovering should be wet hung by applying the adhesive directly to the back of the grasscloth. We recommend ROMAN PRO-838 HEAVY DUTY, ROMAN 234 or ZINSSER SURE GRIP HEAVY DUTY tub adhesives at full strength - DO NOT DILUTE.

IMPORTANT CONSIDERATIONS:

1. Grasscloths are delicate wallcoverings that can easily stain and absorb odors. We do not recommend grasscloth for bathrooms, kitchens, laundry rooms, hallways, playrooms and other high humidity and high traffic areas.
2. Grasscloths come in printed and non-printed types. Shading is a natural feature of non-printed grasscloths which can result in differences in colour across the wallcovering due to variations in the solar absorption among the plants used. This is not a defect. Printed grasscloths may absorb the ink unevenly and creating perfect pattern matches can be a challenge. This is to be expected and represents the charm of grasscloth, not a flaw.
3. Local conditions will differ from room to room, depending on size, extraction and general humidity, all of which result in varying levels of condensation. As such, we cannot guarantee suitability across all situations.
4. Air the room! Remember to never shut up a room of newly hung wallcovering, but leave it to air and maintain a normal room temperature to ensure the wallcovering dries properly. The room and wall should be kept at a minimum of 64°F / 18°C.

POTENTIAL INSTALLATION ISSUES:

1. Raised edges and blistering: These common problems are not due to the wallcovering, but rather to the amount of adhesive used. Be sure to apply a generous, even coat of paste to the wall, making sure to cover just over one width's worth of surface to ensure adhesive reaches to the edge. This also allows the paper to slip, making installation a little easier.
2. Visible seams: Non-printed grasscloth wallcoverings are not meant to be seamless. Due to the inherent variations present in the natural fibers of the grasscloth, visible seams where the panels meet are to be expected. Panelling is a feature, not a flaw of grasscloth products.

CLEANING & CARE:

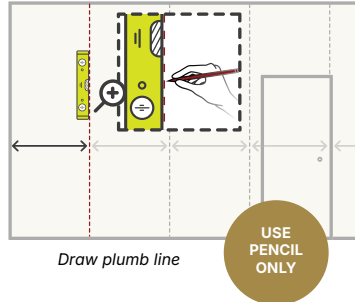
Grasscloth wallcoverings are delicate products. Avoid using any water to clean. Even damp sponges can leave stains behind. Gentle dusting using a dry cloth or feather duster can be used or a vacuum on a low-powered setting. For printed grasscloths, special care is needed to not compromise the print on the wallcovering which can chip away if improperly cleaned. Stains, dirt, oil and odors may be impossible to remove. **DO NOT RUB.**

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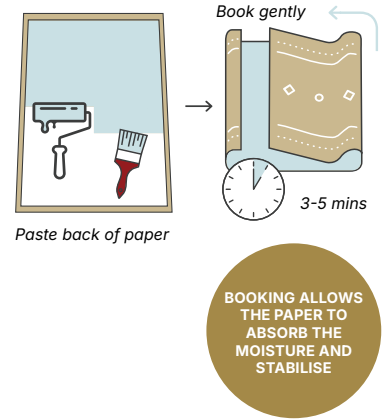
STEP 1

First, chop the header off your roll. You can use this as a template to measure the width required for your drops. Using the header, measure the amount out from the corner in the direction of installation, minus half an inch (1.5cm). Put a mark close to the ceiling at this point. This is where you start your spirit level or plumb line from and will allow half an inch overlap around the corner. Mark down the plumb line every 11-15" (30-40cm). This will give you a good vertical line to hang your first length to.



STEP 2

Start by pasting the back of the paper with the face of the paper down. A pasting table or pasting machine is ideal. You can paste the back of the paper on the floor, just be sure to lay down a drop cloth underneath to avoid getting paste on the floor as you paste to the edges. Gently fold the pasted side of the wallcovering together being careful not to crease the paper and allow it to book for 3 to 5 minutes.

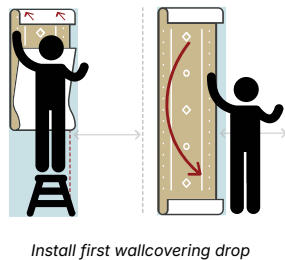


STEP 3

When moving the wallcovering to the wall, keep the booked/folded panel together (carefully as not to create a crease) with the pattern outward in order to avoid getting adhesive on your hands or on the front of the wallcovering.

Unfold and peel the panel apart and attach the top of the length to the wall at the preferred height and in the correct position before unfurling the rest. Allow 2-3" (5-8cm) of overlap above the drop to ensure an accurate finished trim. Align the top and bottom of the first length before "smoothing down" the wallcovering.

If you make a mistake, remove the length and start over.



STEP 4

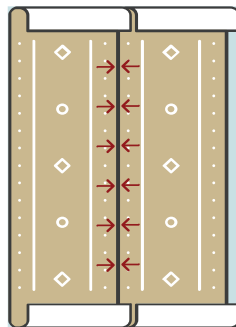
To get rid of wrinkles and air pockets, use a soft bristled smoothing brush to apply a gentle pressure across the panel and toward the edges (avoid abrasive materials, microfibre cloths or similar items). Take care not to squeeze out the paste between the joins and ensure the paste does not get onto the face of the wallcovering. Use a dry paper towel to quickly wipe any paste that begins to push out before it can stain the face of the paper. Do not rub.

Work from the ceiling to the floor and from the middle to the edges. Do not use any hard tool or abrasive material that would damage the surface.



STEP 5

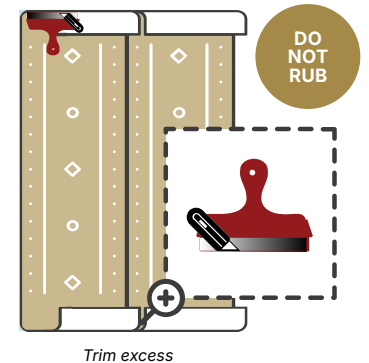
Butt join the next length of wallcovering to the first, matching up the edges according to the header (straight, offset or free match). Ensure that the lengths are properly positioned, that the pattern is matching, and that there is no surface visible at the joints. It is important that adhesive is applied right to the edge of the wallcovering to ensure the lengths adhere correctly.



STEP 6

When you are happy with the position, use a straight edge and a sharp snap-off knife blade to trim the excess wallcovering at the top and bottom of the wall. Replace the blade often, as a dull blade can easily tear the wallcovering.

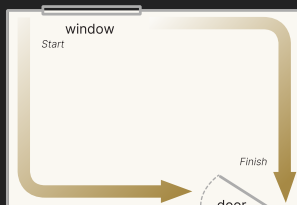
REPEAT STEPS 2-6 ACROSS THE WALL UNTIL INSTALLATION IS FINISHED.



Carefully inspect the wallcovering after three (3) strips have been hung to ensure there are no defects. We are unable to facilitate any claims after three (3) panels have been hung.

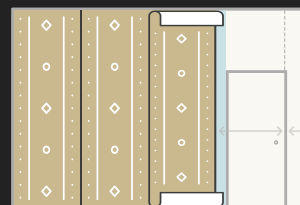
If you miss wiping residual paste and it accidentally ends up on the face of the grasscloth, we recommend waiting for it to fully dry. Roman Pro 838 Paste tends to dry like a crust that can be flaked off with a soft bristled brush.

HELPFUL TIPS



RECOMMENDED INSTALLATION DIRECTION

When installing wallcovering, always work away from the main source of light and finish in the least conspicuous corner.



WIPE RESIDUAL PASTE FROM WALLCOVERING

Use a soft, clean, dry cloth to gently remove residual paste after cleaning to prevent marking.