

Installation Guide – 5

stone pebble tile

mesh-backed sheets

General Note about Installation Guide

The following general installation and grouting guidelines pertain to most applications. The technical service departments of major setting material companies should be consulted regarding specific installation questions.

INSPECTION

The end user is responsible for determining the acceptability of the product. Installation constitutes acceptance of tile order.

INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS FOR YOUR PEBBLE TILE

Required Materials:

Thinset Mortar
Trowel
Scissors
Grout
Grout Float
Sponge(s)
Sealer
Paint Brush

1. With the trowel, apply the thinset evenly on the desired area no thicker than 1/8".
2. Lay the pebble tiles down, interlocking each tile on all sides.
3. To fit a tile in a space too small for a whole tile, cut the mesh which hold the pebbles together. You can also remove individual pebbles to fill empty spaces.

4. Once complete, allow at least 24 hours for the thinset to dry before grouting.
5. Apply a coat of sealer to prevent the stone absorbing color from the grout.
6. Apply the grout with the grout float so that the grout is packed in all the space between the pebbles.

7. Allow the grout to set for up to 20 minutes. Then, with a wet sponge, clean the excess grout off the surface of the pebbles.
8. Continue to clean the grout residue with a clean sponge until desired pebble exposure is reached.
9. Allow 24 hours for the grout to dry completely then apply a coat of sealer over the grout and pebbles.

The above instructions have been used successfully by homeowners and Do-It-Yourselfers throughout the United States. However, you should take one of the tiles to your local tile store, along with these instructions, to ask their opinion on the correct types of Mortar, Grout and Sealer to be used.

Note: Step 7: Do not allow the grout to completely set before starting the sponge process. Natural stones, depending on the style you purchase, can be very porous. Allowing the grout to set before sponging can severely affect the final look of your tile.