



# Akosa

## Installation Instructions

Akosa wood veneer wallcoverings are all made by hand and subtle variations in color and grain should be expected within the roll. Although extreme care is taken during manufacturing, these inherent characteristics are a part of the veneers intrinsic beauty, and should be considered neither flaws nor imperfections.

### Check Before Cutting:

The first step you should take is to confirm that all the materials you have received match what was ordered and are correct regarding the pattern number, color, and width. Before proceeding with the installation, make a final inspection to verify the run numbers of each roll and check for any manufacturing defects in the material. Take a moment to make sure that you have sufficient material on hand to complete this job. This is a natural product and as such will exhibit subtle color or grain variations between the samples and the actual delivered materials as well as between different runs/lots. These variations are to be expected as they are inherent characteristics of the veneers and cannot be avoided.

**NO CREDIT WILL BE ALLOWED FOR CUTTING OR INSTALLING INCORRECT PATTERNS OR COLORWAYS.** Cut material cannot be returned.

Application of materials is interpreted as acceptance of the material and conditions of the installation.

Should you have any questions regarding the material or installation procedures, please contact your Winfield Design Sales Representative or our Customer Service Department at 1-800-486-6800 before proceeding with the installation.

### Surface Preparation:

Ensure surfaces are dust free, smooth, dry, firm and uniformly colored or primed. Do not install over non-porous surfaces. Previously painted walls may be wiped down with Tri Sodium Phosphate to remove any grease or oil. Glossy paint should be dulled by sanding. Never install these materials over new plaster or un-primed walls. It is best to prime all surfaces with an appropriate high quality acrylic wallcovering primer. All surfaces to be installed should be tested by the installer to determine suitable adherence of existing coatings.

### Trimming:

Wood veneer wallcoverings are usually cut into strips and dry table trimmed. Take care to trim accurately. Be sure edges are even before installation. Each shipment contains bolts marked with consecutive numbers. This is the order in which the product was manufactured and should be followed in installation.

### Adhesive:

You **MUST** use a quality grade of heavy-duty premixed clay strippable adhesive. Do not dilute. Using another type of adhesive will be solely at the risk of the installer.

**Apply an even coat of adhesive to both the wall AND the back of the veneer.** Make sure the adhesive is spread out evenly over the entire surface to ensure good adhesion to the wall. . Apply additional adhesive near the edge of the material. This procedure will help avoid open seams. Allow the adhesive to become tacky before applying wallcovering. Never allow the adhesive to get on the front of the material.

### Installation:

Wallcovering shall be installed by professional experienced workers and contractors in strict accordance with these instructions.

Cut material in consecutive bolt sequence from lowest to highest. Material can be double cut on the wall to ensure pattern match. Cuts should be made with a sharp razor blade. Do not attempt more than one cut per blade.

Use strips in exact order as they are cut from the bolt. Straight hang – do not reverse strips. Hang only 1-2 strips at a time, carefully matching the design at the sides. Smooth material with a soft bristle brush to eliminate air bubbles and ensure adhesion. Wash smoothing brush and seam roller often, as an accumulation of paste on tools may mark or scratch the material.

### Test Hanging:

Test hang three strips and carefully review materials and application. If satisfactory, continue the installation. If not, please contact your Winfield Design Sales Representative or our Customer Service Department at 1-800-486-6800 before proceeding with the installation.

**Winfield Design assumes no responsibility for the installation of material beyond three strips. Under no circumstances will Winfield Design be responsible for labor.**

The above information is intended only as a guideline; the installer has final responsibility for proper installation.

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