

RICCI INSTALLATION and MAINTENANCE GUIDE: SuperSmooth Type II PRINTED PANELS / PLANK

Our SuperSmooth Type II PRINTED PANEL WALLPAPERS are designed for interior use only. We highly recommend hiring a professional wallpaper installer. You can locate an installer in your area at wallcoveringinstallers.org. Ricci Studio assumes no responsibility if your wallcovering is not installed as outlined in this guide.

GETTING STARTED

Examine the panels closely. If any damage is apparent or if you have any questions about what you have received, please call Liane Ricci directly at (310) 936-5925. The highest quality of workmanship is employed in the production of this wallcovering. Careful inspection is made before shipment, however, final inspection and approval are the ultimate responsibilities of the customer. Correct design, color and quantity should be verified before the wallcovering is cut or hung. We can not accept any liability for faulty rolls after they have been cut.

PREP THE WALL SURFACE

We do not recommend installing over existing wallcoverings. Remove old wallcovering and glue if applicable. Some papers may allow some show through—all surfaces must be smooth and sound, free of dust and peeling of inferior paint. Inferior latex paints must be cured with a product such as Gardz. New plaster must be properly cured (60-90 days) and feel cool to the touch. Remove existing wallcoverings, sand. Wash and clean thoroughly to disinfect, remove adhesive and eliminate mold and bacteria. Patch and sand as necessary to achieve a smooth surface. Prime with a universal wallcovering primer (T9000, Sheildz, 1-23 etc.). Do not use oil- based primers. For new walls: smooth, free of dust, room temperature (55 degrees F or warmer for at least 12 hours prior to installation) and properly primed as instructed above.

PROPER ALIGNMENT AND TRIM

Use a sharp new blade, brass bound straightedge and zinc strip. Use trim marks provided to trim excess from edges of paper.

PASTING

Use a clear adhesive such as PROFESSIONAL HEAVY DUTY CLEAR PRO-838 or ALLPRO CLEAR HANG 610 or ZINSSERSURE GRIP 128 or comparable adhesive containing a mold inhibitor. Apply the adhesive to the back using either a pasting machine or a paint roller. Work the adhesive into the back completely, especially near the edges. Fold each end toward the middle, pasted sides together being careful not to crease the wallcovering. Align the edges carefully so they do not dry out and allow to book for 10 minutes prior to hanging.

APPLY THE WALLPAPER PANEL

Have a damp cloth handy to wipe any adhesive from the surface as you hang your panels. With your assistant, lift the panel and using the reference marks you made earlier, align the panel to the wall. Using a felt squeegee tool, apply the top portion of the panel to the wall starting at the center using horizontal outward strokes with even pressure. Use this method to work your way down the panel until completing the panel.

Hang the first strip to a plumb line and allow it to overlap onto ceiling and baseboard. Use a smoothing brush to remove any air bubbles and to make sure wallcovering has made good contact with the wall. Use a seam roller to flatten the edges at the seams, ceiling, baseboard, around windows, etc. Use light pressure. Do not press hard enough to remove the adhesive.

As with any quality product, proper care and routine maintenance of your wallcovering will safeguard your investment by helping to maintain its original beauty and finish, thereby extending its useful life.

GENERAL CLEANING

Ordinary dirt and smudges can be removed by using a mild soap and warm water. We recommend Liquid Sunshine, made by Vermont Soap Organics, a non-toxic cleaner made with organic oils. It contains no sodium lauryl sulfate or other harsh detergents, alcohols, d-limonene, or synthetic chemicals. For more information, visit their website at http://vermontsoap.com.

- Clean from the bottom of the wall upward and allow to soak for several minutes.
- Rinse thoroughly from the top of the wall down using clean water and a clean sponge
- Dry wallcovering with a soft, lint free cloth or towel. Repeat, if necessary.

If other products are specified at your site, test a small inconspicuous area prior to cleaning to ensure there will be no damage to the wallcovering. Never use abrasive cleansers or steel wool as they can mar the surface. Do not use solvents such as nail polish remover. NEVER MIX CLEANING AGENTS TOGETHER AS VIOLENT REACTIONS CAN OCCUR.

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