

How to install pre-pasted wallpaper

BEFORE YOU GET STARTED

Inspect each roll for any print defects and make sure all rolls have the same run/lot number for exact color matching prior to cutting and hanging. If you find any defects, **do not install** and contact us at support@hyggeandwest.com or 855.982.9280.

STEP 1

Prep the wall

Before hanging, check that the wall surface is clean, dry, and smooth. If your wall isn't smooth, you'll need to either size the wall or apply a wallpaper liner, which might require a primer layer as well. Please check wallpaper liner packaging instructions for details. Old wall coverings should be removed completely. Fill any holes, sand down bumps, and remove electrical coverings. Wallpaper primer (we recommend Shieldz Universal Wallcovering Primer) is also recommended for better installation and easier removal.

Note: Do not apply to freshly painted walls (let paint dry for at least 4 weeks).

STEP 2

Gather your supplies

Wallpaper / Measuring tape / Scissors / Drop cloth / Wallpaper tray / Sponge / Bucket / Clean rag / Straightedge / Pencil / Level / Craft knife with extra blades / Smoothing tool / Step ladder (depending on the height of your wall) / Apron or clothing with pockets to keep small tools handy while you work

STEP 3

Cut the wallpaper strips

Pre-cut your strips to the wall height, allowing an extra inch or two on the top and bottom for trimming. Make sure to align the design from strip to strip prior to cutting and hanging each strip. Cut and trim the product with a sharp razor knife, changing the blade often to maintain a smooth, clean cut.

STEP 4

Mark your starting point

Measure the width of the wallpaper roll. All of our pre-pasted rolls are 24 inches wide. Starting from the corner of the wall farthest away from an entry or line of sight, measure the width of the wallpaper minus one inch (to allow for trimming on the wall edge) and mark with a pencil. Using a level, draw a straight, vertical plumb line from the mark against which you can line up the edge of the wallpaper.

STEP 5

Activate the paste

Loosely roll the first strip with the patterned side facing in. Completely submerge the rolled wallpaper in water (ideally in a wallpaper tray) for 10 to 15 seconds to activate the adhesive. Remove the roll by slowly pulling the leading edge out of the tray, glue-side up.

STEP 6

Book the wallpaper

"Book" the wallpaper by laying it on the floor glue-side up, then folding the glue side against itself for approximately 1 minute (avoid creasing the paper when booking).

Note: This product expands slightly in water; for best results, soak and book each panel for the same amount of time.

STEP 7

Position the first strip

Unfold the top half of the wallpaper, leaving the bottom half of the wallpaper booked, and position the glue-exposed portion of the top of the wallpaper on the wall. Line up the strip with the plumb line (from Step 4), allowing for an inch on both the top, bottom, and edge for trimming.

STEP 8

Apply and smooth the wallpaper

Once you're satisfied with the initial positioning, unfold the wallpaper to expose the remaining glued surface. Using a damp sponge, smooth downward and outward.

Tip: Do not over smooth the paper—bubbles smaller than the size of a U.S. quarter (about 24 mm in diameter) will dissipate as the wallcovering sets.

STEP 9

Trim the edges

Using a straightedge and craft knife, carefully trim the edges. You may need to change the blade frequently; it is important to keep the blade edge very sharp to minimize any risk of tearing the paper.

STEP 10

Apply the remaining strips

Be sure to match the pattern on the wall at eye level and tightly hug the seams together. Smooth out all air bubbles. Wipe with warm water and a sponge, taking care to remove all the paste from the surface. Rinse thoroughly a second time with clean warm water. After hanging two strips, be sure to check again for any defects and contact us if any are found.

Cleaning & care

Our wallpapers are washable and can be cleaned using a mild detergent and a damp sponge or cloth. Do not scrub or use abrasive materials or harsh chemicals. Stains caused by grease and oil may not necessarily be removed.