MAINTENANCE FOR LIME PLASTER AND PAINT



SAFETY FIRST

KEEP OUT OF REACH OF CHILDREN. AVOID EYE CONTACT. SEEK IMMEDIATE MEDICAL ATTENTION IF INGESTED OR EXPOSED TO EYES. AVOID PROLONGED EXPOSURE TO SKIN. WEAR SAFETY GOGGLES AND GLOVES WHEN WORKING WITH PLASTER. WEAR OSHA APPROVED RESPIRATOR WHEN WORKING WITH DRY MIXES OR WHEN SANDING PLASTER. FOR MSDS (MATERIAL SAFETY DATA SHEET), VISIT WWW.VASARIPLASTER.COM

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General Plaster Maintenance

Interior plaster or lime paint maintenance requires little effort. The finish should last as long as the substrate. Our materials will not fade under normal conditions. Our materials will improve with time in terms of durability and even color richness. Most cleaning and maintenance can be done with a water and a sponge. Mineral Sealer, if used, can be reapplied in high traffic areas if needed.

Exterior plaster or lime paint maintenance is similar to interior maintenance in that most dirt can be removed with water and sponge. Vasari Mineral Sealer protects lime finishes from stains and patina caused by heavy water contact. Reapply Vasari Mineral Sealer if needed.

Shower waterproofing requires Mineral Sealer and additional Carnauba wax. To maintain the shower walls from potential patina discoloration, re-apply wax if water penetration appears in any area. Waxed shower walls can be cleaned with water and / or soap.

Cleaning: If Lime Paint, Carrera. Marmorino or Veneziano is unsealed without Vasari Mineral Sealer and gets dirty, first use:

- A rag and warm water. Gently rub out the dirt. If that doesn't work, use:

- Rag, water and a touch of soap, or;
- 400 grit sandpaper over the blemish, then 600 grit to polish out, or;
- Wet the area and gently scrub with a fine sanding sponge

- If an oily spot is stubborn to water and soap, use clear spirits, like lacquer thinner

- If all else fails, add water to the same color plaster as used on the wall, making a slurry or paint out of it, then dab the troubled area with slurry.

Always use white cotton to clean; otherwise colored fabrics can bleed onto the plaster.

If the plaster is sealed with Vasari Mineral Sealer, wax or other natural

sealers, use that product to try to clean the wall. If that doesn't work, try the same

methods as listed above for unsealed plaster, then be sure to reseal the plaster with the same product.

If cleaning acrylic sealed plaster, use the same methods (with the exception of cleaning it with acrylic sealer), then reseal the spot if it had to be sanded. If cleaning Lime Paint, clean with the same methods as above. If all else fails, dab it with the same color of Lime Paint.

Patches, dings, nicks, and holes: The most important thing is to fill the hole leveled to the rest of the wall. Before doing anything else, clean the area around the hole. In some cases, sand the area around it, remove any waxes with solvent, and gently rub out any other water-soluble sealers. After cleaning, mask the area around it.

- If you have a hole larger than 1" x 1", use spackle, drywall mud, caulking or anything else that won't crack. If you have a larger hole, like 5" X 5", use spray foam. For anything larger, you might have to re-sheetrock the hole. The reason you don't use Venetian Plaster is because it can crack if applied too thickly. You might have to fill the hole several times with spackle, or other medium. Use Venetian Plaster on the last two or three layers of the patch. On the last layer, take a damp cloth and remove any excess Venetian Plaster around the patch. Allow 24 hours to dry, sand it and reseal (if there was sealer.)

- If you have a nail hole, use Venetian Plaster as filler. If there is excess plaster, wipe with a damp rag. Let dry then sand the patch with the appropriate sand paper grit (400 –600), and reseal with original sealer, if any.

- For scratches, minor dings, etc.; either re-seal with original sealer, or make paint out of plaster, then dab the area with brush or rag. As always, use your best judgment and test small samples if possible.

Natural sealers, such as **Vasari Mineral Sealer**, is most commonly used in general areas including the kitchen. It can take dirt, wine spills and oil spills. It's easy to apply, odorless, it breathes, is easy to fix or reapply.

Waxes are very beautiful and the traditional way to go. Real waxes like beeswax and carnauba can add protection and give the wall a marvelous luster that is difficult to duplicate. Colored waxes are also ideal for a glazed effect. *Check out our 'Shower Intructions' to learn more about waterproofing plaster.*

Shower maintenance

All Vasari products can be cleaned using water in most instances. Solvents such as lacquer thinner, soap and water or mild detergents can be used to remove stains. Do not use acidic cleaners or bleach. Salts and chlorine can damage plaster if not sealed or protected. Persistent water streaks can naturally weather plastering and leave a patina or water staining over time. Repeated water misting of plaster when first applied (before sealers) will reduce potential discoloration from weathering in the future. We always recommend carnauba wax as the final coat in wet areas. This makes the plaster waterproof and easy to maintain.

WARRANTY

Vasari expressly warranties Mineral Primer to be fit for the ordinary purpose for which they are intended for a period of 10 years for non-wet interiors installations, and 5 years for exteriors from date of installation when applied and used in accordance with manufacturer's instructions within six months of purchase.

WARNING! If you scrape, sand, or remove old paint, you may release lead dust. LEAD IS TOXIC. EXPOSURE TO LEAD DUST CAN CAUSE SERIOUS ILLNESS, SUCH AS BRAIN DAMAGE, ESPECIALLY IN CHILDREN. PREGNANT WOMEN SHOULD ALSO AVOID EXPOSURE. Wear a NIOSH approved respirator to control lead exposure. Clean up carefully with a HEPA vacuum and a wet mop. Carefully clean up with a HEPA vacuum and a wet mop. Before you start, find out how to protect yourself and your family by contacting the National Lead Information Hotline at 1-800-424-LEAD or log on to www.epa.gov/lead

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