

### HANGING INSTRUCTIONS FOR JAPANESE UNTRIMMED SILK WALLCOVERING

### STOP: Do not cut or install until you have read these instructions!

Thank you for choosing Studio Zen handcrafted wallcoverings. We recommend professional installation of this fine wallcovering. To find a professional in your area, contact the National Guild of Professional Paperhangers at (800) 254-NGPP or visit them on the web at www.ngpp.org.

Studio Zen Wallcoverings recommends that a quality liner paper be used under our wallcoverings. Please consult with your paper hanger prior to installation.

## Preparation:

Before you cut and hang, please be sure you:

- 1. Have the correct wallcovering and the correct amount of wallcovering to finish the job.
- 2. Inspect the wallcovering carefully to insure it is free of defects.

If no defect is evident before installation, the material should be inspected after three (3) strips are installed. If any defect is evident at this time (or at any point in the installation) no additional material should be hung until Studio Zen Wallcoverings is notified. NO CLAIMS WILL BE ALLOWED FOR MORE THAN 3 STRIPS ON THE WALL.

All claims must be made within 30 days of the invoice date. No labor claims will be allowed at any time.

# **Building & Material Conditions:**

The building must be weathertight with HVAC setting (including pressure, temperature and relative humidity) the same as those of an occupied building for three days prior to, throughout installation and three days after installation. The wall must be structurally sound including elimination of sources of moisture accumulation into the wall or wall cavity. The wallcovering must be in a clean and dry condition and must be stored at normal occupied building temperature and humidity for at least three days prior to installation. All adhesives and primers must be new, good quality commercial grade materials, which have not been contaminated.

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS, PLEASE STOP AND CONTACT STUDIO ZEN WALLCOVERINGS BEFORE PROCEEDING.

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# Wall Preparation:

- The walls to be covered must be properly prepared to insure that the wallpaper will adhere to the wall surface.
   Even the strongest adhesive can only work when the wall surface is clean and properly prepared.
- We recommend that installers use a hard, acrylic, pigmented, wall-protecting primer that is SPECIFICALLY made for WALLCOVERING INSTALLATION and WALL PROTECTION. DO NOT USE R-35.
- 3. Allow the primer to dry thoroughly before hanging.

### INSTALLATION

### Adhesive

- 1. We recommend a clear, premixed adhesive.
- 2. Apply the paste to the back of the paper, which will become flexible and easy to hang. Allow the paste to become tacky prior to hanging (exact time will vary based on temperature, humidity, etc.)
- 3. Do not add excessive water to the paste as it may cause the backing paper to pull away from the front.

### Trimming

- The edges have NOT been pretrimmed at the factory. Please create your own precision edge to remove
  any waviness of silk to make it straight prior to installation on your table.
- 2. Double Cut is recommended.
- 3. Trim edges with a VERY sharp razor blade. Change your blades often.

### Tips

- 1. Use a soft brush or cloth when hanging, as to not damage the face of the wallcovering.
- 2. DO NOT allow paste or excessive water to stain the front of the wallcovering.
- 3. Piror to hanging, determine which strips will provide the most even shading. In general, hanging silk wallcoverings in the same direction will produce the most consistent shading. However, we leave it to the installer on the job to make the ultimate decision.
- 4. The silk wallcoverings have a natural finish and may show some shade variation from strip to strip.

  As the wallcovering oxidizes, these variations should soften over time.
- 5. Paste, trim and hang one strip at a time.
- Consider using a light painters tape to cover the edges of previously installed strips, so that the paste coming out from the seams will not settle on the installed strips.
- 7. Gently smooth the wallcovering using a plastic smoother. Do not use a seam roller.