

INSTALLATION TIPS



- 1)** Remove sheets from boxes and lay the material out on the floor to check for any abnormalities in sheets (re: pebble size, color, etc.) Be sure to get the material wet while doing this check, it is a good idea to get customer approval at this time.
- 2)** Install using thinset make sure to have a one quarter inch per foot pitch to drain for shower pan installation. Remove any excess thinset which may have pushed through to the grout level and fill in any void areas as needed with loose stones.
- 3)** Remove any extremely high stones and replace before grouting, let thinset dry for 12 hours before grouting.
- 4)** Apply a pre grout sealer to more porous stones to fill in small holes to facilitate easier grout removal. (see sealer for dry times)
- 5)** Grout evenly ensuring good coverage, use scotch pad or coarse sponge to ensure even grouting. After a few minutes use a brush to help remove excess grout, make sure the apex of every stone or pebble is visible. Use sponge to smooth the remaining grout while cleaning the tops of the stones. Remove as much film and haze as possible. Multiple cleanings will be required for best results. Allow 12 hours to dry
- 6)** Check job over for any grout remaining on stone surface which can be gently sanded off or carefully scraped with a chisel. Remove the final haze by cleaning with either a sulfuric acid mixture or a strong vinegar solution.
- 7)** After the grout has cured for at least 72 hours, apply a quality sealer. Start off with a small amount in a corner and check the result before doing the entire job. Penetrating sealer will leave the natural tones while an enhancer will give the material more of a wet look. Apply at least two coats. Refer to sealer instructions for application frequency and dry times.