

THE BASICS

Make sure the wallcovering received is the wallcovering that was ordered. Once material is removed from its packaging and cut, it is no longer returnable. Our handmade patterns are bespoke and made to order. Additional material from your material's dye lot may not be available. Subtle irregularities in the weave and shading from drop to drop are common in natural wallcoverings and are not considered a defect. Wallcovering must be stored in a climate controlled environment consistent with normal living conditions. Temperatures inside should not be below 65 degrees or above 85 degrees Fahrenheit. Humidity should be relative.

WALL PREPARATION

Wall preparation is essential. We recommend hanging over new, smooth sheetrock that is dust free. Most installation issues arise from inadequate wall preparation. If the installation is to occur on a wall which recently had an old wallcovering removed, it is imperative that an experienced contractor is hired to decalcify and properly prep the wall.

WALLCOVERING SPECIFIC PRIMER

A high quality primer and adhesive is crucial - a latex pigmented wallcovering specific primer is a must. Allow the primer to dry completely before recoating or hanging.

GLUE ON FACE OF MATERIAL

Sometimes we get to have do-overs - this isn't one of those times! Our wallcoverings are made from natural materials and they do not perform like vinyl. It is imperative that adhesive does not get on the material's face when installing as it can discolor the material. We recommend applying a low adhesive tape to the edge of previously installed strips so that the paste coming out from the seams will not settle on the edge of the installed strips. This will prevent adhesive from discoloring the seam.

CLEANING

Always take care while cleaning - do not scrub or use abrasive cleaners. Use a soft brush attachment of a vacuum cleaner. A damp cloth may also be used but be sure NOT to soak the material.

HANGING

Our patterns must be straight hung to match repeat. Your professional wallcovering installer should cut the strips to the correct proportion considering the height and the width of the wall with the repeat in mind. Use the Erika M. Powell logo in the selvage as an indicator for where the panels should join together (see installation diagram enclosed for more details). Remember, **measure twice and cut once**. We recommend table trimming and butt seaming this wallcovering. A fresh blade should be used and changed out often. Once cut, your installer should roll the backside of the wallcovering with a clear, pre-mixed vinyl adhesive, allowing the paste to become tacky prior to hanging. Once ready, the panels should be applied to the wall using a soft plastic smoother.

VOILE!

You now have gorgeous grasscloth hanging and we would love to see it!
Tag us on instagram [@erikampowelltextiles](https://www.instagram.com/erikampowelltextiles) or send photos to hello@erikampowell.com
so we can 'ooh and ahh' with you!

HERE TO HELP

In need of assistance? Holler at sales@erikampowell.com or call 850.608.3075
and we will be happy to help you out! Our office open Monday-Thursday, 9:30am-5:30pm CST.