

## PRODUCT ADVICE

### SURFACE PRINTED WALLPAPER

All Fired Earth wallpapers are inspired by our eco friendly paint and applied to FSC Certified paper using artisan techniques.

Notice to Paper Hangers: Fired Earth wallpapers are manufactured using hand crafted surface print methods.

Our colours are applied using a classic printing technique that creates a unique hand-printed effect. Distinctive by the large amount of ink required, no drying time is given between layering each colour which creates a soft look to the design.

Whilst every care is taken in our quality control division, we ask that you check all rolls are undamaged and that the wallpaper and colourway are correct. All rolls must have the same batch number. Please note that our papers can be rolled in either direction, before hanging check you have the pattern the correct way up. If in any doubt, please refer to [www.firedearth.com](http://www.firedearth.com) or contact us directly. Once the wallpaper has been hung we cannot accept responsibility for errors.

We recommend after hanging 2 or 3 lengths that you inspect the result to ensure no faults are present as we are unable to reimburse you for redecorating costs beyond one roll.

Preparation: Remove any traces of dirt, old wallpaper or flaking paint. Cracks and irregularities should be filled with suitable filler. Unsound paint should be sealed with an appropriate primer. Gloss painted surfaces should be sanded and any damp walls should be treated before hanging. Absorbent surfaces should be primed using diluted wallpaper adhesive or primer following the manufacturer's instructions. All surfaces must be clean and dry.

Our wallpapers are 150 gsm and are classified as a medium to heavy grade paper. However if the walls are uneven lining paper may be used. It must be hung horizontally and fully dry before hanging the wallpaper.

Dark colours: Extra care should be taken when hanging dark coloured papers because if not butted together correctly the edges may be more noticeable over a lighter background. If you are unsure of achieving the perfect edge a useful tip is to paint a strip of emulsion in a similar colour where the wallpaper seams will meet on the wall.

Please check pattern repeat before cutting lengths according to the height of the walls allowing 2-3 inches at the top and bottom for trimming.

**Application:** **Paste-** We recommend using a ready mixed wallpaper paste containing preservatives and fungicide. Please ensure that it is suitable for hanging a paper of more than 150 gsm weight.

If unsure always use the paste manufacturers recommendation for heavier paper. Starting at the centre apply an even coat over the paper, making sure that the edges are well pasted.

Allow the paper to soak for approximately 5 minutes until pliable.

If the paper becomes too wet it will shrink when dry.

If the paper is not soaked for the correct amount of time, either too long or not long enough, then the paper may shrink or bubbles may remain when the paper dries.

Hang the paper vertically using a plumb line for the first length. Smooth the paper evenly onto the surface from the centre to the edges to expel air bubbles.

During application do not stretch as it will shrink back when dry.

Shrinkage can happen when your paste is too watery or when too little paste is used.

All of our papers have a traditional matt finish. Any paste left on the paper can show as shiny areas. Please ensure any excess paste is removed completely using a damp cloth before it dries.

We suggest the paper is allowed to dry out naturally and recommend that central heating is turned off in the room.

**Considerations:** While our papers can be hung in bathrooms local conditions will differ e.g. size, extraction and general humidity.

As such we cannot guarantee our papers suitability across all areas. Any customer considering papering such a room must consider the general environment of the room.

Our papers are not suitable for high humidity areas. If hanging in kitchens or bathrooms ensure sufficient ventilation.

Take care when using household cleaning products as they may cause marks if they come into contact with our papers.

Cleaning:

Our wallpapers can be gently cleaned with an almost dry soft cloth.



<b>Internal Decorative Wallcovering</b>	Reaction to Fire: Class D s3, d0 Release of Formaldehyde: Passed Release of Heavy Metals & Specific Elements: Passed Release of Vinyl Chloride Monomer: Passed Sound Absorption: NPD Thermal Resistance NPD
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