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## Instructions for hanging Wood Panel Wallcovering

**STOP: DO NOT CUT OR INSTALL UNTIL YOU HAVE READ THESE INSTRUCTIONS**

This fine handcrafted wallcovering will reward you with many years of complete satisfaction. These specialty wallcoverings require careful and considered application. Wood Panel is 100% real micro-thin wood veneer on a non-woven backing. It's a contemporary pattern with a seamless side match. Note that subtle shading differences between strips are inherent in natural wallcoverings. For the best results, we recommend a professional wallcovering installer hang these wallcoverings.

### **BEFORE YOU CUT OR HANG, PLEASE BE SURE YOU HAVE:**

1. The correct wallcovering, dye lots match and the correct amount of wallcovering to finish the job.
2. Inspect the wallcovering carefully to ensure it is free of defects:  
If no defect is evident before installation, the material should be inspected after three 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 Thibaut is notified. **NO CLAIMS WILL BE ALLOWED FOR MORE THAN THREE STRIPS ON THE WALL. All claims must be made within 30 days of invoice date. NO LABOR CLAIMS WILL BE ALLOWED AT ANY TIME.** As a gesture of goodwill if a quality flaw is of concern Thibaut will reimburse \$200.00 to any professional installer that adheres to the conditions noted above.
3. If a defect is discovered after the wallpaper is all or partially hung, a claim form and photographs must be submitted to [claims@thibautdesign.com](mailto:claims@thibautdesign.com) for review. Claim forms may be requested from our claims email address or by contacting Client Experience at [cs@thibautdesign.com](mailto:cs@thibautdesign.com).
4. Install all wallcovering under adequate lighting and heat conditions that will exist when space is occupied.

### **DO'S & DON'TS**

1. At no time should this wallcovering be bent or creased as the wood veneer will crack.
2. Gently smooth the wallcovering with a soft bristle smoother or cloth.
3. Do not use a seam roller.
4. Do not reverse strips. Reversing the strips will alter the pattern.
5. Use strips in the exact order as they are cut from the roll. Fill in over doors and windows with strips cut in consecutive order from roll.
6. Do not allow paste or excessive water to stain the front of the wallcovering.
7. Consider using a light painters tape to cover the edges of the previously installed strips, so that the paste coming out of the seams will not settle on installed strips.

### **ADHESIVE:**

This wallcovering requires the use of a heavy duty clear premixed vinyl adhesive. Dilution of the adhesive should be avoided.

### **RETURNS:**

Only unopened rolls are returnable for credit within 30 days of invoice and are subject to the prevailing restocking charge. Learn more about Thibaut's return policy [here](#).

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## **WALL PREPARATION:**

1. Wallcovering may be applied to any smooth, clean, dry surface.
2. Remove old wallcovering completely and remove remaining adhesive.
3. Cracks should be filled with spackling compound and sanded smooth.
4. Glossy or enamel walls should be lightly sanded and washed with common household detergent.
5. Prime all walls with a Universal Pre-Wallcovering primer.

## **INSTALLATION:**

1. Hang the first strip parallel to a plumb line. Cut strips a few inches longer than required to allow for trimming at ceiling and baseboard. Once the best hanging sequence has been determined, continue around the room in the same sequence until you complete the room.
2. Pre-paste the wall and allow 20-30 minutes for paste to dry before hanging.
3. Apply the recommended adhesive to the back of the first strip using a paint roller. Work the adhesive to cover the back completely, especially near the edges and let relax. Typical relaxing time is 8 - 10 minutes.
4. Use a soft bristled smoothing brush or cloth to remove air pockets or paste lumps working toward the uncovered wall assuring complete adhesion.
5. With clean water and a sponge, clean off any excessive adhesive on the face of the wallcovering, do not scrub or rub. Do not use excessive water on the front of the wallcovering.
6. For trimming at ceiling, baseboard, windows and doors it is recommended that the wallcovering be slightly dampened on the face and back with water in the areas to be trimmed before applying adhesive. Do not soak and allow to relax for 2-3 minutes.
7. Trim with a single edge razor blade changing razor blades often. Wrapping outside corners. Be sure corners are smooth and square before beginning.
8. Pre-paste the area to be wrapped with the recommended adhesive and let dry. The section to be wrapped should have as large a portion of the inlay motif as possible on each side of the corner.
9. Before pasting backside of the paper, dampen the face and back of the product with a wet sponge. Do not soak. Allow to relax for 2-3 minutes.
10. Check the flexibility of the product on the corner area. If there is resistance, allow additional relaxing time. Do not force the product to wrap the corner. If the product is not ready to bend, it may split.

## **CARE & CLEANING**

1. Before cleaning, test first on a small inconspicuous area. Avoid getting the wallcovering excessively wet.
2. Do not use cleaners, solvents, or chemicals of any kind. This product may be cleaned by blotting the soiled area with a soft, clean cloth dampened with a weak solution of mild, clear liquid soap. Dry with a soft cloth.
3. Mold and mildew require moisture in order to grow, therefore it is important that any excessive moisture in the wall be corrected prior to installation.
4. Old walls where mold spores may be present, should be washed with a detergent solution or cleaned using a vacuum with a HEPA filter.
5. This should be followed by treating with a chlorine bleach solution of 1 cup bleach to 4 quarts water to kill any remaining pores.
6. Rinse clean and dry.