

# WALL MURAL

# PASTE THE WALL INSTALLATION GUIDE

## For Classic & Premium Materials

Please read these instructions carefully before you start to install your wall mural.



## Before you Begin - Wall Preparation

### To Install on a Plastered Wall

Preparing the wall is the most important part of the process. Ensure the wall is clean and dry with no loose plaster or contaminants. The wall **MUST** be smooth and free from any texture. Sand down any rough areas or fill any holes you may have. Once you are happy the wall is perfectly smooth, flat and free from any loose plaster, you must prepare (size) your wall with a primer/sealer.

### To Install on a Painted Wall

If you have an old painted wall with some loose or flaky paint we recommend that you chip away the flakes and smooth the surface with sandpaper. Use filler and sand if it is required to achieve a smooth wall. When you are happy the wall is perfectly smooth, flat and free from any loose plaster, you must prepare (size) your wall with a primer/sealer.

### To Install on a Papered Surface

Remove any old paper. The wall will need to be completely smooth otherwise the new wallpaper may not stick down properly. **Do NOT use lining paper underneath this mural.** When you are happy the wall is perfectly smooth, flat and free from any old paper, you must prepare (size) your wall with a primer/sealer.

### Preparing (sizing) Your Wall Before You Install

After preparing your wall, it is very important that you then prepare (size) your wall with a primer/sealer before installing. **You MUST prepare (size) the wall with primer/sealer before installation.** You will need to leave the primer to dry according to the manufacturers guidelines.

### CHECK YOUR MURAL

Please check your entire mural carefully before you begin to install. Lay the panels out and leave to rest for at least 5 hours. If you notice any defects with the material or image, **please STOP and contact us straight away - DO NOT INSTALL THE MURAL.** (This includes creases, defects, marks, panel edges and any image issues).

### OTHER

**Please use the Solvite 'Paste the Wall' paste provided with your mural only!**

- Do not pre-trim your mural before installing.
- Do not rub the mural surface vigorously during installation and overwork the seams.
- We recommend that two people install this mural together to help achieve the best results.

**Note:** Each 230g sachet of Solvite 'Paste the Wall' adhesive supplied with your mural should provide enough coverage for up to 24m<sup>2</sup> (e.g. 8m wide x 3m high) or 270 ft<sup>2</sup> (e.g. 27ft wide x 10ft high).

See next page for 'Getting Started'

# What You'll Need

Solvite 'Paste the Wall' adhesive, roller and tray, tape measure, spirit level, pencil, smoothing brush, Stanley knife/cutting knife, straight edge (for trimming) and a damp cloth.



## 1. Getting started

- The wall mural is supplied in 'panels'. Carefully unpack each of the panels and lay them out in order.
- Start from the left or right and work from a straight plumb line.
- Please ensure your wall has a smooth, clean and dry surface that is free from any fixtures or loose plaster or paint. If your surface is dry and absorbent, you must seal it with a primer/sealer.

### **Important - please read 'Before you Begin - Wall Preparation'**

- We advise that you sponge or spray the wall with water prior to installing the panels to ensure the wall is perfectly clean and ready for your mural.

## 2. Installing the first drop

- Have your panels laid flat on a clean surface.
- This wall mural requires you to paste the wall and not the paper.
- Use a medium pile paint roller to apply the paste to the wall, pasting only one drop/panel area at a time.
- Carefully apply the wall mural panel to the prepared surface taking care not to squeeze the adhesive out at the edges.
- Slide the panel into position so it meets your vertical guideline, with the extra bleed to the top, bottom and side, running over the edges.
- Ideally using a smoothing brush or damp sponge, very gently press your panel against the wall, starting at the top. Continue with this to gently smooth out all the wrinkles and bubbles, without applying too much pressure.

## 3. Additional panels

- Remembering to paste the wall first, apply the second and subsequent panels, ensuring the pattern or image matches up as you go and that the appropriate amount of bleed runs over the top and bottom edges. Our panels are applied 'edge to edge', so each panel butts up to the next on the wall. There is no overlap on the panels.
- When butting up, gently slide the panel into position and adjust as appropriate. Ensure the panels are well butted, without any gaps between the panels.
- Follow the same process of smoothing the panel, ensuring this is done very gently so as not to move the panel, once it is correctly in place.
- Continue to apply all middle panels before installing the last panel, which should be your far left or far right panel, depending on which side you started.

## 4. Trim top, bottom and sides

- When all panels have been installed, carefully trim the top and bottom of your panels plus the far left and far right sides, using a straight edge. Don't rush this and ensure you have sharp blade to achieve the best results.
- Once complete use a damp sponge or cloth to remove any excess paste.

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 Please remember to recycle your packaging

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