Do not discard: Please read before hanging wallcovering.

WC2297 Galileo WC2299 Light Year WC2300 Milky Way

Installation Instructions

For best results, KnollTextiles recommends that a qualified wallcovering installer is employed.

Terms and Conditions

- Material must be examined prior to cutting and installation.
- Please check that all rolls are the correct color and pattern.
- No claims will be allowed for hanging the wrong color or pattern.
- Material should be tested by hanging NO MORE THAN 3 STRIPS. If you have questions after hanging the first 3 strips, call Customer Service at 866-565-5858. KnollTextiles will not be responsible for any labor costs thereafter.
- No adjustments will be allowed after the material is cut.

Wall Preparation

- All previous wallcovering and paint residue should be removed, and surface protrusions and low spots sanded and filled so that hanging surface is clean, smooth, and thoroughly dry.
- KnollTextiles does not recommend installing wallcovering over existing material and doing so will void our product warranty.
- Glossy surfaces should be sanded to dull the surface, and dust removed with a dry cloth.
- Surface should be thoroughly sealed. A quality wallcovering primer should be used on all surfaces.
- Lining the walls is usually not needed. The installer should determine if necessary.
- If a paper or canvas liner is thought necessary, the same heavy-duty vinyl adhesive with low water content should be used as on the actual wallcovering. This will help prevent mildew.
- Any mildew must be removed from the walls and surfaces treated to inhibit further mildew growth.
- Prior to installation, verify that moisture level within walls does not exceed 6% using a moisture meter.
- Moisture infiltration and water vapor within and behind walls must be eliminated.
- If walls show signs of mold, mildew, water damage, or moisture content of walls exceed 6%, do not
 proceed with the installation until the problem is corrected under the direction of a qualified expert.
- Acceptable hanging surfaces must be clean, smooth, thoroughly dry, and structurally intact.
- Freshly plastered walls must be dry before application.
- Surface color should be uniform throughout the installation area. Variations in wall color may affect overall appearance of goods after installation.
- Light colored wallcoverings will require the underlying wall surface to be of a uniform color.
- The temperature in the area of installation and storage should be maintained above 55° at all times and the air humidity should be a maximum 50%.
- Adequate lighting is necessary for a proper installation.

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Adhesive

- Hang wallcovering with a premium quality, heavy-duty, clear, vinyl type adhesive with a low water content (at the discretion of installer). Do not dilute adhesive or introduce additional additives. Adhesive must be suitable for natural fiber wall materials.
- Use of any other type of adhesive will be solely at the risk of the installer.
- Allow adhesive to become tacky before applying wallcovering.

Application

- Review the recommended hanging direction for pattern.
- Using the highest roll number first, start by cutting strips to the height of the wall plus 2" to allow for trimming at the ceiling and skirting.
- Use a pencil to number the strips in sequence and to mark top and bottom in order to be able to straight or reverse hang. See roll label for recommended hang direction.
- Please note that markings on lighter color materials may telegraph through to the face. It is recommended that you use an alternate method to indicate "top", "bottom" and sequence numbers.
- Handle the cut strips with care to avoid creases and damage to pre-trimmed edges.
- Use a plumb line and lead pencil to mark a vertical line approximately one width less 1", in from an internal corner. The 1" is to allow for trimming into the corner itself.
- Apply adhesive to the wall using a short-haired synthetic roller. Do not over-paste the wall and avoid getting adhesive on the face of the wallcovering.
- Paste 8" beyond the width of each strip so that you do not get adhesive on the first strip when you have to paste the next one.
- Place the first strip on the wall with its trimmed edge against the plumb line and allow the material to overrun a little at the ceiling, skirting, and corner.
- Use a rubber roller to firm the material against the wall, eliminating any air pockets.
- Start from the middle, and work upwards and downwards.
- The wallcovering is precision trimmed and should be butt jointed.
- Avoid the use of a hard roller, metal spatula, or overworking on the seams as this may damage and mark the edges. In addition, you may press out adhesive which may stain the surface. Use a soft rubber roller if necessary.
- If you have an external corner, the material should be wrapped around by at least 10".
- If working with multiple lots, make certain that the lot numbers are separated at break points, such as corners. (DO NOT INTERMINGLE MULTIPLE LOTS)
- Do not crease wallcovering.
- Throughout the installation process, special care should be taken to avoid getting any adhesive on the face of the fabric.

General

- If adhesive gets on the wallcovering, it may be impossible to remove. If this happens, remove the adhesive immediately when still wet with a damp sponge and dry the surface with a clean, dry towel.
- Once the adhesive is dried, it may be impossible to remove.