CHESAPEAKE TILE & MARBLE Reclaimed Bricks - General Information

Nominal sizes and thickness could vary up to half an inch. **We recommend a grout joint of ¼".** Due to the nature of the reclaimed product, chipped corners and cracked pieces are normal and add to the aged visual of the product.

The product is sold AS IS. We ensure that all our bundles and pallets leave our warehouse properly packed.

Website photos and loose samples are a general, nominal, and only indicative reference range of the reclaimed and salvaged brick selections we offer. Due to the nature and the varying sources (buildings wrecking, and demolitions, barnyard recycling, old paving replacement, etc) selections vary within the same bundle, pallet, current lot and shipment to shipment**. Due to the high level of color variation between lots, please request and refer to a current sample. Blending of bricks from different bundles is recommended.**

Additionally, we recommend a minimum 20% overage when ordering any reclaimed brick products.

Applications:

Interior: Suitable for light & heavy traffic interior floors, walls, fireplace surrounds. **Not for use in firebox**.

Exterior: Suitable for use in **non freeze-thaw** environments only.

****We recommend sealing our reclaimed bricks with Dry-Treat Premium Impregnating Sealer (Formerly Stain-Proof Original)****

General installation directions:

1. Prepare substrate as for a tile installation
    a. Level the subfloor as needed
    b. Best substrates are concrete slab, tile backerboard, or anti-fracture membrane such as Ditra or Protecto-wrap

2. Install with Latex modified thin set mortar using a ¼”x ¼ ” notch trowel. This will help to create a bed that can make it easier to even up the top of the bricks in the event of any slight thickness variances.
3. Use a diamond blade wet saw to make any cuts needed at the edges.
4. Set tiles to desired pattern and grout joint. Grout joint will widen visually due to the irregular edges of the bricks.
5. Wait 24 to 48 hours for the installation to dry before grouting.
6. If the desired look is less grout in the surface pits, then use a grout release sealer before grouting. Or use a grout bag to fill up the grout joints.
7. Grout with sanded grout or equivalent grout for wider joints. Mason’s mortar can be used for Downtown or Cottage selections
    a. USE WHITER GROUT for Manor white washed selection.
8. Clean grout and residue with water and other cleaners as necessary. For manor(white washed selection only) In order to achieve a whiter finish and less brick color appearance, the installer could have the option of grouting over the tile with white grout and leave grout reisdue and haze as desired
9. Seal bricks and grout with sealer for desired appearance:
    a. Use a non-gloss penetrating sealer for a more natural and matte finish.
    b. Use a wet look glossy sealer for a glossier wet look, low/medium gloss finish.
10. Please allow a larger percentage waste factor than usual

Before and after installation pictures.

Cracked & chipped bricks prior to installation:



As incorporated into final installation:



Cleaning:

Clear with water and soap, or industry recommended or household cleaning products that are NON-abrasive/non acidic/non harsh. Read manufacturers recommendations and instructions. Do not use abrasive harsh or acidic cleaners (like vinegar, baking soda, etc...) Do not use sandpaper, nylon meshes or hard plastic/steel wood brushes.

Maintenance:

It is recommended to re-seal the surface.

Traffic and exposure to water and soiling elements will determine the frequency and type of maintenance needed. Please consult with your professional installer and contractor.

Follow sealer manufacturer's product usage, sealing instructions as well as usage frequency.

Disclaimer: **The Manor colorway's whitewash finish will wear over time when used on interior floors**