

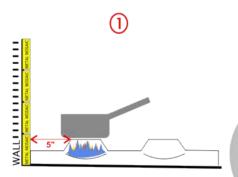
PREMIUM REAL METAL MOSAICS CARE/INSTALLATION AND MAINTENANCE PROCEDURES

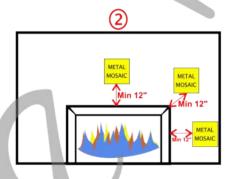
BEFORE INSTALLATIONS

Please note this product is handmade, therefore you can find color and shade variations (V3) in the tiles due to the way the product is made. We recommend dry laying out your tiles before fixing to ensure you get a good mix of shades across the area. For very large areas please ask experts in on line services for further advice.

INSTALLATION

- 1. Install using a POLYMER BASED (liquid latex / latex modified reinforced) HIGH QUALITY ADHESIVE.
- 2. Apply setting materials to the substrate using the notched side of an approximately 5 mm x 4 mm x 5 mm V-notched trowel. Using the flat side of the trowel, smooth out all ridges to achieve a consistent, even 3 mm thick coverage.
- 3. Apply metal mosaic sheets, mesh-side down, firmly into the freshly spread setting material. Blend from various cartons to achieve a consistent variation. Using the rubber float or equivalent tool, gently press the tile into the adhesive to ensure complete contact.
- 4. If tile requires cutting, use a standard diamond blade (please do not use tile cutters made for marking or breaking metal mosaic tiles). Then apply PROTECTIVE VARNISH TO THE CUT SIDE. Wait 24 hours to allow curing prior or installing and grouting the application.
- Work in small areas of eight or ten tiles at one time. If mortar starts to set or dry to the touch remove immediately and reapply before setting sheet.
- Allow tile to set onto surface for 24 hours or to mortar products recommendation for drying time.
- 7. Please pay attention that there should be minimum 5" inches distance between tiled surfaces and heat if there is no Back-Guard/Back-mount panel behind your cook-tops.(1)
- Please pay attention that there should be minimum 6" inches distance between tiled surfaces and the fireplace opening. Please keep a minimum 12" distance above the fireplace opening, if used above and projecting more than 1½" from a fireplace face. Please take your state advice on clearance if your area needs more.





GROUTING

- 1. Use only UNSANDED and WATER CLEANABLE EPOXY GROUT. IT IS VERY IMPORTANT TO UNDERSTAND ANY ABRASIVE MATERIALS OR CHEMICALS CAN SCRATCH THE SURFACE OF YOUR METAL TILE.
- To aid in spreading the grout, slightly moisten the metal tile surface with a **DAMP SPONGE** just before application. Do not flood the metal tiles or allow water to stand in the ungrouted joint areas.
- 3. Force UNSANDED GROUT into the joints with a rubber grout float. Make sure all joints are well-compacted and free of voids and gaps.
- Remove excess grout from the tile surface, moving the grout float diagonally to the joints with a **DAMP SPONGE**.
- The grout surface should be flush with the tile edge.
- Do not use sandpaper, steel wool, scouring pads or any other abrasive materials.
- Do not allow grout to dry onto surface of metal mosaic tile.
- After dried, clean your metal mosaic tile with non-abrasive, non-acidic, or ph neutral cleaning solution. Room temperature water is the most effective when hand polishing.
- Do not use cleaners containing solvents / acids. Multi surface / multipurpose cleaners are never recommended. Cleaning should be done with only "soft soap" and "natural" cleaners.

APPLICATION

- Products are not recommended for use on countertops.
- Products can be installed and used in wet areas such as backsplashes, bathroom walls and shower.
- Products are not recommended in areas where temperatures rise above 212 °F.
- Products should be installed a minimum of 12" from direct flames of fire place.

CARE AND MAINTENANCE

- Clean regularly with clear water and/or neutral (soapless) cleaner, soft soap wipe dry with soft cloth (do not use abrasive
- Do not use sandpaper, steel wool, scouring pads or any other abrasive materials.







