

® PREMIUM PORCELAIN

Al Fresco

INDOORS & OUTDOORS



COLLECTION 2019

WHY CHOOSE AL FRESCO?

Our new premium porcelain **Al Fresco** range features 10mm tiles for indoor use and 20mm tiles for outdoor use to create seamless open plan living spaces.

Our premium porcelain outdoor tiles offer a stylish alternative to stone or concrete flagstones and our wood effect range creates the look of high-end timber decking but with many added benefits such as good slip resistance. Hard wearing and practical, these tiles have a **10 year guarantee**, are simple to install and require no sealing - the perfect way to create a durable and low maintenance living space.





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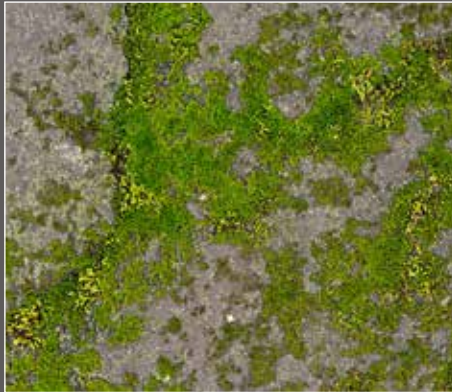
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FEATURES & BENEFITS

Not only do **Al Fresco** tiles look amazing, they also have many other beneficial properties. Our tiles are manufactured in a way that avoids all imperfections associated with natural stone and traditional paving slabs. Pressed in a raw state and heated at very high temperatures, **Al Fresco** tiles are strong, durable and have a **10 year guarantee!**

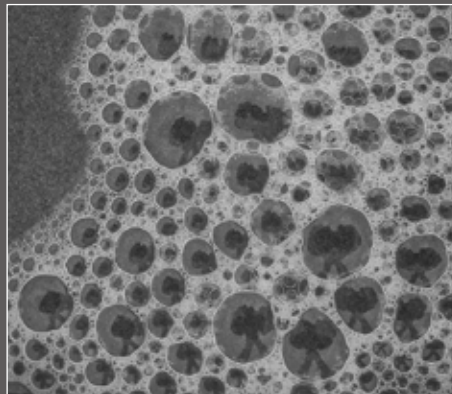


Algae & Moss Resistant



No need to worry about your tiles turning green - Al Fresco tiles are resistant to algae and moss keeping them looking their best all year round.

Al Fresco tiles have been designed to provide you with low maintenance living. To clean, simply use a hard brush and soapy water.



Easy to Clean



Fade Resistant



Unlike traditional paving, Al Fresco tiles are great for sunny spots and will not fade or lose their colour.

Loose lay Al Fresco tiles onto grass or gravel, or use the pedestal system which allows you to create patio areas without the need for sealing. See Page 24 for more information on installation techniques.



**Simple to
Install**



**Uniform
Thickness**



Al Fresco tiles are manufactured to be completely level and flat. Every tile is created at the exact same thickness giving any project a premium perfect finish.

Al Fresco tiles are the perfect option for all seasons. Frostproof and durable, these tiles will not crack in winter temperatures.



Frostproof



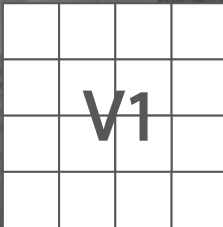
**Good Slip
Resistance**



Hard wearing and practical, Al Fresco tiles have a good slip rating of up to R11 making them ideal for indoors and outdoors. See page 30 for more information on R ratings.

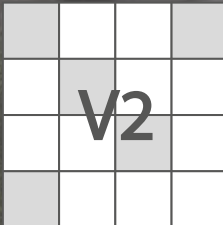
GUIDE TO VARIATIONS

Al Fresco tiles are designed to replicate natural materials and feature a variety of textures, patterns and colours. Below is a simple guide to shading and tone to aid you in choosing the perfect tile for your space. Look for the icons on the individual product pages.



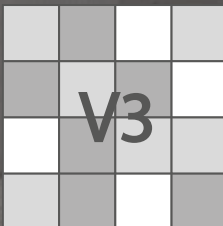
Uniform appearance

Shading and colour differences are minimal.



Slight variation

Distinguishable yet subtle differences in texture and pattern with similar colouring.



Moderate variation

Varying texture, pattern and shading but with a similar colour identity.



Substantial variation

Random colour, texture and pattern differences between each tile that creates a totally unique look.

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BARRINGTON BEIGE



Code	P10684
Size	60 x 90 cm
Thickness	20 mm
Finish	Matt
Suitability	Outdoor Floors
Slip Rating	R11



BARRINGTON GREY



Code	P10685
Size	60 x 90 cm
Thickness	20 mm
Finish	Matt
Suitability	Outdoor Floors
Slip Rating	R11



Hampton Silver 60 x 60 cm indoor & outdoor

HAMPTON SILVER

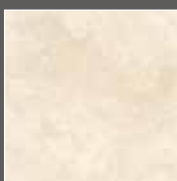


Code	P10687	P10783	P10811
Size	45 x 90 cm	60 x 60 cm	60 x 60 cm
Thickness	20 mm	20 mm	10 mm
Finish	Matt	Matt	Matt
Suitability	Outdoor Floors	Outdoor Floors	Indoor Floors & Walls
Slip Rating	R11	R11	R9



Hampton Beige 60 x 60 cm indoor & outdoor

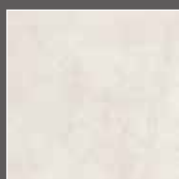
HAMPTON BEIGE



Code	P10686	P10699	P10812
Size	45 x 90 cm	60 x 60 cm	60 x 60 cm
Thickness	20 mm	20 mm	10 mm
Finish	Matt	Matt	Matt
Suitability	Outdoor Floors	Outdoor Floors	Indoor Floors & Walls
Slip Rating	R11	R11	R9



ASCOT IVORY



Code	P10781	P10813
Size	60 x 60 cm	60 x 60 cm
Thickness	20 mm	10 mm
Finish	Matt	Matt
Suitability	Outdoor Floors	Indoor Floors & Walls
Slip Rating	R11	R9



ASCOT SILVER

Code	P10782	P10814
Size	60 x 60 cm	60 x 60 cm
Thickness	20 mm	10 mm
Finish	Matt	Matt
Suitability	Outdoor Floors	Indoor Floors & Walls
Slip Rating	R11	R9





Tatton Sand 60 x 60cm outdoor & Tatton Grey 60 x 60cm indoor

TATTON SAND

Code	P10689	P10815
Size	60 x 60 cm	60 x 60 cm
Thickness	20 mm	10 mm
Finish	Matt	Matt
Suitability	Outdoor Floors	Indoor Floors & Walls
Slip Rating	R11	R10





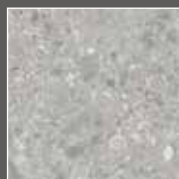
TATTON GREY



Code	P10688	P10816
Size	60 x 60 cm	60 x 60 cm
Thickness	20 mm	10 mm
Finish	Matt	Matt
Suitability	Outdoor Floors	Indoor Floors & Walls
Slip Rating	R11	R10



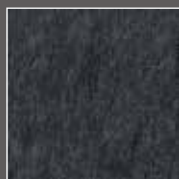
CLAREMONT GREY



Code	P10786
Size	60 x 60 cm
Thickness	20 mm
Finish	Matt
Suitability	Outdoor Floors
Slip Rating	R11



EMMETT BLACK



Code	P10785	P10817
Size	60 x 60 cm	60 x 60 cm
Thickness	20 mm	10 mm
Finish	Matt	Matt
Suitability	Outdoor Floors	Indoor Floors & Walls
Slip Rating	R11	R9



Westbury Grey 60 x 60 cm indoor & outdoor

WESTBURY GREY



Code	P10768	P10662	P10663
Size	60 x 90 cm	60 x 60 cm	60 x 60 cm
Thickness	20 mm	20 mm	10 mm
Finish	Matt	Matt	Matt
Suitability	Outdoor Floors	Outdoor Floors	Indoor Floors & Walls
Slip Rating	R11	R11	R9



Lodge Natural 30 x 120 cm indoor & outdoor & Westbury Grey 60 x 90 cm

LODGE NATURAL



Code	P10692	P10818
Size	30 x 120 cm	30 x 120 cm
Thickness	20 mm	10 mm
Finish	Matt	Matt
Suitability	Outdoor Floors	Indoor Floors & Walls
Slip Rating	R11	R9



Kenwood Ash 30 x 120 cm indoor & outdoor & Hampton Beige 45 x 90 cm

KENWOOD ASH



Code	P10691	P10819
Size	30 x 120 cm	30 x 120 cm
Thickness	20 mm	10 mm
Finish	Matt	Matt
Suitability	Outdoor Floors	Indoor Floors & Walls
Slip Rating	R11	R9



Kenwood Oak 30 x 120 cm, Hampton Silver 45 x 90 cm outdoor & 60 x 60 cm indoor

KENWOOD OAK

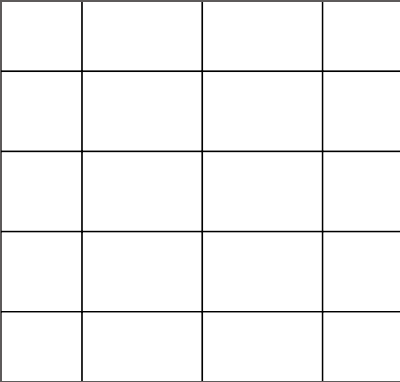


Code	P10690	P10820
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Finish	Matt	Matt
Suitability	Outdoor Floors	Indoor Floors & Walls
Slip Rating	R11	R9

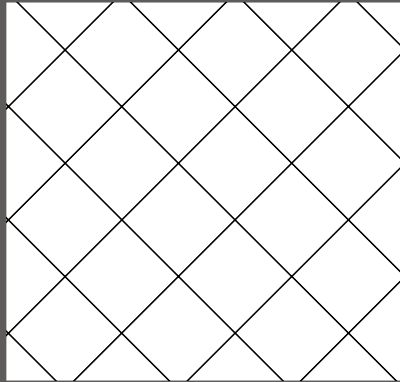
LAYOUT INSPIRATION

When it comes to laying tiles in your home and garden, many people choose a regular grid of square or rectangular slabs, all the same size and colour. By playing with different textures, colours and patterns you can create beautiful statement floors. It's surprisingly easy to create a practical space that blends the boundaries between indoors and outdoors.

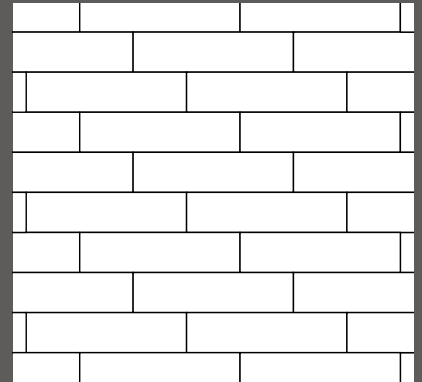
Here are some simple yet creative ideas to inspire you and help you to design your perfect space.



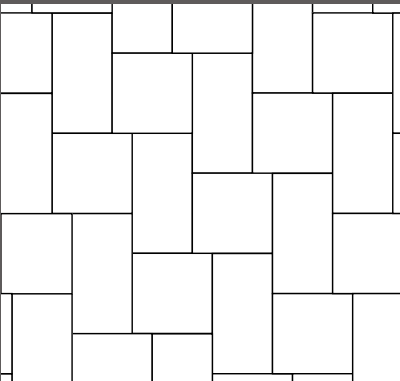
Stack bond is the simplest and most common way to lay a patio.



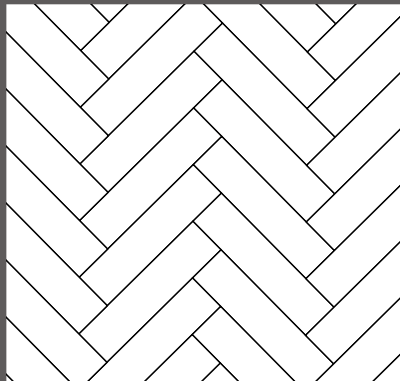
Create an interesting twist on a simple pattern with this **diagonal linear** layout.



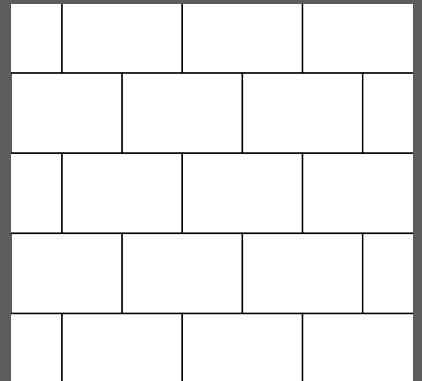
Third bond is a great way to lay planks and larger tiles for a natural look.



Modular patterns use mixed shapes to create a natural look. Ideal for **Hampton & Westbury** which feature multiple sizes.



The **herringbone** pattern is a good way to create a sense of space in small areas. Suitable for rectangular and plank shaped tiles.



Please note: We **do not** recommend **half bond** (brick bond) for **Al Fresco** tiles.

DESIGN INSPIRATION

Whatever type of home you have and whatever size the outdoor space, there's plenty to consider when giving it a makeover. With a little design know-how and creative inspiration even the smallest space can become a peaceful retreat or a functional entertaining area.

Take a look at the ideas below, the possibilities are endless and you might just find the inspiration you need for your next project.



Create exciting paths and patio areas by combining fixed tiles with loose laid patterns.



Create an interesting contrast by using the same collection in different colours for indoor & outdoor.



Stagger loose laid tiles next to a fixed patio area for a soft and natural feel, gradually blending the tiles into the landscape.



Mix sizes and textures together with different installation techniques to create a diverse structured space.



"Step up" your patio to the next level with carefully designed tiered spaces.



Treat your garden as an extension of your home. Create "rooms" and zones with a mixture of textures, colours and tile sizes.

INSTALLATION ADVICE

With the right materials and preparation, you can easily install your own Al Fresco tiles. Follow these simple steps to create your own seamless indoor & outdoor space!

HOW TO CUT OUTDOOR PORCELAIN TILES

Our outdoor 20mm tiles are super strong and cannot be cut using traditional hand tools. Here's a quick guide on how to cut your tiles to size.

1. In order to minimise breakage and spoiled cuts, we recommend using a water fed cutter with a diamond blade. This will also help to minimise dust.
2. Measure and mark a line where you would like to cut the tile.
3. Cut from the top surface with the blade running at half-revs. Bring the blade into contact with the tile.
4. As the blade bites the tile, increase the revs if necessary and progress along the marked line.
5. Ensure the blade is water fed throughout and remains evenly balanced.

HOW TO LAY SINGLE TILES

Create pathways and patterns by loose laying Al Fresco tiles on to grass or gravel.

1. Place the tiles on the ground in the desired pattern. Measure around the tile and mark the area with posts and string.
2. Remove the tile from the ground and dig down 150mm.
3. Compact the bottom and walls of the well and line with a water proof membrane.
4. Fill the well with gravel until it is 20mm from the top. This will allow for drainage.
5. Ensure the gravel is sturdy and level then place your tile on top.





HOW TO LAY A PATIO

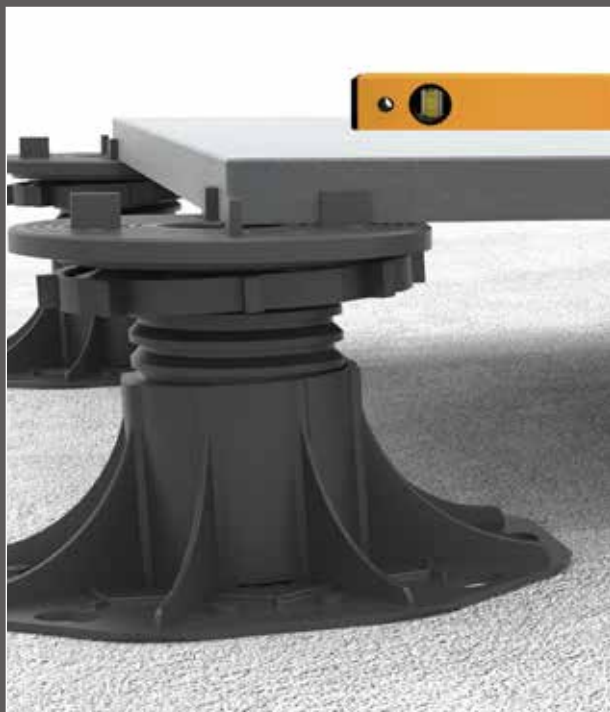
Al Fresco tiles are a great alternative to traditional stone, paving or decking. See our easy guide below for how to install a traditional patio.

1. Mark out the area with posts and string.
2. Measure the length and width and multiply these values together to calculate the square meterage and how many tiles you will need.
3. Dig down 150-200mm to allow for foundations. The ground should have a slight slope to allow for drainage. Fill with hardcore (gravel and crushed hard rock) to a depth of 100-150mm and use a rake to distribute the mixture. Compress the hardcore using a whacker power plate, building up in layers.
4. Add a layer of mortar on top of the compressed hardcore. We recommend 4 parts sand to 1 part cement.
5. Apply a layer of priming slurry on top of the mortar.
6. Coat the underside of the first tile with priming slurry.
7. Place the tile into position using a corner as a starting point, eg. next to a wall or house
8. Press into place and use a rubber mallet to secure and adjust the level.
9. Continue to lay tiles in this way leaving a 2-3mm joint gap. Use a bucket and sponge to clean up any mortar or slurry as you go.
10. Once complete, leave to dry for at least 24 hours. If wet weather is forecast, cover the area with a plastic sheet.
11. If you wish to infill any joint gaps, use the same mix of mortar as before and use a brush to mix over the joints, gradually and evenly filling them all in.
12. Once the joints are filled, use a pointing trowel to firm the mortar into place. Add more mortar mix if needed to create a clean and level area.
13. Alternatively, instead of mortar mix you can use kiln-dried sand. Spread the mix on the area and brush it into the joints. You may need to repeat this process a few days later once the sand has settled.

HOW TO CREATE A RAISED PATIO WITH PEDESTALS

Pedestals are a great way to create a patio without the need for lots of equipment. They also allow for drainage and you can hide cables and equipment underneath. As the tiles are not attached with adhesive, you can easily move them around if you change your mind. The pedestal system can be laid over any solid surface such as patios, concrete or balconies - If you don't already have a solid surface, you'll need to create one. See page 29 for the full range of pedestals and accessories.

1. Use a corner as a starting point, e.g. next to a wall or house, and place the first pedestal. Place three more pedestals in a grid layout at the same distance to the corners of your tile.
2. Use the edge disc near walls and edges so that the tile sits on top of the whole pedestal surface and flush to the wall.
3. Place the tile on top of the pedestals ensuring that the corners sit flush into the tabs where applicable.
4. For larger tiles, we recommend placing an additional pedestal without tabs in the centre of the tile for extra support.
5. Twist the pedestals to increase or decrease the height to create a level surface.
6. Continue to lay pedestals in a grid shape and adjusting the levels as you place each tile.
7. If you are not laying your tiles in a stack bond pattern (see page 22), place pedestals at even intervals, removing any tabs that are not needed.
8. If an area is slightly sloped, the pedestals will self-level. The angle is based on the gradient of the slope. You can adjust the level in the same way as before by twisting to increase or decrease the height.
9. Use the edge disc and the front support pieces together to hide any exposed edges of the patio area and to create a clean step front. Attach the edge disc and align the pedestal with the edge of the last tile.
10. Measure from the ground to the top of the pedestal fixing. Cut your tile to the correct height using the instructions on page 23 and place into the front support piece to create a clean step front.



HOW TO CUT INDOOR PORCELAIN TILES

Indoor spaces often pose many more obstacles than outdoor spaces. Here's a quick guide on how to cut indoor tiles to different shapes and sizes.

1. Measure where the tile needs to be cut.
2. If you have a manual tile cutter, place the tile in the cutter and square up to the plate.
3. Press down hard on the cutter and push forwards to score a line.
4. Some cutters will automatically snap the tile as you push down to score it. If your cutter doesn't, apply pressure to both sides of the tile to snap it into two pieces.
5. Use a file to smooth the edges if needed.
6. If you need to cut a curve or a shape, use tile nippers to nibble the tile away until you achieve the desired shape.
7. You can also use an electric cutter in a similar technique as described for our outdoor Al Fresco tiles.



HOW TO FIT TILES INDOORS

Al Fresco 10mm tiles are ideal for indoor floors and walls. Here's our easy guide to creating your own unique space.

1. Plan your layout and the starting point of the first tile. We recommend tiling from the centre of the floor or wall for an even finish.
2. Plan ahead to ensure you can easily exit the room once finished. As you fix your tiles, you should avoid knocking or stepping on them.
3. Mix the tile adhesive as per the manufacturer's instructions and begin to spread it evenly on the floor or wall around 1 square metre at a time. Use a notched trowel at a 45° angle ensuring the notches face the same direction.
4. Apply a thin layer of adhesive to the back of the tile then place onto the wall or floor adhesive – press and twist to secure. Use a spirit level to check it is straight and flat.
5. Continue to repeat steps 3 & 4. Space the tiles 2-3mm apart using tile spacers.
6. Clean any mess on the tiles and joints as you work using a sponge and clean water.
7. Allow the tiles to fully set – check the advice on the adhesive bag for setting times.
8. Mix water and grout powder in a bucket as per the manufacturer's instructions.
9. Hold a grout float at a 45° angle and apply the grout to all joints ensuring they are filled.
10. Allow the grout to dry for 10-15 minutes then wipe the tile surface with a damp sponge.
11. Leave the tiles for a further 60 minutes to allow the grout to harden. Use a grout profiler at a 45° angle and drag it along the joints to smooth the surface and remove any excess.
12. Use a clean cloth and polish the tiles until they are completely clean.

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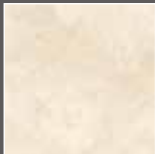
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SMALL PEDESTAL
CODE A10069
HEIGHT 42-48MM



MEDIUM PEDESTAL
CODE A10070
HEIGHT 60-85MM



LARGE PEDESTAL
CODE A10071
HEIGHT 112-140MM



EDGE DISC
CODE A10072



FRONT SUPPORT
CODE A10073



PEDESTAL TABS
2MM CODE A10074
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Barrington Grey 60 x 90 cm

GENERAL INFORMATION

DIMENSIONS, COLOUR & SHADING

Although we have made every effort to display the colours accurately, we cannot guarantee that this printed brochure directly reflects the colours of the actual product. As products can vary slightly from these images, we advise you to order a sample for true colour representation. Please note that tiles are created in batches and some shade variation may occur between batches. Products with the same colour name, such as "grey", are not necessarily the same exact colour shade as another product with "grey" in its name. Please do not order using colour names or product names as your guide to colour. We manufacture our tiles to extremely tight tolerances, however due to the nature of the manufacturing process, sizes, weights, capacities, dimensions and measurements indicated may vary slightly.

HEALTH AND SAFETY

Installing your own Al Fresco tiles is both rewarding and satisfying but you could be exposed to various risks if the correct safe methods of work as described in this booklet are not followed. Before you begin, be sure you have the appropriate protective equipment.

- Always wear gloves and safety footwear.
- Always wear goggles & respiratory protection when using cutting equipment.
- Handle your Al Fresco tiles with care to avoid breakages and chipping that may result from mishandling.
- Larger tiles may require assistance when lifting.

GOODS

We take care to ensure that all of our Goods leave us in perfect condition. All orders must be examined on delivery and any shortages, damages or other discrepancies should be brought to the supplier's attention before installation. Confirm that all products have been inspected and approved before installation begins, as the installation of the product signifies acceptance.

MAINTENANCE

To keep your tiles looking their best, sweep the area to clear away dust, dirt and debris. Fill a bucket with warm soapy water. Washing up liquid will work fine – do not use acid based or abrasive cleaning products. Wet a scrubbing brush with the soapy water and scrub the surface of the tiles until clean. Leave to dry naturally.

GUARANTEE

Al Fresco tiles have a 10 year structural guarantee. We warrant that the structural integrity of the product will not fail, under normal conditions, within a period of 10 years from date of purchase. Because specific installation details, structural design and environmental conditions are beyond the control of the Company, we cannot accept responsibility for the improper installation and/or care and maintenance of our products after they are installed. However, in the event of latent defects in the product caused by improper manufacturing, the Company will replace any defective product, provided the Company is notified in writing. The Company will also not be responsible if tiles are installed with a visible defect. The Company must pre-approve the cost of the replacement, in writing, prior to commencement of any warranty work.

SLIP RESISTANCE

R Ratings are determined via testing in accordance with DIN 51130:2004, which is the **"Testing of floor coverings; determination of the anti-slip properties; workrooms and fields of activities with slip danger; walking method; ramp test German National standard 2004"**. This is fully recognised and adopted in the UK. The "R" values range from R9, which has a small degree of slip resistance, up to R13 which is the highest slip resistance. R9 & R10 ratings are suitable for indoor domestic areas, whereas R11 ratings and above are also suitable for external applications.



Claremont Grey 60x60cm



Emmett Black 60 x 60cm

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As variations in colour, shading and texture may occur between different batches of tiles, we recommend you purchase sufficient tiles in one go to complete a project. Please ensure a satisfactory blend of shades can be achieved BEFORE fixing as claims relating to variations that were apparent before fixing will not be accepted once the tiles have been installed.

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