

STRIPS SERIES

INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS

Recommended Mortar:

Chembond® MagniFlex™ Super 8820 or Mapei® Ultraflex™ RS

* For Lavastone series & Silver Fox series, you must use Mapei® Ultraflex™ RS

Recommended Sealer (only when required):

DuPont™ StoneTech® Professional Maximum BulletProof® Sealer for a natural finish or

DuPont™ StoneTech® Rich Colour Enhancer Pro™ for an enhanced colour finish (not recommended for lavastone)

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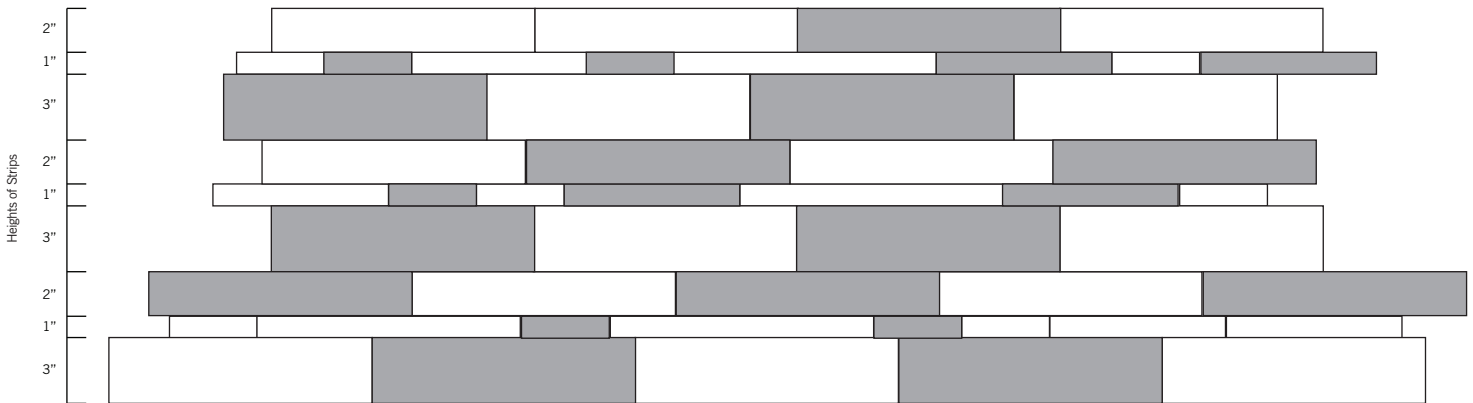
Silver Fox Strips SF-RP & Lavastone Strips BH-RP must be installed using Mapei Ultraflex RS to avoid staining. Coral White Strips CW-RP must be installed using a white mortar to avoid staining.

- Step 1.** Ensure all surfaces to be faced are clean and free of all loose material and dust. Surfaces to be faced must be structurally sound and comply with local building codes. Apply starter strips where required and ensure all starter strips are installed perfectly level.
- Step 2.** Apply the mortar to the substrate using a minimum 3/8" notched trowel, or alternatively apply the mortar to the back of each piece of stone using a flat hand trowel. Place the stone in place and ensure proper adhesion is achieved by pressing firmly on the face of the stone. Our strips series are designed to be installed without grout joints and with a 3D effect. Stones of different thicknesses should therefore be placed randomly on the wall but heights must vary accordingly. When installing, ensure all mortar is removed from the edges of the stone prior to installing the adjacent pieces. This will ensure that all adjacent pieces are installed as tight as possible and thus eliminating unsightly gaps.
- Step 3.** Where needed, individual pieces should be cut with a wet saw to ensure accurate and clean cuts. Never mark the surface of the stone with a permanent marker as this will be absorbed by the stone and cannot be removed.
- Step 4.** During the installation and after the installation is completed, wipe the surface clean with clean water only, ensuring to remove all mortar and dust from the surface.
- Step 5.** Prevent any vibration or hammering of the wall for a period no less than 24 hours after the stone has been applied.
- Step 6.** ErthCOVERINGS® recommends the use of sealer on all applications susceptible to staining to protect the stone and allow for easy cleaning (especially in high traffic areas). A test sample may be required to determine the desired look.

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Strips Layout Using One Box Quantity - 49 pieces (appx. 6.5 sq.ft)



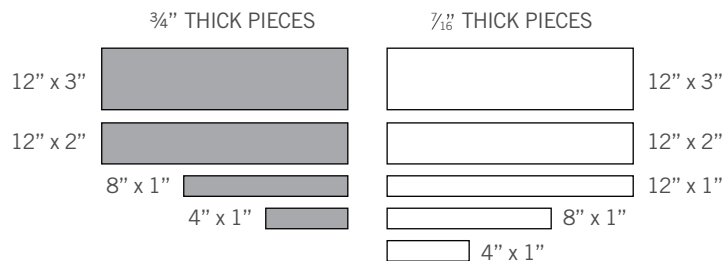
The vertical layout of strips in each row shows this pattern: 3", 1", 2", 3", 1", 2" .. etc.

It is best to keep all vertical rows with the same height of stones.

The horizontal layout of this product in length and thickness will always be RANDOMIZED.

It is therefore up to the installer's creative discretion to determine the most aesthetically pleasing design.

Strips Pieces



A selection of natural stone mortars, sealers and cleaners are available at ErthCOVERINGS®. These installation instructions are intended as a guide only. Do not install the pieces exactly as shown. For further assistance, please contact ErthCOVERINGS at **1 866 657 6606** (Toronto).