

Grasscloth / Raw Silk / Paper Weave Installation

Installation is easy! This wallpaper can be installed permanently by a professional installer or, if you prefer, you can install your wallpaper by yourself. If you're opting to install your wallpaper yourself, here's how you can do it:

What you will need

- Ladder
- Level with a straight edge
- Pencil
- Scissors
- Wallcovering brush or plastic scraper
- Drywall taping knife
- Seam roller
- Utility blade
- GARDZ (recommended) or similar primer
- Clear professional grade adhesive
- Pasting machine (recommended)
- Helper (high recommended!)

Wallpaper Instructions

1. Prepping Your Surface(s)- All hanging surfaces must be clean, smooth, dry, undamaged, and free of mold, mildew, grease or stains. All loose paint and other wallcoverings should be removed.
2. Prepare wall with GARDZ or similar primer. Allow primer to dry fully before continuing.
3. Use a premixed clear professional grade adhesive. Roll adhesive to the wall or to back of panel by hand, or use a pasting machine. Do not allow excess paste to get on the front of the material. Removing it without damaging the material is very difficult and best if avoided all together. This material is very dimensionally stable and booking is not recommended.
4. Measure wall and panel width to determine the edge of the first panel. Use a level to ensure plum. Place panel on the wall starting from the top.
5. Using broad smooth strokes work excess paste and trapped air from center out left and right, up and down until panel is smooth. Avoid brushing the face of the material. Use a wallcovering brush or plastic scraper to gently smooth the wallcovering onto the wall.
6. Repeat process with consecutive panels. Butt edges tightly at the pattern match without overlapping. Cut ceiling and floor cuts before moving onto the next panel.
7. If adhesive gets on the face of the material remove it immediately. Wash off any paste from face of wallcovering as you hang it with a soft lint free cloth, clean warm water and a blotting action. Blot dry with a clean dry cloth. No scrubbing, abrasive or solvent cleaners should ever be used with this material. Use seam roller to make sure all seams are well bonded.
8. After three panels are smoothed to wall surface and excess paste removed, examine the installed panels for color uniformity. Any objectionable variations in color match, pattern match, etc... should be immediately communicated to the printer for inspection before proceeding further with installation.
9. When installing material around an outside corner either create additional seam or use extra paste to ensure a firm bond when folding Metallic Grasscloth. This material is stiff and resists folding in general.

10. After installation is complete, minor blisters like small bubbles may be present. Please allow 7 days for adhesive to fully cure. As wallpaper cures it will tighten like a drum and pull taught any minor blisters. Do not try to press them down with your finger. The wall and wallcovering should be monitored for potential moisture or vapor infiltration or accumulation. Any such infiltration/accumulation after installation must be promptly eliminated in order to reduce the risk of mold/mildew.

Protips:

It's easiest to make accurate cuts with sharp scissors and brand-new utility blades. When using a utility blade against a wall, you won't need much pressure at all. Using too much pressure can easily gauge the wall.

Also, make sure that you're using a level to plan your sections. Wallpaper can quickly turn askew if you don't start right and maintain precision across the entirety of your walls.

An assistant can be a major help. You'll save time, be more accurate, and you'll have someone to talk/argue with. When placing a sheet on the wall, one person should be on the ladder, while the other person aligns the lower segment of the wallpaper.

Use slow smooth motions when brushing the wallpaper against the wall. Otherwise, you can create folds, or you might shift the wallpaper as you're trying to adhere it. If you get a bubble behind your wallpaper, don't panic. You should be able to "iron out" those pesky bubbles by gently brushing a bubble towards the edge of its wallpaper section.

You can use painter's tape to keep adhesive from landing where you don't want it. Place painter's tape on the edges around your home, and use it to cover light switches and outlets (again, make sure the power is off).