

## USING FLOOR TILES & FLOOR BLOCKS

### LAYING YOUR FLOOR

Before sticking any of your tiles down lay them out loose on your floor to ensure they fit nicely and you are happy with the layout of your tiles, this is particularly important if you are laying a pattern, as you want to make sure your pattern sits nice and central in your floor.

By laying them loose first you can also decide where you want the cut tiles to be (as you will almost always need to trim tiles to neatly fit your room), if you wish the cut tiles to be at the back of your room you would lay full tiles along the front edge of your floor first.

With Floor Blocks and 2/3" Floor Tiles you will want to leave approximately 0.5mm - 1mm gaps between each tile when laying out to allow for grouting in.

If you are laying a patterned floor or using the 1/3" Victorian Tiles then you may want much thinner gaps or to even lay the tiles flush together.

We do not recommend the use of spacers as this can prove very frustrating for it is easy to knock the previously laid tiles out of position. Either work by eye or to previously marked guide lines.

Your flooring/paving can be cut using a Metal Ruler and a Craft Knife. Mark the cutting line (sealed surface uppermost), lay on a flat surface, score along the line with the craft knife and then snap over a straight edge. If a very small amount needs to be removed, this can be accomplished either by rubbing carefully on medium/fine grade sandpaper or cutting right through with the craft knife. Any jagged edges can also be removed with fine grade sandpaper.

We do ready cut Triangles in 1/3" & 2/3" Tiles to save on cutting when laying your floor.

Lay all cut pieces into position without glueing until you are satisfied that they are all cut to the correct shape and will provide a neat finish before sticking to your floor.

Allow the glue to dry thoroughly before sealing & grouting your floor.

### SEALING & GROUTING

Mix up a 50/50 mix of our PVA Adhesive and Water and brush over all the surface of your floor tiles to seal, then allow to dry completely.

Once dry, mix up our Mortar/Grout mix as per the instructions on the packet, wipe this into the joints with a cloth, sponge or clean paint brush, taking care to fill all joints. Immediately using cold water wipe off the excess grout with a damp sponge, rinsing your sponge regularly until all surplus grout has been removed. (Only ever Grout an area of approximately 25 square Inches (5" x 5" or 13cm x 13cm) at a time before cleaning to avoid Grout drying on your Tiles). Once tiles appear completely clean, clean one more time to ensure all grout has been removed from the surface of your tiles and then leave to dry. Do not be concerned if your flooring has a white 'bloom' at this stage as this will disappear quickly as the floor dries.

## FLOOR TILES

**1/3" Victorian Porch Tiles** are available In Cream, Charcoal, Light Grey, Dark Red (Quarry) and Brown and **Triangles** in all the colours. We also offer a **Patterned pack** that has a mixture of all these colours and even comes with the Grout, you just need to add PVA to be able to make an amazing floor.

**2/3" Tiles** are available in Dark Red (Quarry), Cream, Charcoal, Light Grey, Brown, Rustic Red and Natural and **Triangles** in all the colours (apart from Natural). We also offer a **Patterned pack** in this size too that has a mixture of tiles and which includes a pattern and the grout.

Both 1/3" & 2/3" tiles can be used together to make some beautiful detailed floors.

They are suitable for all floor types, kitchens, halls, porches, balconies hearths etc. The tiles are easy to lay, for cutting and fixing see instructions above.

## FLOOR BLOCKS

Available in Gault (Cream), Red and Terracotta.

Use for old style flooring in kitchens, sculleries etc. Each block is 1" square and approx 2mm thick.

They are easy to lay, for cutting and fixing instructions see above.

## VINYL TILES

**Vinyl Floor Tiles** are available in 2 different types. They are a high-quality vinyl on a thick card backing

**1" Marble-esque tiles** are a Marbled Vinyl finish that simulate Marble & come in a choice of 8 colours

**3/4" Vinyl tiles** are a Matt Vinyl finish and come in a choice of 10 colours

All our Vinyl Tiles can be stuck in place with any Tacky Glue. They are easy to cut to size using scissors or a ruler and a craft knife. Ideal for bathrooms or kitchens, hallways etc..

## OTHER FLOORING PRODUCTS

We also offer a large range of Real Stone Flooring, including Flagstones, Cobble Stones, Kerbstones, Crazy Paving, Real Slate Flagstones, also a luxury flooring range which includes 1" Tiles in Real Slate, Limestone, Marble, Granite, and 1" & 3/4" Ceramic Tiles. For more information on any of our Product Range, telephone us at the number below or visit our website at [www.miniaturebricks.com](http://www.miniaturebricks.com)

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