

DIY Tips & Tricks

How to tile your floor

BEFORE TILING:

1. Make sure you sweep your floors prior to tiling
2. Prime the walls & floors with Ardex "Multi Prime" and silicone joints where the walls and floors meet



BEGIN TILING:

1. Measure out your floor plan (we recommend to begin walls before floors)
2. We suggest measuring your doorway first, because this will ensure even cuts going down your passage way
3. Use a 10mm – 15mm trowel for your floors
We recommend tiles under 500mm to use a 10mm trowel. For 600x600mm tiles we recommend using 15mm trowel. Speak to one of our trades assistants to work out what is most suitable for your tiles
4. Mix Ardex "Bondmastic" with water to the required measurement (on the back of the bag)
5. Let the Bondmastic sit for approximately 5 minutes
6. Remix the glue so the product can begin reacting
7. Use ralmondi clips (while tiling) to give a nice flat finish
8. Any excess glue coming through the tiles must be washed with a brush and sponge
9. Once the above steps is completed, you can then begin siliconing and grouting after 12 hours



GROUT & SILICONE FINISHING PRODUCT:

1. Grout all the tiles on the wall and floor (but do not grout the corners where the walls & floors meet – this is done with silicone)
2. Wash off with damp sponge to remove excess grout off the tiles
3. Cut Ardex silicone at a 45 degree angle and squeeze silicone out slowly into the joint of the walls & floor
4. Once complete, use Ardex "SG SPRAY" and spray onto the silicone and use a silicone adapter to give you a smooth finish
5. Grout will leave a residue so polish it off with a rag once it is dry



TIPS:

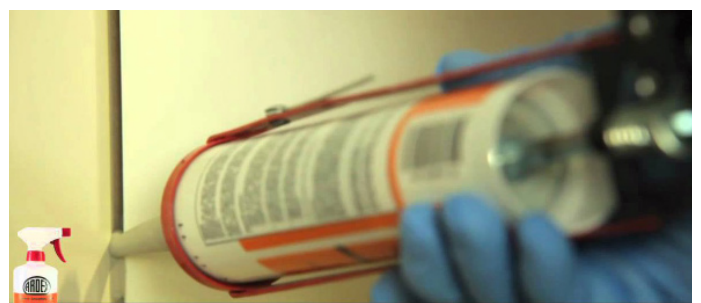
- When finish cleaning the silicone off, put a bit of smooth fix on your finger and run slowly off the silicone – this helps to give a smoother finish
- If there is a laundry adjacent to the bathroom (on the same wall) this wall will also need to be waterproofed to prevent water leaking through

FOLLOW OUR STEP BY STEP VIDEO

https://youtu.be/gBipT0BM_dl

FLOOR TILING VIDEO-

<https://youtu.be/pe6WU-4AwPw>



PRIMING



Ardex "Multi Prime"

ADHESIVES



Ardex "Bondmastic"

GROUT & TILE BRUSH



Brush

TROWELS



10-15mm Trowel

SPONGE



Sponge

SILICONE



Ardex "SE Silicone"

SILICONE SMOOTHING AGENT



Ardex "SG Spray"

CLIPS



Raimondi Clips