

# ISLAND TIMBER RECLAIMED WOOD TILE INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS

## **Easy Installation**

Lightweight and precision cut, Island Timber wood panels and cladding can be used on virtually any clean, flat, and sealed vertical or non-weight bearing interior surface.

Installation is easy and can be done using common tools and materials that can be found at any local hardware store. Below are installation guidelines for all Island Timber materials as well as specific layout guidelines for the different products. We recommend printing out and having guidelines on hand when installing material.

#### Installation Overview

All Island Timber products are designed to be permanently applied to a wall or ceiling. We recommend using an adhesive along with nails to adhere. Using an adhesive is easy and can be used on any properly prepared substrate.

**Recommended Adhesives:** Urethane Adhesives for Wood Floors. (**Note:** Island Timber usage is interior walls & ceiling only)

#### **Readily Available Brands:**

Large Areas (Trowel): Sikabond - T21, Bostik Multigrip Small Areas (Caulking gun): Bostik HDCA

### **Recommended Tools for Installation**

- Recommended Adhesive
- 3/16" Notched Trowel
- Sponge (Cleanup)
- Level
- Chalk Line (Optional)
- Cloths (protecting floor and cleaning)
- Mitre Saw/Chop Saw (Material is thin and easy to cut, use of an electrical saw should only be used by a knowledgeable professional.)
- Pin Nailer or small nails and hammer (Optional)

### **Installation Instructions**

#### **Pre-Installation Preparation**

- 1. Measure the length and width of your wall for the estimated square footage of material required. We recommend ordering 10% more than your measurement suggests to cover cut pieces you may not be able to reuse during installation.
- 2. Make sure the installer understands the blending requirements given the natural variation in color, size and texture of reclaimed teak. For this reason, all tiles should be unpacked, inspected and blended prior to installation.
- 3. For the best installation, it is recommended to open several boxes and blend the panels or cladding thoroughly before installing. Dry setting allows for blending the panels or cladding easily by laying out on a flat surface and mixing tiles as needed to create desired blend of colors and/or hue. Blending is important! Especially with painted materials to ensure final installation has consistent variation.
- 4. For individual tile and plank options, refer to Island Stone "layout guide."
- 5. Application surface must be waterproof (drywall should be painted/sealed), structurally sound, clean, dry, smooth, free of voids, projections, loose materials, oil, grease, sealers and other surface contaminants that could interfere with a good adhesive bond. Skim extremely rough wall surfaces as needed.
- 6. Determine starting location of installation.
- 7. Many walls may not have perfectly perpendicular top and bottom or left and right edges. In such cases, the Island Timber planks and claddings may require additional trimming to meet the finishing edge.
- 8. Consider where you want to trim the installation. If you start at the top, you will trim the bottom edge of the installation; if you start at the bottom, you will trim the top edge; and if you start in the middle, you will trim on both finishing edges.



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# Installation Instructions (cont.)

#### Installation

These instructions are written for an installation where Island Timber is running horizontally (top to bottom or vice versa). If installing vertically, adjust the instructions below to reflect installation left to right (or vice versa).

- 1. Determine the starting height of the installation. Using a level and/or a chalk line, create a level guide along the wall at this height. (If using floor or ceiling to start, check to ensure a level edge).
- 2. With a 3/16" notched trowel, apply the adhesive above the chalk line with flat side of the trowel. Run the notched edge of the trowel across the adhesive to create the ridges 1/4" deep. Take care to place only enough adhesive to allow sufficient time to set the wood while the adhesive is still wet. Do not set wood into adhesive that has a dry skin. The "open time" of the adhesive will vary according to the temperature and humidity level the higher the temperature and humidity, the shorter the open time. Excessive amounts of adhesive may cause wood panels to slide while placing. Always check coverage during installation.

- 3. Place initial tile with bottom edge flush with level guide, pressing firmly into adhesive. Use pin nailer to secure tile into place so it will not sag while adhesive dries.
- 4. Interlock consecutive tiles into place on wall, pressing each piece firmly against adhesive surface while also pushing against adjoining tile to minimize any gaps. Nail in place as needed
- 5. Repeat Steps 2 4 across the installation surface, making sure each piece stays flush with the level guide.
- 6. Place consecutive row (either above or below) offset from the preceding row according to pattern selected.
- 7. Repeat Steps 4 5 for all consecutive rows until no additional full tiles can be placed on wall.
- 8. To finish the top or bottom edge, measure the distance between the ceiling or floor and your last complete row. Cut tiles to this width. If your edges are not straight, you will have to custom cut pieces to fit. Adhere cut tiles following Steps 4 5.
- 9. To finish the sides, measure the distance between the edge of the wall and the last full panel or cladding. Cut individual tiles to fit and adhere following Steps 4-5.