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EQUIPMENT

- Magnetic Paint
- Roller/brush
- Paint tray
- Masking Tape
- Laser Level
- Jointing Strips
- Magnetic Leather Panels
- Waterbased Primer (if necessary)
- Gloves (if necessary)
- Straight Edge 18.5mm & 16mm
- Tape Measure

PREPARATION

Evaluate the substrate: Before processing, check to ensure that the substrate is suitable for the intended application. The substrate must be dry, stable, dust-free, clean, and smooth. Prepare Walls: For new surfaces, if necessary, use a waterbased primer first to ensure good adhesion.

Applying the magnetic paint: Apply 4 coats of paint, to the area of choice, using 1 litre for every 2 square metres, this will ensure there is enough iron on the wall for the magnets to adhere. The magnetic paint can be painted over once each coat is dry, you will then need to allow the layers to dry thoroughly for at least 12 hours before you start to apply the leather tiles - Ensure there is good ventilation during painting and drying.

APPLICATION

Use the longer 18.5mm guide strip provided as a margin guide, and place vertically where you would like to start your wall. Place your shorter 18.5mm guide strip horizontally, flush to the top of your vertical strip, this will form your top corner. We recommend you use a laser level to get all levels correct and to ensure your straight edge is level top to bottom with adequate spacing along the complete wall.

Take your first leather tile, keeping it rolled, and place the top of the leather flush against your horizontal and vertical guides. Press the magnetic backer against the wall and roll the leather tile out slowly keeping the leather tight to the straight edge. Once the leather is completely unrolled and adhered to the wall lightly press over all areas to ensure there are no air bubbles.

Continue this process, working in a vertical sequence, you can use your 16mm guide horizontally to ensure your margins are equal. Remove the strip once the leather is in place and reuse for further margins. Once you have secured your first row of leather tiles apply your 16mm guide strip flush vertically, this will give you the correct margin to start your next vertical sequence. Once the leather tiles are securely in place, remove your guide strip and insert your finished vertical strip, followed by your smaller finished horizontal strips - these are also magnetised and will fit between your 16mm margin. The overhang of the strip should cover any gaps, if there are still visible gaps check that your margin is no bigger than 16mm. Continue this until your wall area is covered.

To finish, apply the finished outer strips to the outside edge of your leather wall, ensure the recessed edge of the strip is pushed flush against the side of the leather.

Note: Due to wall tolerances/sizing, the leather panels may need to be trimmed. To do this use a straight edge and a blade knife, please note you will need to press down firmly ensuring you cut both the leather and the magnetic backer together, it is therefore advised you do this on a cutting board.

