

Peel & Stick

Hanging & Cleaning Instructions

Important!

We recommend using a professional installer if you are not handy, patient or good at measuring! For a professional paper hanger in your area, please consult the Wallpaper Installers Association (WIA) at WallCoveringInstallers.org.

Must-have Tools

You definitely want to have these tools on hand: painter's tape, pencil, level, scissors, snap blade knife (such as a small Olfa knife), fresh blades, felt cloth and a wallpaper smoothing tool (which helps to flatten out air bubbles as you apply). Use a felt cloth on top of your smoother to prevent scratching the material.

Surface Preparation

Walls should be clean, dry, and even in texture. Scrape off excess bumps and remove any old wallpaper or loose paint. There should be no mold, grease, or dirt present. Remove outlet or cable plates on the walls with a screwdriver. If your design is white, the walls should be white as well.

1. Inspect

Inspect the material to be hung for imperfections. Examining the paper before hanging is the buyer's responsibility. If any errors in the aforementioned are found, we ask that you submit



the claim for review within two weeks of having received the wallpaper. Once cut, no claims for return may be made.

2. Layout & Trim

Line up your panels on the floor to see the repeat. This pattern will overlap and match.

Note: Always work from top to bottom. Match your paper at eye level for best results.

Trim off excess white paper on sides of paper. Snap your blade often.

3. Ensure Alignment on Wall Before Removing Backing

Adhesive wallpaper feels like a sticker on the back, so once you start to take off the backing it will stick to anything it touches. Have your first panel lined up and ready to go before peeling back the backing. Leave two inches excess on top for walls that aren't perfectly straight (it is hard to find walls that are!) and leave overhang on the baseboards to trim off last.

With a pencil, make a level line on the wall on the right side all the way down. One can hold the paper while the other checks to make sure it is straight against the lines as you go down the wall. The pencil line will keep you on track even if it doesn't end up perfect.

Note: Getting that first wall panel down well will make the rest much easier. If the first panel is misaligned, the rest will be that much more challenging to apply.

4. Overlap Paper & Find Match

Use painter's tape to secure alignment. It takes two pairs of hands to get it set up and ready for peel back and application. **Align it as best you can and stick it like you mean it!**

5. Smooth

Use a felt covered smoothing tool to press and smooth every section as you work your way downwards. Peel back paper on the back of the sheet a foot at a time, and continue to work out bubbles towards one side. This will significantly decrease the chances of wrinkles and problems with alignment.

6. Overlap or Splice

Paper can remain overlapped. If preferred, you can **splice the paper** by double cutting down the center of the overlapped sides (note that this

may lead to gapping over time due to changes in temperature and humidity in your home).

Use an X-Acto knife with a fresh snap blade and scissors to trim the outlet areas on the wall as you go. If you apply wallpaper over it and continue, it can create unnecessary bubbles.

7. Trim Excess

After all panels are applied, use an X-Acto knife to trim the top and bottom excess.

Cleaning

In general, clean the surface using a microfiber cloth. Merenda Wallpapers are spot washable by gently using warm water and dabbing dry. Do not rub excessively or scrub, as this can cause burnishing or removal of color.

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