

# THE MOSAIC FACTORY

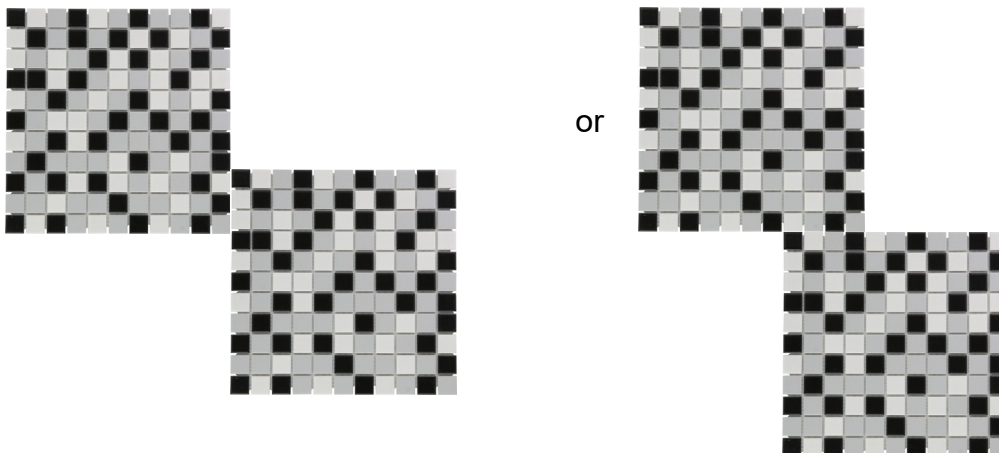
## How to install mosaic, our tips:

1. Make sure that the surface is completely flat, clean and dry.
2. Choose the right adhesive depending on the substrate and application. Look for this on the website of the respective manufacturer.
3. Are you going to work with glass mosaic? Then ensure a clean white background and work exclusively with white glue. This prevents the mosaic from coloring differently than you expect.



4. Apply the adhesive with a glue comb. Preferably with a trowel with as small toothing as possible. Start in the middle of the area and work from there to the outside. Apply enough, but not too much glue. Divide the glue with a circular motion. Make sure the mosaic is on before the glue hardens.

5. Stick the first sheet straight and in the middle of the surface to be processed. Press all tiles with a trowel so that they are all in contact with the glue. When the glue comes out of the joints, you have used too much glue. Remove the excess glue, otherwise you will not be able to do this later.
6. Stick the next sheet on +/- 1/3 of the first sheet. Next to or below it. That does not matter. The idea is that the different sheets have to be staggered.



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7. Eventually you reach the edges of the area. This often means that you have to cut the mosaic here to size (glass) or cut / grind (ceramics).



Cutting ceramic



Saw ceramic

8. When the surface (wall or floor) is completely finished and the adhesive is well cured, you can start with grouting. Choose a grout that is suitable for the application and for a color that fits well with the mosaic.

## Remarks:

- a) Do not use a white joint for the floor
- b) Use a fully closable joint in a wetarea (shower) or backsplash in a kitchen
- c) Always make a joint with a mixer and not with a trowel. This ensures that you use less water and the joint gets the right color when it dries.

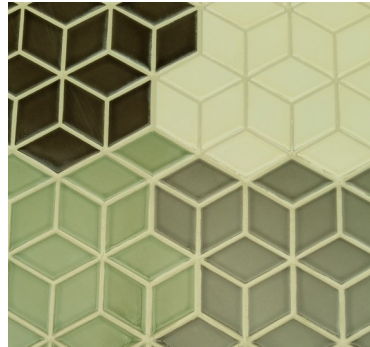
9. Prepare the grout according to the instructions on the packaging and distribute it over the surface. Use a chip for this (see photo).



10. Check that all joints are well provided with grout. Make sure there are no more air bubbles or openings.

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11. When the joint is well dried, you can start brushing. Use a sponge and plenty of (clean) water.



12. When you have often sponged the surface with clean water, you will see the end result on the right. Should it be that there is still a haze or veil, then we still have the following tips:
- If an Epoxy joint or 2 component joint has been used, you can remove the final veil with spirit.
  - If cement is left behind in the glass mosaic pits and the joints are not even, use a cement remover. Do not wait too long!