

# MAGNETIC WALLPAPER

MANUAL

## THE RIGHT UNDERGROUND/ PREPARATION

### Which underground?

**Groovy Magnets wallpaper adheres to almost any smooth indoor surface**

such as: smooth painted walls and doors, metal, wood, glass, cardboard, paper, plastic, kitchen cabinets,...

### Smooth & clean

If necessary, **smooth and sand down any bumps** (unevenness in the wall can remain visible through the wallpaper).

Any surface should be **degreased, dust-free and dry**: Clean well with lukewarm water and cleaning vinegar. Rinse and allow to dry thoroughly before you start wallpapering.

### Painted walls / doors

Painted walls and doors are suitable undergrounds for installing magnetic wallpaper. **Allow a freshly painted**

**underground to dry for at least two weeks before applying the wallpaper** to get the moisture out of the surface.

Painted surfaces based on acrylic or coated paint should be lightly sanded and cleaned. Finish-sand before start pasting the surface for better grip.

### Stucco & untreated wood

For strongly absorbent surfaces such as plaster or untreated wood, **pre-gluing** is recommended (for method, see: *pre-gluing*). **Freshly plastered walls must be 100% dry.**

### Wooden panel

**For a stylish non-permanent alternative you can also wallpaper a wooden panel.**

Attach the panel to the wall with corner screws. Remember to glue the back of an untreated panel (such as MDF) as well to prevent it from

warping. Water-resistant MDF (green), has no risk of warping so gluing the backside is not necessary here.

### Pre-gluing?

If you aren't sure whether your surface is absorbent or not, **test by spraying water to the surface with a plant sprayer**. In case colour change appears within 3 mins: pre-gluing is necessary.

### Pre-gluing method:

*Dilute the glue with a little water and spread 1 layer of the mixture on the surface with a glue roller. When the surface feels dry (after about 15 min), start gluing in for wallpapering.*

## APPLICATION

**Always start wallpapering on a flat, degreased, dust-free & dry surface.**

### Determine position

Think outside the box: a wallpaper panel can be hung **both horizontally and vertically**. Draw a perpendicular line on the surface where the wallpaper will be applied. A plumb bob or a spirit level can be helpful here.

**TIP multiple strokes:** *before applying multiple wallpaper strokes of black wallpaper: paint a black line on the wall where 2 strokes will meet -> no gap will be visible in case the strokes don't fit perfectly!*

### The right glue & amount

Because magnetic wallpaper is heavier than regular wallpaper, it is very important to use the right adhesive. **Use ready-to-use wall glue for vinyl wallpaper.** One 750g pot will be sufficient for one strip of magnetic wallpaper measuring 102x265cm.

**! Do not use self-dissolving wallpaper paste based on powder.**

### Gluing the underground

- First check whether pre-gluing is required (see chapter: Pre-gluing).
- Mark the width of the strip on the wall so that you know up to where you have to apply the glue.
- **Spread the glue directly onto the surface with a glue roller.** Glue one strip at a time. Use enough glue where the edges of the wallpaper will be. Did you spill? No panic. You can remove spilled glue with a damp cloth and some washing-up liquid (do it immediately).

### Applying the wallpaper

Ask for a helping hand to hold the wallpaper roll in place or fix the wallpaper at the top with a piece of strong tape to keep it in place. It is recommended to start wallpapering from the top and roll off.

### Remove bubbles

Press the wallpaper firmly with a soft pressure roller / soft cloth towards the edges to remove any air bubbles.

### Trim

Cut to size at top or bottom using a ruler and a sharp cutter knife.

### Before you start using the wallpaper

After application, allow the wallpaper to **dry for at least 24 hrs before sticking magnets up on the wall.**

### Removing the wallpaper

Due to the waterproof structure of magnetic wallpaper, it is not possible to soak it off. However, it is possible to remove the wallpaper from the wall: **Start pulling down from a corner and slowly pull downwards.** Any remaining textile backing can be removed by moistening it with a plant sprayer filled with lukewarm water. Remove with a putty knife.

## CARE & USAGE

### Cleaning the wallpaper

All our wallpapers are water-resistant. **Clean with a damp cloth and a drop of washing-up liquid.** Remove stubborn streaks with a **wonder sponge** (melamine sponge) + a drop cleaning vinegar and washing-up liquid.

### Writable wallpaper

Consult the product pages on our website for the right use of writing material suitable for your type of wallpaper.

### Paintable wallpaper

This wallpaper is paintable with all types of wallpaint. The magnetic effect remains even after 2 layers of paint.

