

Instruction Guide 10

TERRACOTTA (SYNTHETIC METHOD)

Hand or machine made low fired clay tiles.

Terracotta has been used on floors and walls for centuries. As with all natural materials, it does require a certain level of care. The following instructions are a guide to help ensure that your tiles will remain protected and easy to clean for many years.

THE 3 STEP INSTRUCTION OVERVIEW (see page 2 for more information)

1

LTP Mattstone H20

Coverage 1 litre/15m²

LTP Grout Stain Remover

Coverage 1 litre/25m²



INITIAL SEAL AND CLEANING OF NEWLY INSTALLED SURFACES (used surfaces see page 2).

LTP MATTSTONE H20: Helps prevent staining from cement and grout residues.

LTP GROUT STAIN REMOVER: Cleans and removes cement and grout residues.



Apply LTP Mattstone H20 until fully saturated.



After 1 hour drying time grout the joints.



When thoroughly dry remove any remaining grout residues with LTP Grout Stain Remover.



Rinse thoroughly and allow to dry.

EQUIPMENT: Brushes, paint brush, sponge, grout float, abrasive nylon pad.

2

LTP Ironwax Satin or LTP Ironwax Gloss

Coverage 1 litre/10m²



PROTECT AGAINST STAINS (for renovation of older used surfaces see page 2).

LTP IRONWAX GLOSS or LTP IRONWAX SATIN: Help to protect against water, oil, grease, dirt, grime and aid maintenance.



Surfaces must be clean and dry. Under floor heating must be off.



Apply 2-3 coats to the surface using a sponge, damp cloth or paint brush.



Allow to dry. Do not walk on the surface for at least 3 hours.



Protect from water for 24 hours and do not wash surfaces for at least 3 days.

EQUIPMENT: Soft cloth, soft brush, paint brush or paint pad.

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LTP Floorshine



REGULAR MAINTENANCE (for more information see page 2).

LTP FLOORSHINE: Maintains surfaces sealed with LTP Ironwax Satin or Gloss.



Add one capful of product per litre of water in a bucket.



Wash surface with the solution. Do not rinse.



Allow to dry. Do not walk on the surface during drying time – 20 minutes.

A one litre LTP Floorshine will wash a 20 sq.m floor 40 times.

EQUIPMENT: Bucket, mop.

Always read the product label before proceeding.

NEWLY INSTALLED SURFACES

AFTER GROUTING: Residual grout will sometimes remain on the surface of the tiles. For best results use LTP Grout Stain Remover to wash the surface before finishing.

1 CLEANING AND REFURBISHING – Used and heavily soiled surfaces

- Before sealing the surface must be thoroughly cleaned. Old layers of sealer, residues from aftercare products and deposits must be removed from the surface and pores of the tiles.
- Firstly remove any old layers of wax with LTP Solvex. The apply the solution undiluted to the face of the tile and spread around evenly with a paint brush or soft cloth. Leave for 5-10 minutes and then rub with a cloth to remove the old layers of wax. Do not allow the solution to dry on the surface.
- Remove any remaining residues with LTP Grimex. Dilute 1:5 with water and apply to the surface with a sponge or cloth.
- Agitate the surface with a nylon pad or scrubbing brush and leave for 5 minutes (scrubber machines can be used).
- Continue to scrub while adding clean water. Remove residues from the surface using a cloth or scrubber dryer machine.
- Rinse thoroughly with clean fresh water to remove all remaining residues.
- Allow the surface to dry for a minimum of 24 hours before applying the protective seal.
- For the removal of other types of dirt refer to the table below.
- If you are unsure please call our helpline for advice.

OTHER TYPES OF DIRT

Care product residues, oil, grease and dirt	LTP Grimex or LTP Power Stripper
Wax and acrylic layers, tar, paint, bitumen residues	LTP Solvex and then LTP Grimex
Deeply engrained oil and grease stains	LTP Spot Stain Remover and LTP Fullers Earth

2 PROTECTIVE SEAL TREATMENTS

- LTP Ironwax Gloss or LTP Ironwax Satin will render the surface water and oil repellent.
- These products prevent staining, aid cleaning and simplify the removal of surface stains.
- LTP Mattstone H20 will slightly deepen the colour.
- LTP Ironwax Gloss or LTP Ironwax Satin will provide a transparent hard wearing gloss or satin sheen.
- There are no health concerns once these products have properly cured.
- For older surfaces that have no damp proof course use only LTP Mattstone H20, LTP Mattstone or LTP Colour Intensifier & Stainblock. They are micro porous and will allow the tiles to breathe.
- LTP Mattstone H20, LTP Mattstone or LTP Colour Intensifier & Stainblock are suitable for internal and external use. LTP Ironwax Gloss or Satin are for internal use only.
- If surfaces are properly maintained we recommend touching up the protective treatment every 3-4 years.

NB. Always test the product on an inconspicuous area. Wet or non absorbent surfaces cannot be treated. LTP Mattstone H20, LTP Mattstone or LTP Colour Intensifier & Stainblock are impregnating sealers that need to fully absorb. Do not allow them to dry on to the surface. Carefully buff with a soft cloth or machine to remove any excess. Remove unabsorbed impregnating sealer, if left to dry on the surface, by rubbing over with a little more sealer. Some tiles may be darker after application. LTP Ironwax Satin and Gloss are film forming and leave a sheen on drying, so do not require buffing.

3 MAINTENANCE

LTP FLOORSHINE (for floors)

Cleans and protects in one application. Used routinely it will reinforce protection offered by LTP Ironwax Gloss and LTP Ironwax Satin.



NB. Always follow the detailed instructions on the product labels. Avoid using normal detergents or strong bleach cleaners on sealed surfaces as they will gradually remove the protective seal.

This information is offered without guarantee. The material should be used so as to take account of the local conditions and the surfaces to be treated. In case of doubt, the product should be tried out in an inconspicuous area.
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