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HABITUS *Cork Mosaic* TILE

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Why Cork?

Cork is an all-natural product, harvested from the bark of the cork oak tree. Perfect for green construction, cork oak is the only tree whose bark regenerates itself after harvest, leaving the tree unharmed.

Cork Mosaic Features;

- **Resilient:** will not break down under heavy loads, and repels moisture and liquid penetration (waterproof). Soft enough that your back, hips and knees feel better after standing on your feet for long periods of time but yet it doesn't feel spongy.
- **Anti-Allergenic:** Bugs, mold, termites.....are repelled by cork due to a naturally occurring waxy substance inside cork called Suberin. So if you've removed all your carpeting and installed hard but cold surfaces in your home due to allergies, now you can consider warm, soft cork.
- **Acoustical Insulation And Impact Noise Resistance:** Cork, with its 200 million air cells per cubic inch; of which 60% is air, essentially acts as an "air cushion", absorbing vibrations and direct impacts.
- **Soft & Warm:** The first thing most people notice about cork is how soft it feels underfoot. Cork Mosaic is a warm floor, it will remain 70 degrees year round .
- **Anti-static, Easy Maintenance, Insulating, Slip Resistant.....and more!**

Size Information;

Habitus Cork Mosaic

Available in two chip sizes; 1" diameter & 1-3/8" diameter

Sheet Size: 11-7/8" x 23-5/8"

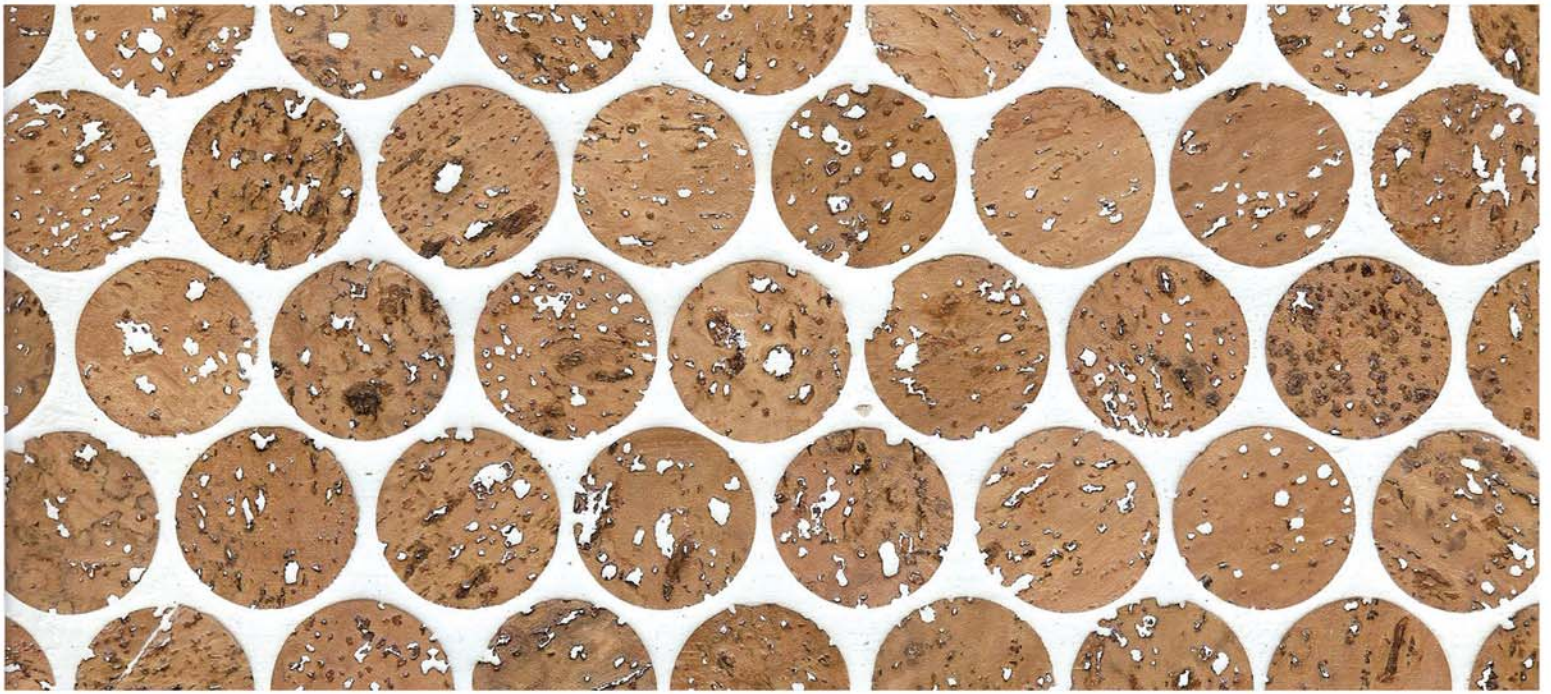
Sold by the nominal square foot (2 SF per sheet)

Finish: Natural Finish Only*

*We now supply Cork Mosaic in Natural Finish, with no stain & no varnish. The stain and/or finish should be applied during installation.

Special stain and finish considerations can be made although please consult with a Sales Associate for recommendations on the best solution for you.

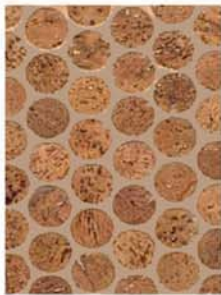




CUSTOMIZE *Cork Mosaic* TILE

Imagine the possibilities; stain Cork Mosaic any way you want using typical wood stains, then combine with a grout color, to create unique color combination. Varnish is used to protect the finish.

CONTACT US FOR CUSTOM COLOR AVAILABILITY, HERE ARE SOME IDEAS;



Natural Color
Natural Grout



Walnut Color
Desert Sand Grout



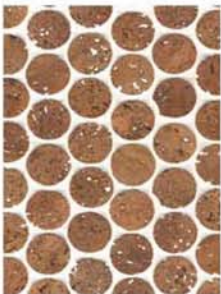
Walnut Color
Natural Grout



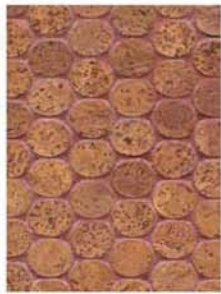
Walnut Color
Chocolate Grout



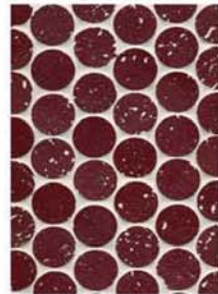
Rosewood
Desert Sand Grout



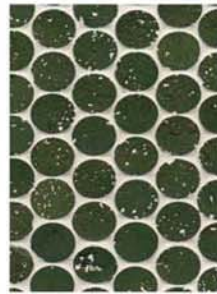
Natural Color
White Grout



Natural Color
Brick Red Grout



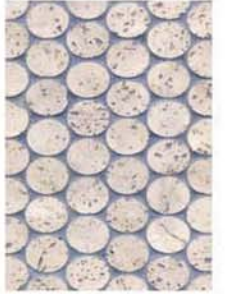
Spice Color
White Grout



Green Tea Color
White Grout



Island Water Color
White Grout



White Pickling Color
Baby Blue Grout

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1" diameter

AVAILABLE IN TWO SIZES

(natural finish shown)



1-3/8" diameter

Cork Mosaic INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS

Habitus Cork Mosaic Tile is installed in a manner similar to typical ceramic or glass mosaic tiles, glue then grout method. Please note the existing substrate should be clean & level. It is necessary to remove any old vinyl tiles, old adhesives, loose or weak concrete, dirt, debris and any other contaminant that could impact the bonding of the Cork Mosaic.



STEP 1: Apply a uniform layer of thin-set mortar using a V-notch trowel (3 mm)
Note: most common thin-set mortar adhesives are suitable for Cork Mosaic. (i.e., Mapei, Laticrete, or Ardex)



STEP 2: Carefully place the Cork Mosaic with the plastic sheet facing upwards, contacting the backside of the sheet to the thin-set mortar surface.



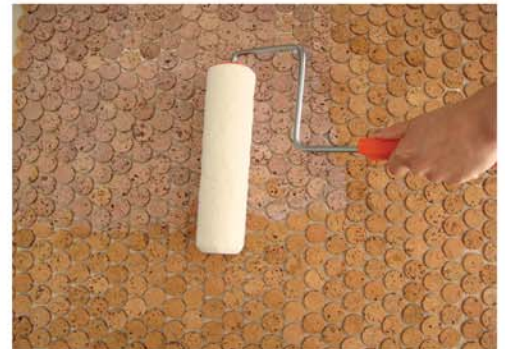
STEP 3: Carefully place each Cork Mosaic with the plastic sheet facing upwards, next to one another. Note: Cork Mosaic Chips can easily be cut and shaped easily using a utility knife.



STEP 4: Firmly press against all areas of each Cork Mosaic sheet, using a rubber trowel, in order to make certain proper contact of the material and adhesive.



STEP 5: Once the mortar adhesive is fully dry, carefully begin to peel away the plastic sheeting from the face of the Cork Mosaic material.



STEP 6A: For Natural Cork Mosaic: Once all the plastic sheeting is removed, you can proceed to apply a high quality water-based polyurethane using a brush or roller. 2-3 coats is recommended.



STEP 6B: For Custom Colored Cork Mosaic: Once all the plastic sheeting is removed, you can proceed to apply a stain product to the Cork Mosaic. Please make sure to follow stain manufacturer's instructions.



STEP 7: Once the polyurethane finish is fully dry, begin to apply a grout finishing product using a high quality rubber trowel. Grout Types: Mapei, Laticrete, StarQuartz



STEP 8: For added durability, and for all wet areas, it is important to apply another coat of polyurethane to the finished surface. (Once all grouting is finished and dry.)