

UNDERSTANDING

ENSO MOSAICS

Our Enso mosaics begin life as pebbles, which are sawn in order to create the unique shapes, re-tumbled, and assembled by hand onto mesh sheets.

This range celebrates the natural, organic character of hand-finished river pebbles. Each sheet has its own texture, movement, and tonal story, and part of their charm lies in the artisanal way they come together on the floor or wall. To help you achieve the best possible finish, we have put together a few key points to bear in mind before installation

1. Glue between the tesserae

Because Enso mosaics are hand-assembled from individual pieces and some movement during assembly is needed to ensure a good fit, you may notice small amounts of mesh glue showing between the pebbles. Any visible glue should be trimmed away during installation using a utility blade or similar, so that the grout line is clear.

2. Fitting the sheets together

The sheets are designed to interlock, although due to the natural shapes and the undulating outline of the pebbles, some sheets may not fit perfectly together. There is no need to allow for a grout joint when fitting these sheets together—the joints between the sheets are tight.

We recommend dry laying several sheets together to ensure the fit works before laying. Try fitting the sheets together in both orientations before fixing, so you can find the most natural flow. Do not expect a rigid or geometric alignment—Enso works best when the joints feel organic and intuitive.

3. Grout joint width

This collection is intentionally irregular. There are no recommended grout joint widths (largely there is no need to allow for one as the joints are tight), and the gaps between the tesserae vary across each sheet. For this reason, we do not advise the use of spacers or levelling pegs. When tiling onto walls, we would recommend using a rapid setting adhesive and tiling a row at a time to avoid any compression/slumping under load; but if time does not allow this, using a few spacers to prevent the sheets compressing/slumping is acceptable.

Allow the pieces to find their own rhythm, so the finished surface feels seamless and organic. This approach is essential for such a natural, organic-feeling mosaic like Enso.



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4. Variation in tone, thickness and finish

Every piece of stone in the Enso collection is unique. You can expect natural variation in:

- Colour
- Texture
- Surface finish
- Thickness

This variation is inherent to the product and part of its appeal, but it is important to bear in mind:

- When fixing, blend the sheets with artistic flair, to maintain an even colour mix.
- Generally speaking, the use of skirtings, trims and other regular profiles in combination with Enso mosaics is difficult to achieve in a satisfactory manner and will require varying silicone joints or grout infill to achieve.
- Due to the varying thicknesses, when fitting doors onto floors tiled with Enso, allow a larger gap than would be standard. When planning for buildup, allow for thickness variation for Enso of up to 5mm.
- Individual pieces where required so the surface remains comfortable underfoot and visually balanced.



5. Sealing

Enso mosaics must be sealed with a water-based sealer. Spirit based sealers can react with the mesh glue and may lead to discoloration of the stone. Our water based impregnating sealer, Stain Block Eco, is best suited to this purpose. Always seal before and after grouting.

6. Cleaning and maintenance

Due to the uneven, pebble-like surface, dirt may settle in the contours of the stone more readily than on a flat tile. Regular cleaning with a string mop (well wrung) helps, and in wet areas, external settings, or high traffic spaces, we recommend using our Deep Clean product periodically to lift any build up. A deeper clean once or twice a year will keep the surface looking its best.

If you have any questions about installation, sealing or ongoing care, our team is always happy to help. The Enso collection is designed to bring a sense of calm and natural beauty to your space, and with the right preparation, it will remain a feature to enjoy for many years.