TECHNICAL INFORMATION

DAKOTA



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APPLICATIONS

- Interior walls
- Exteriors (including freeze thaw areas)
- Pools (no freeze thaw)
- Showers (including steam)
- Light duty floors and countertops

HANDCRAFTED CHARACTERISTICS

Dakota is a handcrafted tile and some variation in color, thickness and size is to be expected. The clay body includes some recycled materials (including roof tiles) and minor surface irregularities are a natural characteristic of Dakota. The colors, edge texture and thickness will have naturally occurring variation due to the inherent characteristics of this clay body. Once properly installed, the beauty of this tile is enhanced by such variation.

INSTALLATION & MAINTENANCE

- All tiles must be laid out prior to setting to allow for blending of color variation.
- Dark or contrasting grouts should be tested for staining prior to grouting.
- Use a tile blade for cutting, not a coarse brick or stone blade.
- For Dakota matte colors, always pre-seal the tile prior to grouting if using a contrasting grout.

- The natural surface of Dakota may collect grout during the grouting process. Continually clean the surface with a clean, damp cloth or tile industry hydrophilic sponges. Once set, use a soft clean dry cloth to polish off the haze and remaining grout residue.
- Grout joints should be sealed after installation and periodically as needed.
- Use a PH neutral cleaner and avoid any citric or abrasive cleansers.

IMPORTANT!

We recommend wet cutting or the score and snap method during the installation process. Do not dry cut using power tools during the installation process. Improper installation techniques could expose installer to harmful dust.