

# GLAZE USAGE GUIDE

	<b>R Gloss</b>	<b>Brownstone + Parchment</b>	<b>Watercolors + RC Crackle</b>	<b>Craftsman</b>	<b>C300 Series</b>	<b>Kat + Roger</b>
<b>Counter Top (Residential)</b>	Yes. Darker glazes will show more wear.	Yes	No	Yes, except: C18, C19, C35, C50, C60, C65, C201, C207, C216, C228	Yes	Yes
<b>Floor (Residential)</b>	Yes. Darker glazes will show more wear.	Yes	No	Yes, except: C18, C19, C198, C201, C207, C216	Yes	Yes
<b>Shower Walls</b>	Yes	Yes	Yes, see *** notes below.	Yes, except: C23, C35, C50, C60, C65, C228	Yes	Yes
<b>Steam Shower</b>	Yes	Yes	No	Yes, except: C35, C50, C60, C65, C228	Yes	Yes
<b>Pools (non freeze-thaw climate)</b>	Yes	Yes	No	Yes, except: C35, C50, C60, C65, C228	Yes	Yes.
<b>Outdoor (freeze-thaw climate)</b>	No	No	No	No	No	No
<b>Notes on Acid Resistance</b>		Not subject to acid etching	Subject to acid etching	C35, C50, C60, C65, C228 are subject to acid etching	Not subject to acid etching	Not subject to acid etching
<b>Other</b>			***	**	**	

Pratt + Larson tile is not frost resistant.

**CLEANING:** Use a non-abrasive, non-acidic household cleaner. Do not use an abrasive scouring pad when cleaning tile. Please read cleaning product label to verify an acid free product. We recommend Soft Scrub with bleach.

\*\* Due to the stony, textural surface of the craftsman glazes, using a grout block is required to prevent hazing. We recommend applying a thin coat of Old English Lemon Oil as a grout block prior to grouting. Excess oil is removed through the grouting process or with soap and water. Do not let wet grout sit on craftsman glaze surfaces for an extended period of time as this increases the likelihood of hazing.

\*\*\* All Crackle glazes in the RC and W line should be sealed to prevent water penetration and tile discoloration. Seal all crackle glazes with penetrating silicone sealer before and after grouting. Watercolor and RC glazes will continue to crackle over time, periodic resealing is recommended. Crackle pattern will vary from tile to tile and is not controllable.

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**VARIATION:** The magic of handmade, ceramic tile is in its varied shades and sizes. Color, surface and size variations are to be expected from tile to tile. Please make sure you are referencing current color samples prior to ordering. Finished order may vary slightly from samples.

**SIZES:** All sizes listed vary. Our handmade tile is by nature slightly irregular. Field tile is approximately 3/8" thick.

**USAGE RECOMMENDATIONS:** Please refer to our glaze usage guide when ordering. Proper selection should be made according to intended use. As with all glazes, some wearing, scratching and crazing may occur over time, this is to be expected. The tile does not lose its integrity.

**CRACKLE:** All crackle glazes in the Watercolor and RC lines should be sealed with a penetrating silicone sealer before and after grouting to prevent water penetration and tile discoloration. Crackle glazes will continue to crackle over time, periodic resealing is recommended. Crackle pattern will vary from tile to tile and is not controllable.

**CRAFTSMAN:** Due to the stony, textural surface of the craftsman glazes, using a grout block is required to prevent hazing. We recommend applying a thin coat of Old English Lemon Oil as a grout block prior to grouting. Excess oil is removed through the grouting process or with soap and water. Do not let grout sit on craftsman glaze surfaces for an extended period of time as this increases the likelihood of hazing.

**MOSAICS:** In accordance with the TCNA guidelines, all mosaic patterns are face mounted with a transparent adhesive film. Depending on the glaze choice, mosaics may be installed in wet area applications, such as showers or submerged water applications.

**OUTDOOR USE:** Our tile is not frost resistant and should not be installed outdoors in climates where temperatures fall below freezing and there are freeze-thaw cycles.

**POOLS:** Pratt + Larson Tile is not frost resistant and should not be installed outdoors in climates where temperatures fall below freezing and there are freeze-thaw cycles. See usage chart for glazes that are affected by acids and acidic cleaners, any glazes subject to acid etching should not be used in pools.

**GROUT:** We recommend using sanded grout and installing with a 1/8"-3/16" grout joint. Craftsman, RC and Watercolor glazes should be sealed prior to grouting.

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**INSPECTION + INSTALLATION:** Inspect, sort and layout tile prior to installation. The magic of handmade tile is in its varied shades and sizes. Thoroughly inspect your order upon receiving. Any questions or concerns must be brought to our attention and resolved prior to installation. Installation constitutes acceptance. No claims will be honored after installation.

**CUTTING:** We recommend wet cutting during the installation process. Do not dry cut using power tools during the installation process. Improper installation techniques could expose installer to harmful dust.

**SUSTAINABILITY:** Most of our products are Red List Free. All electricity used in our studio and showroom is generated from 100% clean wind and renewable energy. We use recycled and recyclable paper products for all of our packaging. Our products may qualify for LEED credits in the Pacific NW within a 500 mile radius of our Portland, OR studio.