

# Jelinek Cork Wall & Ceiling Tile Installation Instructions

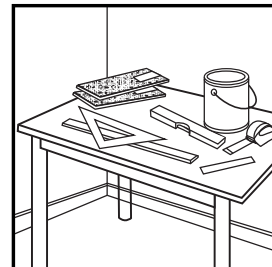
For optimal performance of your Jelinek Cork Wall and Ceiling tiles, ensure you read and understand the following instructions before proceeding with installation.

## 1 - Acclimatize & inspect tiles and wall/ceiling surface.

Important: Remove cork tiles from packaging. Spread out in room of installation for at least 72 hours prior to installing. This allows the material to stabilize at room temperature.

Inspect tiles to ensure color tones, patterns, and variances are correct. Remember: Cork is a natural product. Shade variance is an attractive characteristic of all natural products.

Check wall/ceiling surfaces on which installation will take place are clean, dry, and in good condition (free from screws, nails or any object that may be protruding). NOTE: The surface must be as smooth as possible for optimal adhesion. Drywall should be primed or painted and fully cured. Plywood should be smooth. It is recommended to use a plywood backer if installing over brick/rough concrete. This allows for proper adhesion.



## 2 - Prepare the cork tiles & wall/ceiling surface for installation.

Water-based contact cement should be used to adhere tiles to substrate. Always follow manufacturer instructions as shown on adhesive containers for best results.

Spread contact cement over the entire back of the cork tiles and over the entire wall or ceiling surface. Be sure both surfaces have been completely covered. If unsure, applying a second coat is not a problem. Allow contact cement to fully dry. Note: Work can be performed in sections if desired.

The contact cement MUST be completely dry to the touch on both surfaces before installing. Failure to do this will result in minimal or no adhesion, causing tiles not to stick at all or to eventually fall off.

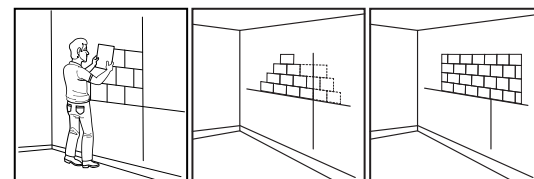


## 3 - Installation.

Once tiles and substrate have been prepared with contact cement, installation may begin. On the wall, mark a straight line to follow. Installation may begin wherever is preferred as long as the straight line is followed.

Check the position of the first tile before fixing and then press it firmly against the pre-glued surface area. Be sure to position it correctly before pressing as it will be difficult to remove if not done correctly the first time.

Continue installing adjoining tiles in a brick or staggered style pattern. To install in a brick/staggered style: Lay tiles in a row until the wall corner is reached. Start the second row at the middle of the first tile and continue on the same way for the following rows.



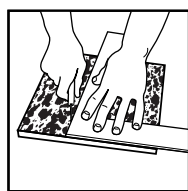
### NOTES:

The brick/staggered pattern helps reduce the look of seams as tiles naturally expand and contract on an individual basis.

Cork tiles may need to be cut at wall or ceiling edges. Cutting tiles to the required size is easily done using a sharp utility knife, a straight edge and a backer of some sort (plywood is best to avoid damaging the floor or table).

To ensure strong adhesion, it is recommended to use a j-roller on the wall after tiles have been pressed securely to the wall/ceiling.

Repairing a tile can be easily done by removing the damaged piece and replacing it using the same instructions as above...making sure the surface has been cleaned thoroughly.



**Enjoy your new cork wall,  
ceiling or cork board!**

If you are unsure of the process or have questions about the cork tiles, the surface you are installing the tiles to, the contact cement you would like to use or the substrate you are adhering the tiles to, call us at 1-800-959-0995 for professional installation advice.