

DIY Tips & Tricks

How to tile your splashback

BEFORE TILING:

1. Make sure the wall is clean and walls are washed down from dust prior to tiling
2. Prime the walls with Ardex "Multi Prime" and silicone joints where walls and floors meet

BEGIN TILING:

1. Measure out your walls to work out where cuts finish (we recommend cuts to be closest to the wall)
2. Use a 6mm trowel for your walls (depending on size can use up to 15mm – Speak to one of our trades assistants to work out what is most suitable for your tiles)



3. Use spacers and ramondi clips (depending on the size of the tile) to give you a nice flat surface
4. Once this is completed, you then begin silicone and grouting after 12 hours (next day)



GROUT & SILICONE FINISHING PRODUCT:

1. Grout all the tiles on the wall but do not grout the corners where the walls & floors meet – this is done with silicone)
2. Wash off with damp sponge to remove excess grout off the tiles
3. Cut Ardex silicone at a 45 degree angle and squeeze silicone out slowly into the joint of the walls & floor
4. Once complete use Ardex "SG SPRAY" and spray onto the silicone and use a silicone adapter to give you a smooth finish
5. Grout will leave a residue so polish it off with a rag once it is dry



TIPS:

- When finish cleaning the silicone off then put a bit of smooth fix on your finger and run slowly off the silicone – this helps to give a smoother finish
- If there is a laundry adjacent to the bathroom (on the same wall) this wall will also need to be waterproof to prevent water leaking through

LAYING WALL TILE VIDEO-

<https://youtu.be/pe6WU-4AwPw>





Ardex "Multi Prime"



Ardex "SE"



Ardex "WPM 155"



Sponge



6mm Trowel



Ardex "SG Spray"



Raimondi Clips