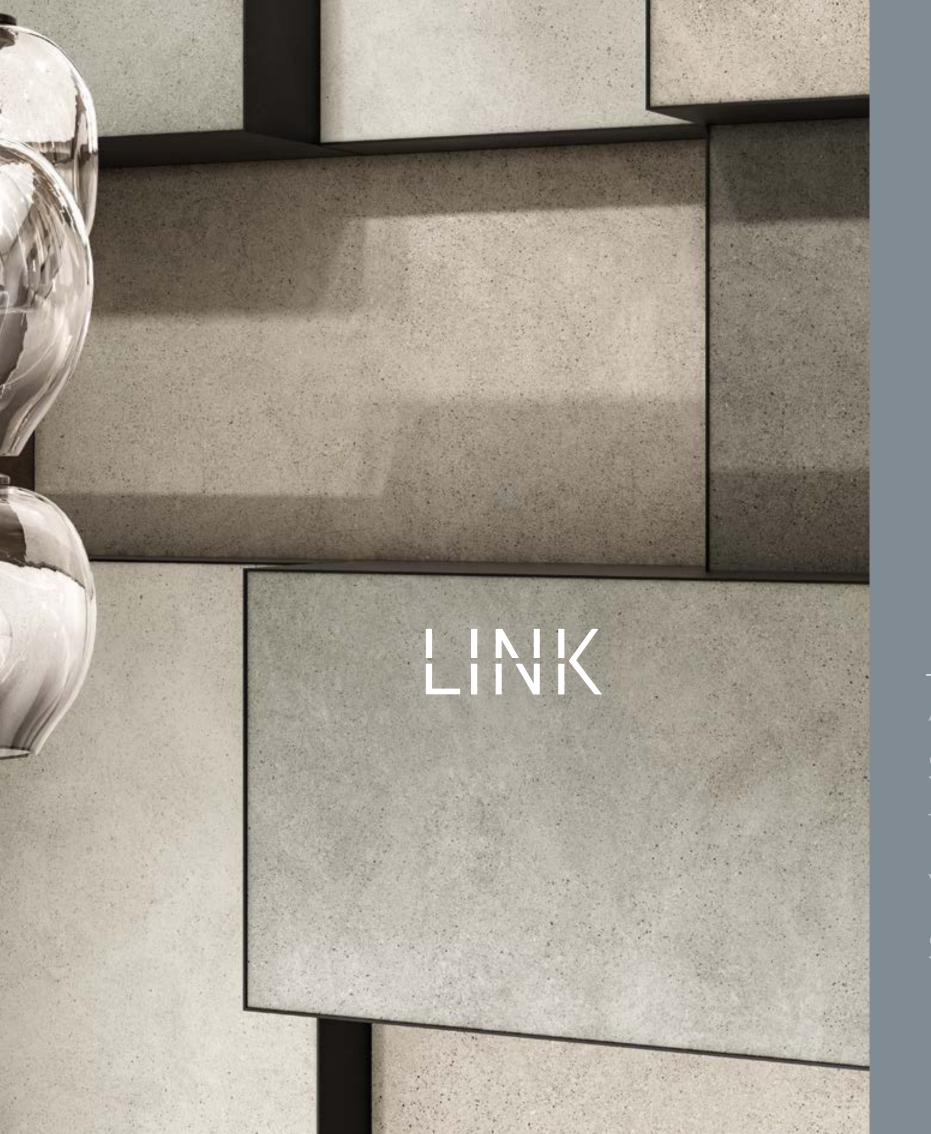


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DESIGNED IN ITALY



## Inspiration

A contemporary surface design that links concrete versatility with stone appeal

# Range Colors Sizes & Finishes.

Inspired by the beauty of natural stone merged with the strength of concrete, Link expresses an ambiance that is both subtle and captivating.

A gentle movement of fine grains and details communicates a modern elegance compatible with any style.



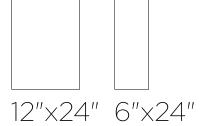
#### COLORED-BODY PORCELAIN TILES - RECTIFIED MATTE FINISH



24"×24"







HOOK

2"x2" Mosaic on 12"x12" sheet

decor

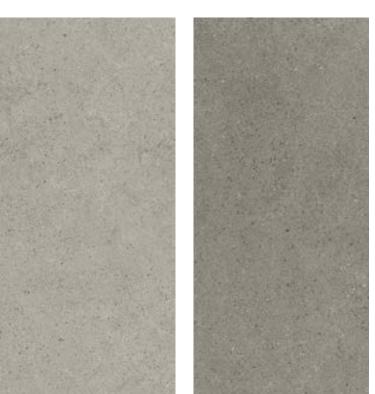


12"×12"

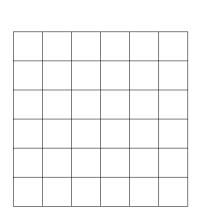
TIE BOLT



CHAIN



Available in all colors



30 different decorations randomly mixed





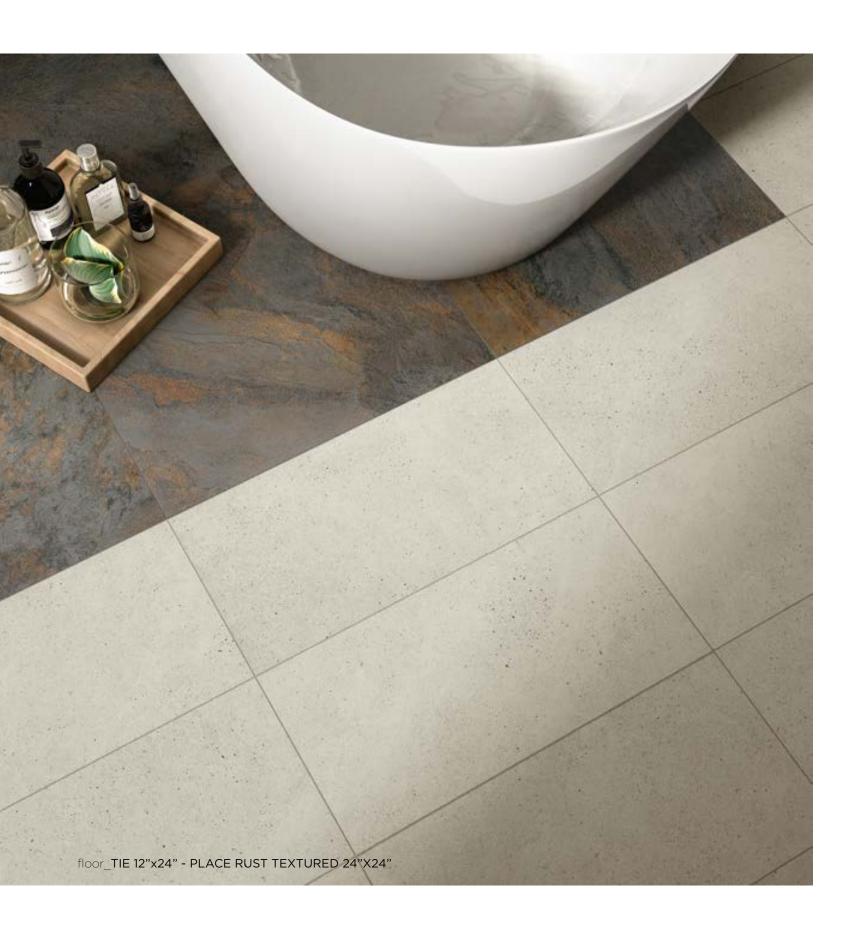
## HOOK&TIE

The refined movement and nuances reveal small details showing the highly sophifisticated aesthetics of the Link range.



wall\_HOOK 12"x24" / floor\_TIE 12"x24" - PLACE RUST TEXTURED 24"X24"

# Versatility Neutral colors adapt to any style











wall MIX COLOR: TIE BOLT CHAIN HOOK 24"x48" - 24"x24"

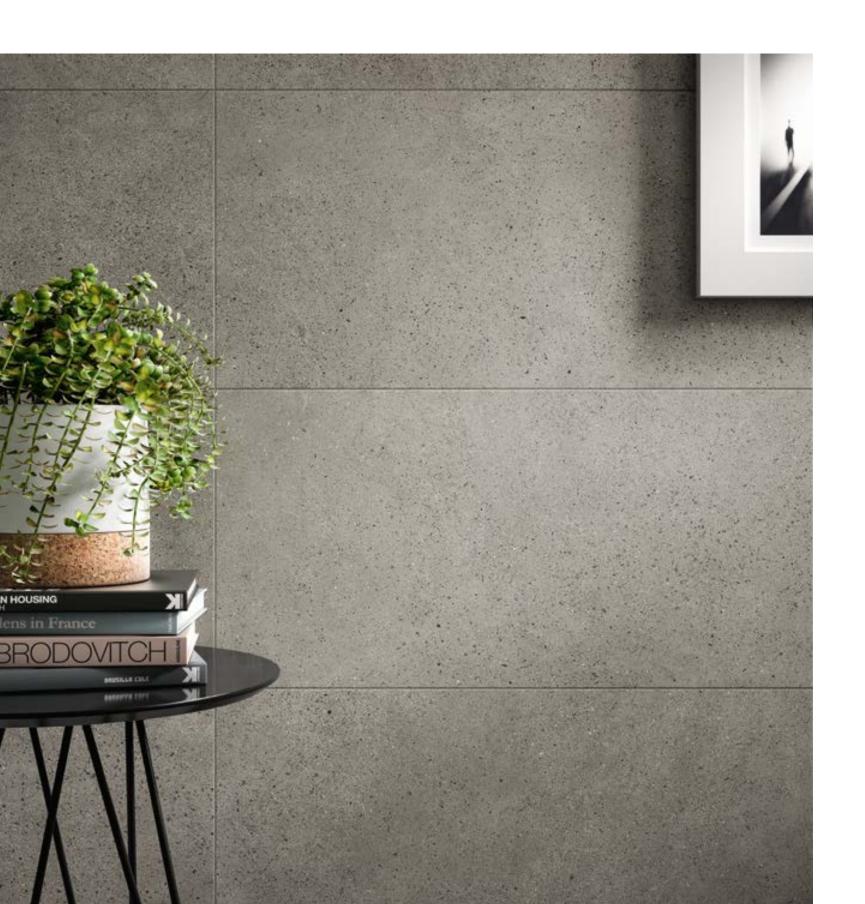
## Modern

Soft and calming colors blend effortlessy giving flexibility to interior projects



## Concrete meets stone

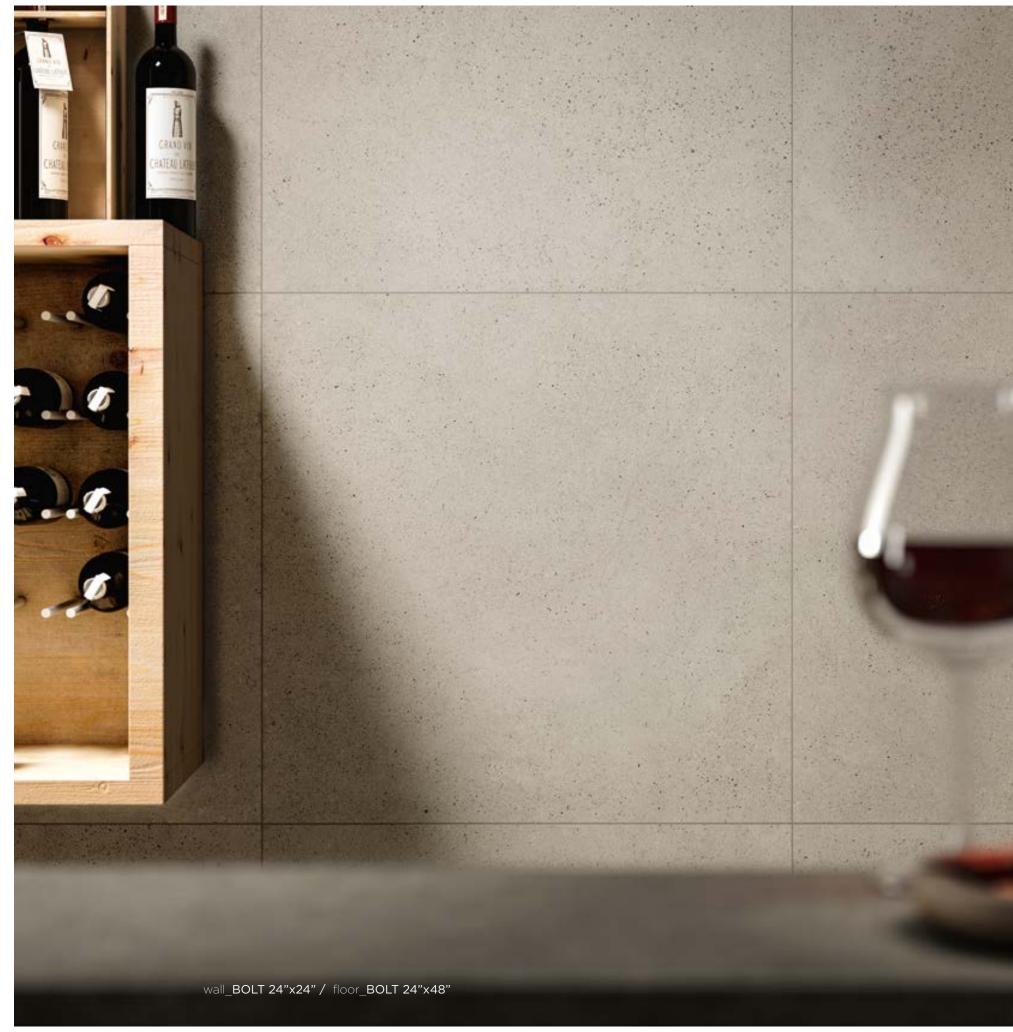
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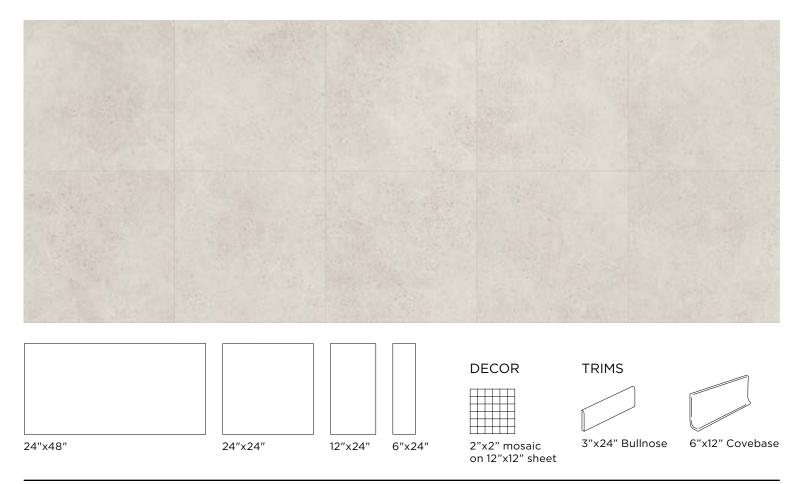




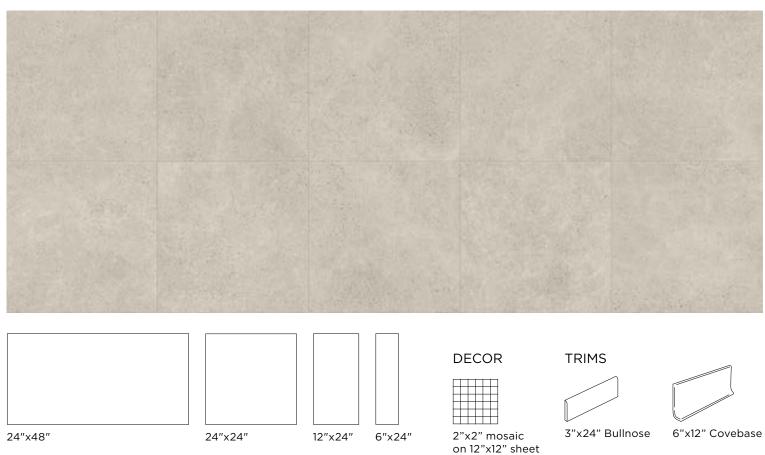




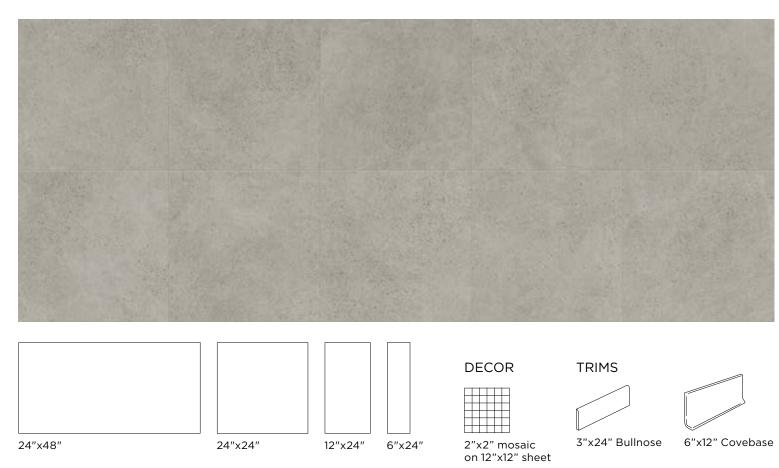
## TIE



## BOLT



## **CHAIN**



## HOOK

24"x24"

12"x24"

6"x24"

2"x2" mosaic

on 12"x12" sheet



3"x24" Bullnose 6"x12" Covebase





12"x12"

30 different decorations randomly mixed

#### UNIQUE DECOR, EASY TO MATCH, PERFECT FOR ANY STYLE



#### **COLORED-BODY PORCELAIN TILES** RECTIFIED, ONE CALIBER

Colored-body porcelain stoneware tiles are produced minimizing the color difference between the glaze and the body. Nevertheless, the design is visible only on the surface.





















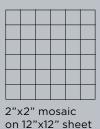






colors & sizes 24"x48" 305x610 MM 153x610 MM BOLT CHAIN

2"x2" mosaic Available in all colors



All sizes are nominal. For actual size information please refer to page 28.

#### packaging

TIE

HOOK

| SIZE<br>INCHES | мм       | BOX<br>PCS   | SURFACE (SQF) | SURFACE (SQM) | WEIGTH (LBS) | WEIGTH (KG) | PALLET<br>BOXES | SURFACE (SQF) | SURFACE (SQM) | WEIGTH (LBS) | WEIGTH (KG) |
|----------------|----------|--------------|---------------|---------------|--------------|-------------|-----------------|---------------|---------------|--------------|-------------|
| 24"x48"        | 610×1220 | 2            | 15.51         | 1.44          | ~62.81       | ~28.4       | 35              | 542.85        | 50.43         | ~2200        | ~997        |
| 24"x24"        | 610x610  | 3            | 11.63         | 1.08          | ~47.62       | ~21.6       | 40              | 465           | 43.2          | ~1904.77     | ~864        |
| 12"x24"        | 305x610  | 7            | 13.56         | 1.26          | ~55.56       | ~25.2       | 40              | 542.51        | 50.4          | ~2222.24     | ~1008       |
| 6"x24"         | 152x610  | 12           | 11.63         | 1.08          | ~47.62       | ~21.6       | 40              | 465           | 43.2          | ~1904.77     | ~864        |
| 12"x12" Fuse   | 305x305  | 10           | 9.69          | 0.9           | ~39.68       | ~18         | 36              | 348.75        | 32.4          | ~1428.58     | -648        |
| 2"x2" Mosaic   | 51x51    | 10<br>sheets | 9.69          | 0.9           | ~39.68       | -18         | 36              | 348.75        | 32.4          | ~1428.58     | ~648        |

Pieces of the same shade value are very uniform and smooth in texture. They can be measured for small color differences and are in compliance with the color uniformity requirements of tables 6-10 (ANSI A137.1-2012)



Differences among pieces from the same

Clearly distinguishable texture and/or pattern within similar colors.

Moderate Variation.

While the colors and/or textures present on a single piece of tile will be indicative of the colors and/or texture to be expected on the other tiles, the amount of colors and/or texture on each piece may vary significantly. It is recommended that the range be viewed before selection.



**Substantial Variation.** Random color and/or texture differences from tile to tile, so that one tile may have totally different colors and/or textures from that on other tiles. Thus, the final installation will be unique. It is recommended that the range be viewed before selection.

For information about installation and cleaning of Facings products, please consult our general catalogue or the website www.facingsofamerica.com. Color reproductions may vary from actual products.

Facings reserves the right to modify the products illustrated in this catalogue for reasons of production or to improve

Samples are purely indicative. Packaging and weights may vary for production reasons. Contact our sales department when ordering. In case of running pattern installation, Facings recommends a maximum 33% offset.

Facings warrants that our products meet or exceed the requirements of ANSI, specification ANSI A137.1: 2012, as shown in our Tile Performance Data sheets.

### The excellence

## of Facings of America porcelain stoneware

#### HEALTH AND SAFFTY

Porcelain stoneware is the best choice for those who care about health and safety. Porcelain's non-porous surface remains hygienic over time by avoiding the absorption of unwanted germs and bacteria. It's completely hypoallergenic, VOC free and won't emit harmful substances. Due to porcelain's non-absorbent properties, it is safe to use aggressive detergents although it's easy to clean and resistant to staining.



**ECO-FRIENDLY AND** NONTOXIC: WON'T RELEASE HARMFUL SUBSTANCES



HYGIENIC AND SAFE



NO CHEMICAL WATERPROOFING AGENTS, PAINT, OR RESIN



EASY TO CLEAN AND STAIN RESISTANT

#### HEAT AND FIRE RESISTANCE

Porcelain stoneware is naturally fireproof, and won't burn in the event of a fire. Even in intense heat porcelain maintains its shape and never releases toxins into the atmosphere.



**HEAT RESISTANT** 



**HEAT RESISTANT** 



RESISTANT TO SUN DAMAGE AND COLOR FADING



Epoxy-based grout cannot be cleaned when it has completely hardened and cleans them properly.

#### **VERSATILITY AND** SUSTAINABILITY

The choice of an eco-sustainable, durable and versatile material for floors and walls means a lot of benefits for the environment. Facings of America porcelain stoneware is produced with non-exhaustible, natural, raw materials, that are easy to install, and, at the end of its long life, it is easy and cheap to dispose of 100% recyclable.



**EASY TO INSTALL** 



WATER AND DAMP RESISTANT







WIDE RANGE OF SIZES AND COLORS



#### BEAUTY & **DURABILITY**

Porcelain tiles remain as beautiful as the first day even when they are exposed to different types of stress. They resist scratches and abrasions and are able to withstand heavy loads. This mean it is a material suitable for driveways and high traffic places.



RESISTANT TO HOUSEHOLD AND INDUSTRIAL CHEMICALS



**FROSTPROOF** 



LOAD BEARING AND STRESS RESISTANT



**SCRATCH AND ABRASION RESISTANT** 



THERMAL SHOCK RESISTANT



**RESISTANT TO SMOG** AND POLLUTION



#### **CLEANING PROCEDURES**

#### FINAL CLEANING AFTER INSTALLATION

A few hours after grouting, as soon as the grout starts to dry and becomes opaque, sweep the floor. Within 48 hours from grouting and before the grout hardens definitively, wet the floor with an acid and buffered solution. Dilution depends on the type of surface (smooth or textured).

Spread the solution containing acid especially made for stoneware using a mop or a rotary brush for large surfaces, and featuring suitable discs, and let the solution work for a few minutes. Rinse with warm water and clean cloths and repeat several times until all stains and residues have been eliminated. Make sure to change rinsing water several times. Complete by

Prevent contact of the acid solution with other materials (metal, marble, etc.).

#### ATTENTION!!

other than mechanically with risks to the surface of the tiles. For more information and recommendations, consult the grout manufacturer. Care must be taken on inlayed, polished and anti-slip products; for the latter in particular, the use of a floor-washing machine combined with the action of an acid detergent helps reach the spaces between adjacent tiles

If such a cleaning procedure is not carried out, or if such cleaning is carried out too late, the grout residue creates an extremely absorbent film, which holds dirt, making the surface difficult to clean: in this case, Facings of America, INC. will not be liable for any damage caused to the surface.

#### **CLEANING AND CARE**

If the cleaning rules after installation are followed, routine maintenance, i.e. everyday cleaning to remove dirt from traffic and general use of the tiled surface, is reasonably easy.

We would like to remind you that porcelain stoneware is a product with excellent technical features which allow for the highest grade of mechanical wear and resistance to acids (except for hydrofluoric acid and its derivatives) and alkalis, features which are added to a high aesthetic quality. Porcelain stoneware has a low absorption level, another intrinsic characteristic of the product. As detailed in the technical sheets, absorption levels are very low in the production process Facings adopts, and all our products will achieve the best results for any kind of specific

Ordinary maintenance must be carried out using specialist detergents to remove stains but these detergents must not leave a wax, film or membrane

Rinsing well with plenty of clean water is a fundamental part of the cleaning

procedure, therefore we advise against the use of products which state that they "do not need rinsing"

We would like to inform you that, the above mentioned standards do not cover rubber stains (shoes, heels, mats, etc...) especially where these kinds of stains are frequent: therefore, Facings of America will not be held liable for any such damage to the surface of these products. All types of surface of the Facings of America range can be washed with clean water or water and up to 50% of bleach or alcohol.

We recommend periodical cleaning with basic products or a micro-foaming basic product for porcelain stoneware, followed by thorough rinsing and

#### **HEAVY-DUTY CLEANING**

Any stains or marks can be removed quite easily since porcelain stoneware has very low absorption properties and resists acids and bases. Depending on the type of stain, you can use:

- ACIDS for INORGANIC stains.
- BASES for ORGANIC stains
- SOLVENTS for SYNTHETIC stains

The use of common aggressive acids (such as muriatic acid for instance) must be avoided. These products remove residues of grout but also irreparably damage the grout within the joint. Also pay attention to all products containing HYDROFLUORIC ACID (HF) SINCE THEY IRREPARABLY DAMAGE ALL CERAMIC SURFACES.

#### WARNING

The above suggestions are a result of research, laboratory tests and several years' experience. However, the cleaning features of the materials may vary significantly according to the different installation methods, conditions of use, types of surface and destination. As a general rule, the higher the anti-slip values of the tiles are, the greater cleaning inconveniences may arise. The professional operator in charge of maintenance and cleaning shall always check the surface condition before proceeding with any cleaning and/or maintenance operation (we would suggest to test some tiles before installation). Facings of America declines any liability with reference to cleaning and maintenance operations in case of heavy conditions of use (such as mechanical workshop or spaces presenting oily residues or tire marks), bad installation work or wrong cleaning operations, it is agreed that Caesar USA shall not be liable for any event, damage or defect due to wrong installation of the tiles, faulty cleaning and maintenance operations or inadequate choice of the type of material to be laid or of the adhesives used in a certain destination of use.







#### FROM OUR PLANT....

The **brand new production facilities** in the USA are built in compliance with the most stringent standards in term of environmental protection, safety of workers and reduction of energy consumption.



#### TO YOUR PROJECT.

By choosing Facings of America, the end user will be sure to purchase **durable**, **safe and green floor and wall tiles:** being extremely durable, they do not call for any chemical treatment, varnish or special detergent. They do not release dust or other substances, even when subject to high pedestrian traffic.



#### **HPD**

(Health Product Declaration®)

The Health Product Declaration (HPD) Open Standard provides for the disclosure of product contents and potential associated human and environmental health hazards.

By means of its declaration, Facings of America adheres to the standard.



#### **LEED**

(Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design)

#### This Product is LEED certified

The LEED program, promoted by the USGBC, is the most widely used green building rating system in the world. Available for virtually all building, community and home project types, LEED provides a framework to create healthy, highly efficient and cost-saving green buildings.

#### TILE PERFORMANCE DATA

#### COLORED-BODY PORCELAIN TILES - RECTIFIED

Classification in accordance with ANSI A137.1: 2012 (P1 class).

|          | TECHNICAL FEATURE               | ASTM        | VALUE REQUIRED ANSI A 137.1-2012 | FACINGS AVERAGE VALUE                |
|----------|---------------------------------|-------------|----------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
|          | Facial dimension                | ASTM C-499  | ± 0,25% or ± 0,03 in             |                                      |
| 1 1      | Wedging                         | ASTM C-502  | ± 0,25% or ± 0,03 in             |                                      |
| F        | Warpage diagonal                | ASTM C-485  | ± 0,4% or ± 0,07 in              | - In accordance to ANSI A 137.1-2012 |
| <b>1</b> | Warpage edge                    | ASTM C-485  | ± 0,4% or ± 0,05 in              | -                                    |
| <u>+</u> | Thickness                       | ASTM C-499  | RANGE:<br>0,040 inch max (1 mm)  | In accordance to ANSI A 137.1-2012   |
|          | Water absorption                | ASTM C-373  | ≤ 0,5%                           | Passed "impervious tiles" Class P1   |
| <b>*</b> | Breaking strength               | ASTM C-648  | ≥ 250 lbs (≥1113 N)              | ≥400 lbs                             |
|          | Freeze thaw                     | ASTM C-1026 | No damages                       | In accordance                        |
|          | Chemical resistance             | ASTM C-650  | As reported                      | Unaffected                           |
|          | MOHS hardness                   |             |                                  | 6                                    |
| <i>O</i> | Dynamic Coefficient of Friction |             | 0,42                             | In accordance                        |
|          |                                 |             |                                  |                                      |

Average values referred to the last two years of production and related to the matte finish of the product.

#### ACTUAL SIZES FOR RECTIFIED MATERIAL

| NOMINAL SIZE<br>INCHES | ММ       | ACTUAL SIZE INCHES                          | ММ       |
|------------------------|----------|---|----------|
| 24"x48"                | 610x1220 | 23 <sup>15/32</sup> "x47 <sup>3/64</sup> "  | 596x1195 |
| 24"x24"                | 610x610  | 23 <sup>15/32</sup> "x23 <sup>15/32</sup> " | 596×596  |
| 12"x24"                | 305×610  | 11 <sup>11/16</sup> "x23 <sup>15/32</sup> " | 297x596  |
| 6"x24"                 | 152×610  | 5 <sup>45/64</sup> "x23 <sup>15/32</sup> "  | 145x596  |
| 8"x40"                 | 203×1016 | 7 <sup>23/32</sup> "x39 <sup>11/64</sup> "  | 196x995  |

#### ACTUAL SIZES FOR RECTIFIED MATERIAL - 3/4" THICKNESS

| NOMINAL SIZE INCHES | мм      | ACTUAL SIZE<br>INCHES                       | мм      |
|---------------------|---------|---|---------|
| 24"x24"             | 610x610 | 23 <sup>35/64</sup> "x23 <sup>35/64</sup> " | 598x598 |

#### ACTUAL SIZES FOR NON-RECTIFIED MATERIAL

| NOMINAL SIZE INCHES | ММ       | ACTUAL SIZE INCHES                          | ММ       |
|---------------------|----------|---|----------|
| 12"x24"             | 305x610  | 11 <sup>13/16</sup> "x23 <sup>47/64</sup> " | 300x603  |
| 8"x40"              | 203x1016 | 7 <sup>7/8</sup> "x39 <sup>3/8</sup> "      | 200x1000 |



Values relate to the matte finish of the product and to tests carried out by certified external laboratories, whose results are available upon request.

Be sure to use the same caliber tiles. Color reproductions may vary from actual products.

<sup>\*</sup> Due to the intrinsic nature of porcelain stoneware tiles, please note that the coefficient of friction may vary within the same production lot or from one production lot to the other. Facings products can become slippery when wet. We recommend to always keep the surface dry.

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