

ARTISAN PREMIX

Finish Coat Stucco

DESCRIPTION

IMASCO ARTISAN PREMIX is a mixture of portland cement (conforming to ASTM C150), hydrated lime (conforming to ASTM C206), inert aggregates, and additives specially blended to provide improved workability, better coverage, colour consistency, and increased water resistance.

IMASCO ARTISAN PREMIX is specially formulated for heavy textures such as broom dashes, rock dashes, thick trowel and other attractive old world finish styles. DO NOT USE IMASCO ARTISAN PREMIX for light or smooth.

ADVANTAGES

- Supports a range of darker colours
- Durable finish
- Lasts the life of construction
- · Old world appearance
- High variety of texture options.

PACKAGING

88lb (40kg) moisture protective bag.

COVERAGE

Coverage is variable depending on desired thickness and texture. Approximately $8-10 \text{yds}^2$ (6.7-8.4 m2)* at %" (3.2 mm) thickness. This does not include texture material.

*Coverages given are approximate and will vary depending on substrate, details and individual application technique.

PREPARATION

Substrate surface must be firm, fully cured, clean and free of deleterious materials.

MIXING

The recommended amount of water is 1.5gal (7L) per 1 bag of IMASCO ARTISAN PREMIX. However, this amount of water can be varied to achieve the desired consistency needed for a particular texture finish. Refer to Imasco texture instructions for more specific details.

Choose one of the following mixing methods.

Recommended Method

 For improvement of colour consistency for darker colours add all units of Imasco Artisan Colour to approximately 1gal (4L) of water at the beginning of the mix cycle and let colour and water mix for approximately 3 minutes before the addition of IMASCO ARTISAN PREMIX.

 Then add the IMASCO ARTISAN PREMIX along with remainder of required water to desired consistency. Mix for an additional 5 minutes.

Alternate Method

- Mix 50% of 1 bag of IMASCO ARTISAN PREMIX with 50% of required water, and then add all units of Imasco Artisan Colour.
- Add the remainder of IMASCO ARTISAN PREMIX along with remainder of required water to desired consistency. Mix for an additional 5 minutes.

Do not add extra ingredients.

IMPORTANT - for uniformity of texture and colour, measurement of ingredients (including mixing water) must be accurate. Successive batches shall be proportioned alike. Maximum mixing time 15 minutes.

Over mixing will cause soft stucco, colour problems, and reduced workability.

COLOUR ADDITION

Imasco Artisan Colours (shown in our colour charts) are available in many attractive colours, and in convenient protective jars.

To be used with red label colours on Imasco's most current colour chart

IMASCO ARTISAN COLOUR	IMASCO ARTISAN PREMIX
1 jar	1 bag

IMPORTANT: Colour indication is approximate. Variations in colour may occur due to weather, texture, job conditions, and application method.

The maximum colour addition is 1 jar of Imasco Artisan Colour per bag of IMASCO ARTISAN PREMIX.

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IMPORTANT - if working on a large project, it is important to purchase the same colour batch number for the complete job. This will minimize the potential for colour variation.

We highly recommend that the contractor prepare an on site sample for the builders approval prior to commencing

APPLICATION

HAND APPLICATION – apply using trowel. Spread an even coat, then float or trowel to achieve the desired texture.

IMPORTANT - the addition of water in the floating or troweling application will disturb the colour, and careful planning is necessary to keep working areas small enough to be completed without re-tempering with water. Additions of water or extensive troweling can cause segregation of ingredients resulting in uneven texture or colour distortion. Moreover the addition of water will result in a lighter colour than expected.

MACHINE APPLICATION

To reduce colour variation in spray applications, a skim coat with a steel trowel is recommended to ensure basecoat is completely covered. Spray second coat to desired texture. This procedure greatly improves colour consistency by preventing the basecoat from showing through.

Product must be applied in accordance with Imasco specifications (conforming to NBC, BCBC, ABC, BBC, AWCA, AWCI and NWCB guidelines).

WARNING - working time can be greatly affected by temperature and humidity. Application in extreme temperature will cause unsatisfactory results.

Note: Can be used as an interior product with proper ventilation.

Surface temperature must be above 4° C (39°F). Avoid applications late in the day if dew is imminent or if temperatures below 4° C (39°F) are expected within 24 hours.

Do not apply below grade.

CURING

During hot, dry, or dry windy conditions keep stucco moist for at least 48 hours by lightly misting walls. For best results, moist cure the stucco at the beginning and end of the day. Keep misting after the plaster takes its initial set. Do not spray the walls with high-pressurized water for at least 72 hours. Finish coat may be applied after a minimum of 7 days,

during ideal conditions. See the Imasco Guide Specifications for further information.

During the cold season special precautions should be taken. The basecoat should be applied above 4°C (39°F) and should remain above 4°C (39°F) for a minimum of 48 hours. Use insulated tarps, additional heating and air circulation as required. Refer to Imasco technical bulletin on techniques for Hoarding Stucco Work (TB001) and technical bulletin on Cold Weather Application (TB002). Note: technical bulletins are available at http://www.imascominerals.com/contractors-resources.html.

Some cracking and efflorescence are inherent to portland cement, and are not a reflection of product quality.

STORAGE

Keep in dry, cool area protected from the weather.

SHELF LIFE

Use as soon as possible and protect from moisture. Normal shelf life is 6 months, provided it is stored in a cool, dry area.

SAFETY PRECAUTIONS

IMASCO ARTISAN PREMIX contains Portland cement and lime. Avoid contact with eyes or prolonged contact with skin. In case of eye contact, flush with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes. Get prompt medical attention. In case of skin contact, wash thoroughly with water. Wear eye protection and suitable dust mask. Do not take internally. KEEP OUT OF REACH OF CHILDREN.

WARRANTY

IMASCO ARTISAN PREMIX is manufactured to strict quality standards using the highest quality ingredients. Imasco Minerals Inc. fully guarantees its products and will refund or replace any product found to be defective. Liability is limited to replacement or refund only and no other warranty is expressed or implied. For individual products, Imasco Minerals Inc. offers a 5 year material defect warranty. Please see written warranties for further details.

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