Before installation please read number 36 on Conditions of Sale and read carefully the Installation of Rustik within our Norstone Masterguide

Installation Guide for Rustik Panels

Carefully remove the panels from each box and lay them out ready to install. Note how each panel has slot that appears to be a "piece" missing from the top and bottom i.e. the long edges of each panel. These missing sections form the gap for the Keystone pieces to be installed later. The wall should ideally be either brick or block work for strength to carry the weight of the stone veneer cladding. Plaster board on studwork is definitely not suitable as a substrate.

Single Panel



Establish a level line and use this to begin fixing the first layer of panels and continue checking the horizontal level as panels are fixed up the wall. Select the panels carefully to ensure a tight fit on all sides, especially the stepped ends, to make certain that the joints are as tight as possible. Always screed a thick layer of thinset on the wall. Then butter the back of each panel with the adhesive to guarantee that the panels bond well with the wall surface and that all voids on the back of each panel are filled. No grouting required.

Installation of the First Row



Initial Phase of Installation showing gaps for the Keystones



Second Phase of Installation. Inserting the Keystones

After completing the installation of the entire wall area then the next stage is to insert the keystones. The bottom layer will require some keystones to be cut along one edge to fit. All the keystones are unique in that they are not made as one exact size. This is quite deliberate as the gaps to be filled are random in shape and size, not uniform. This gives our Rustik a particularly exclusive appearance unlike most stone cladding. For the subsequent layers then choose keystones that fit neatly into the space. A few may require slight modification using either a light weight stone hammer or an angle grinder.

Fixing External Corners

Corners are easily fabricated on site by carefully selecting two panels and interlocking them at 90 degrees to form an external corner set as shown. Because the ends of the stone strips are natural ends, rather than sawn cut, then these panels naturally mold together to create the ideal corner set.



Finished Rustik Wall

