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ELDORADO STONE® FINISHING DETAILS



THE MOST BELIEVABLE ARCHITECTURAL STONE VENEER IN THE WORLD™

Believability has always been the ultimate goal of the craftsmen of Eldorado Stone[®]. As our product line has developed, so has our understanding of what it takes to achieve the true art of stone masonry. The following pages are intended to share with you what we have learned about the installation of manufactured veneer products. Given this, we present the following information to assist you in your creative endeavors.





TRANSITION DETAILS

In addition to the five basic substrate application details that we have illustrated in our *Installation Procedures* brochure, we are often asked for additional construction details for our architectural veneers. The following seventeen diagrams are ideas when veneer transitions are needed. Compiled from the finest architects' and developers' drawings, these details are the creative solutions you need to finish a job right the first time.

When Eldorado Stone[®] veneer flats and corners are used together, a variety of simple and cost-effective solutions are possible. These drawings show how depth, dimension and believability can be achieved by following a few simple steps and a few tricks of the trade.

NOTE: The following construction details on pages 4 through 6 are provided as ideas for solutions to architectural designs. They will not necessarily apply to the specific design circumstances you may encounter. These construction details may, and probably will, require changes to meet your particular design requirements. Manufacturer accepts no responsibility or liability for the use of these or other construction details.







TRANSITION Stone Siding





Exterior Plaster

TRANSITION Wood Trim

TRANSITION Roof to Wall

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TRANSITION Stone-Plaster



WINDOW JAMB Flush Termination

WINDOW HEADER Furred Trim



DOOR HEADER Furred Trim





WAINSCOT SILLS

GROUT TECHNIQUES

Selecting the appropriate grout technique is just as important as installing the stone properly. The grout style should be chosen before installing any of the Eldorado Stone[®] veneer profiles.

The following finished grout details are three of the most commonly used techniques. The Standard (Raked) or Full Joint, the Dry-stack and the Overgrout Joint each have their own unique look which play an important role in the finished details of a veneer installation that has the look and feel of real stone.

Grout Tips

Always keep the face of the stone clean (unless you want a slurry finish) because smeared mortar may permanently stain the stone.

You can, and many times should, add color to the mortar to more closely match the stone. Care should be taken to be assured that the color emulates a natural earthen sand color. Also, be aware of the geographic properties of different ingredients.

Joints can be tooled with specific masonry tools or with anything you find easy to use -a stick or your fingers. If it works, use it!

Don't allow joints to fully harden before tooling. Mortar should be pliable and crumbly, not too wet and not too dry.

Overgrout joints can be tooled (somewhat) earlier than raked joints.

Don't grout more than you can manage at one time.

Using a grout bag is much easier than hand "tucking" the joints. Timing is everything.





Elevation

Cross Section





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STANDARD JOINT (RAKED)

A standard joint (raked) is achieved by laying each veneer piece roughly one finger width apart from each other, then grouting between each veneer piece. The semi-dry mortar is later "raked" with a variety of tools ultimately achieving a consistent depth and giving it that distinctive raked out look.

FULL JOINT

A full joint is similar to a standard joint, however, the grout level is flush with the face of the veneer. A full joint differs from an overgrout joint because the grout does not actually overlap the face of the veneer.

More variation occurs in the topography of the veneer's surface since the mortar is struck back to a consistent plane depth.

Only grout as much as you can manage.

More of the veneer's face shows than with overgrout.

Run you finger over the grout — if it crumbles it is ready to be raked.

While viewing a cross section of the job visualize the mortar as a single plane.

Maintain the same depth of mortar — approximately 0.5 " below the veneer's face.

OVERGROUT JOINT

Overgrout, an increasingly popular way to achieve an old-world look, is sometimes referred to as sack finish — a name derived from old-timers who used burlap sacks to smooth mortar to a plane flush with the veneer's face. Today, trowels, tuck pointers — even fingers — are used to achieve the overgrouted or sacked look. This technique tends to make the masonry appear rustic and aged. The grout overlaps the face of the veneer, widening the joints and making them very irregular. This old-world technique connotes different things to different people so make sure and have your mason prepare a mock-up before beginning any actual work.

It's important that the joint's mortar be applied without air pockets and are filled completely to the substrate.

Overfill joints when applying grout.

Veneer's surface appears more uniform (topographically) because the mortar joint is closer to the face of the veneer.

Mortar should be right between being too wet and too crumbly.

The overgrout technique uses almost every veneer piece shipped because broken edges can be hidden by grout.

Use a trowel for a tempered, more faceted finish.



Elevation

Cross Section

DRY-STACK JOINT

A dry-stack joint technique is accomplished by "dry" fitting each veneer piece prior to installation. Each piece can be laid with virtually no joint. Even though you've used mortar to set the veneer to the surface, when complete, the finished look will appear as though no mortar was used to install the veneer. The intent of a dry-stack look is a tightly stacked natural stone appearance.

Since it is intended to look like each veneer piece has been laid on top of each other, it is not necessary to grout dry-stack installations around each veneer piece. However, it is important that every veneer piece is installed with a full coverage of mortar on the backside and that the perimeter of each veneer piece is sealed with mortar.

It is sometimes desirable to do touch-up grouting to fill noticeable voids where the veneer is not a perfect fit and to conceal the appearance of cut or broken veneer edges.

To maintain a horizontal orientation, minute adjustments in spacing might be necessary.

If a veneer piece's edge is to be hidden, be sure to trim that piece — or "back cut" it — at an angle.

Use compressed air to dust out joints where brushes don't reach.

Dry-stack joints should not be used in the application of Eldorado Brick® or Eldorado Adobe®.

General Observations



Careful! Avoid the "+ sign" pattern (left) that can occur if installed awkwardly by locating pieces so grout joints are staggered (right).

Always have your mason prepare a mock-up of the grout finish you wish to use (standard, full, drystack or overgrout) prior to beginning the actual installation. Make sure you understand how he intends to finish the joints. All the veneer shipped to the site should be placed face up over an area so a mental inventory of the sizes, shapes and colors can take place. Many profiles require a rationing of certain veneer pieces throughout the entire process. Start at the corners and edges of the surfaces to be veneered and work inward. This will reduce the amount of cutting required to fit pieces.

Adverse weather conditions affect manufactured veneer during installation.

Alternate corner colors and shapes.

Avoid any "+ signs" in the joints (see illustration).

Metal tools that strike the mortar breaks the skin which will cause moisture to rise and accelerate the drying time. It will also "polish" the grout.

ACCENT COLOR RECOMMENDATIONS

NATIONWIDE PROFILES

PROFILE	PROFILE COLOR	RECOMMENDED ACCENT COLOR
Ashlar	Bedford Fairmont Santa Barbara	Earth Earth, Smoke Buckskin
Bluffstone™	Bodega Coos Bay La Plata Mineret Prescott	Earth, Taupe Smoke Buckskin Buckskin, Earth, Taupe Buckskin, Smoke
Cliffstone®	Cambria Lantana Manzanita Mesquite Montecito Ponderosa	Buckskin, Earth Buckskin, Earth, Smoke, Taupe Buckskin Buckskin Smoke Taupe
Country Rubble™	Bella Capri Cognac Polermo	Buckskin Buckskin, Earth, Smoke Buckskin, Earth, Smoke, Taupe Earth, Smoke, Taupe
Cypress Ridge™	Countryside Orchard Summerhouse	Buckskin, Smoke, Taupe Buckskin, Earth, Taupe Buckskin, Taupe
Fieldledge®	Andante Meseta Padova Umbria Veneto	Smoke Smoke, Taupe Earth Buckskin Earth, Taupe
Hillstone [®]	Bergamo Lucera Molano Verona	Buckskin, Smoke Buckskin, Smoke Buckskin Smoke, Taupe
Limestone	Castillo San Marino Savannah Shilo York	Buckskin Buckskin, Smoke Buckskin, Earth, Taupe Buckskin, Earth, Taupe Buckskin, Smoke

PROFILE	PROFILE COLOR	RECOMMENDED ACCENT COLOR
Mountain Ledge	Bitteroot Durango Mesa Verde Shasta Sierra Yukon	Earth, Taupe Buckskin, Earth, Taupe Earth, Taupe Smoke Buckskin, Earth, Smoke Buckskin
Mountain Ledge Panels	Pioneer Russet Silverton	Buckskin Buckskin, Earth, Taupe Smoke
River Rock	Colorado Rainier Rio Grande Saginaw Yakima	Buckskin Buckskin Buckskin Buckskin, Taupe Buckskin, Taupe
RoughCut™	Autumn Leaf Vineyard Trail Wheatfield	Buckskin, Earth Buckskin, Smoke Buckskin
Rustic Ledge®	Cascade Clearwater Saddleback Saratoga Sawtooth Sequoia	Buckskin Smoke Smoke Buckskin, Smoke Buckskin, Earth, Taupe Buckskin
Shadow Rock	Bronze Chesapeake Shenandoah Somerset Teton	Buckskin, Taupe Smoke Buckskin, Earth, Taupe Buckskin, Smoke Buckskin, Smoke
Stacked Stone	Alderwood Castaway Chapel Hill Nantucket Pagosa Springs Santa Fe	Buckskin, Smoke Earth, Taupe Smoke Buckskin, Smoke Buckskin, Earth Earth, Taupe
Тор Rock	Buckhorn Dakota La Quinta Montana	Earth, Taupe Earth, Taupe Earth, Taupe Buckskin, Smoke

ACCENT COLOR RECOMMENDATIONS

EASTERN PROFILES

PROFILE	PROFILE COLOR	RECOMMENDED ACCENT COLOR
Bluffstone™	Olive Grove Woodlands	Buckskin, Earth Buckskin, Earth
Castle Stone	Eastridge Springfield	Buckskin, Earth Earth
CoastalReef™	Pearl White Sanibel	Buckskin Buckskin
Country Rubble™	Alderidge Berkshire Millstream River Gorge	Earth Earth Earth Earth
Granite	Columbia Mackinac	Earth Earth
Ledge Quartz™	Grandview North Peak	Smoke Earth
Limestone	Bridgeport New Haven	Buckskin, Earth Earth
Mountain Ledge	Asheville Charleston Chestnut Ridge Lexington Timberwood Walnut Ridge	Earth, Smoke Earth, Taupe Earth Earth Buckskin, Earth Earth, Smoke
River Rock	Superior	Earth, Smoke
Shadow Rock	Crescent Peak Ironwood Willow	Smoke Smoke Buckskin, Earth
Weather Edge™	Amber Falls Deerfield	Buckskin, Smoke Buckskin, Earth

WESTERN PROFILES

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PROFILE	PROFILE COLOR	RECOMMENDED ACCENT COLOR
Coarsed Stone™	Santa Barbara	Buckskin
Coastal Ledge™	La Jolla Santa Barbara Santa Cruz	Buckskin Buckskin Buckskin, Earth
CoastalReef™	Pearl White Sanibel	Buckskin Buckskin
Cobblestone	Coal Canyon Newport Tombstone	Smoke Buckskin Buckskin
Country Rubble™	Bordeaux Chateau English	Buckskin, Earth Buckskin Smoke
Creek Cobble®	American Blend Sierra Yosemite	Smoke Buckskin, Earth Buckskin
Limestone	Appalachian Austin Cream Monterey Rincon	Buckskin, Smoke Buckskin Buckskin Earth, Taupe
Mountain Ledge	Buckskin Oakridge	Buckskin Buckskin
Quarrystone [®]	Jackson Valley	Buckskin, Earth
River Rock	American Blend Sierra Sonoma Yosemite	Smoke Buckskin, Earth Earth, Taupe Buckskin
Rustic Ledge®	Pine Top Prairie	Buckskin Buckskin
Sandstone	Santa Barbara	Buckskin
Stacked Stone	Slate Gray	Smoke
Weather Edge™	Napa Valley Western Wisconsin	Smoke Buckskin

ACCENT COLOR RECOMMENDATIONS

NORTHWESTERN PROFILES

PROFILE	PROFILE COLOR	RECOMMENDED ACCENT COLOR
Broken Top	K-West Willamette	Smoke Earth
Cobblestone	Brown Gray	Buckskin Smoke
Limestone	Mt. St. Helens Sacramento	Smoke Buckskin, Earth
Monarch	Northwest Flintstone	Smoke
Mountain Ledge Panels	China Copper Warm Springs	Buckskin, Earth Buckskin Buckskin, Earth
Quartz	Cascade	Buckskin, Taupe
River Rock	Mountain Blend Northwest	Buckskin, Earth Buckskin
Shadow Rock	Cascade	Buckskin
Stacked Stone	China Mountain Olympic	Buckskin, Smoke Buckskin
Vintage Manor™	London Yorkshire	Smoke Buckskin
Weather Edge™	Northwestern Wisconsin	Buckskin, Earth

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