



## TOBIAS STUCCO®

INTERIOR • WALL • FINISH

### INSTALLATION

#### Tools

To mix and apply Tobias Stucco® you will need the following tools:

- Metal Trowel
- Blue Masking Tape
- Drill and Paddle
- Pan or Hawk
- Drop Cloth

#### Coverage

- 5 gallon bucket covers 350 sq. ft. with 1 coat.
- 1 gallon bucket covers 70 sq. ft. with 1 coat.
- Tobias Stucco® Interior Wall Finish requires 2 coats.

#### Preparation For Use

Tobias Stucco® is ready to apply straight from the bucket. There is no need for mixing with an electric paddle as long as you use it within 3 weeks of the date stamped on the bucket.

- DO NOT add water or any other liquids or substances to the mixture.
- DO NOT add color to the mixture.
- ONLY USE the tools suggested in the “tools” section.
- Mix with electric paddle 3 weeks from date on bucket.
- Mix with electric paddle if you see separation in the mixture, which could occur during shipping.
- DO NOT scoop stucco out of the bucket with a sharp metal tool. This will scratch the bucket and cause bits of plastic to fall into the mix. Bits of plastic in the mix will cause streaking on the surfaces.
- When using an electric paddle be sure that the edges of the paddle are smooth so as not to scratch off any small bits of plastic from the bucket into the mix.
- Be certain that the surface you are covering is free of grease, glue and dust.

#### Accidental Drips or Spills

Use tap water with a rag, soft brush or sponge to clean up accidental drips or spills on most surfaces including sealed wood, tile and carpets. No solvents are necessary.

### APPLICATIONS

- CAN BE machine applied
- DO NOT roll on
- DO NOT brush on walls
- ONLY USE a brush for moldings, stain application or Palermo texture

#### General Installation Instructions - Application Guide

Tobias Stucco® Interior Wall Finish can be used over most common building substrates, this guide will provide basic information for installation and application.

1. Tape around windows, doors, moldings, baseboards etc.
2. Remove tape between coats when Tobias Stucco® is damp and re-tape when the first coat is dry.
3. For new construction apply flat primer to gypsum board, particle board, cement board, concrete or cinder block. White primer will suffice; however tinting the primer to match the Tobias Stucco® color of choice will prevent white holidays from appearing.
4. Allow the primer to dry thoroughly before applying the first coat of Tobias Stucco®.
5. Apply Tobias Stucco® with a trowel no more than 1/16” thick. More than 1/8” thickness will create a crackling effect. Press in and pull trowel across the substrate. Do not overwork the trowel.
6. Allow each coat to dry thoroughly. Always use the recommended number of coats for each texture. Tobias Stucco® requires a minimum of two coats to achieve the optimum look and durability.
7. Begin application at the corner of the wall and proceed. Complete one wall or plane at a time. Never stop in the middle of the wall or plane to avoid cold lines.



## Walls with Existing Texture

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1. For texture more than 1/4" high, sand wall or plane.
2. For flat or Semi-gloss paint use flat primer.
3. For enamel paint use shellac primer.
4. Proceed with General Installation Instructions.
5. For orange peel texture follow enamel, semi-gloss or flat painted wall instructions.

## Walls with Existing Enamel Paint

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1. Strip or lightly sand surfaces.
2. Apply a Safecoat® Transitional Primer
3. Proceed with Tobias Stucco® application.

## Walls with Existing Semi-Gloss Paint

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1. Apply flat primer.
2. Proceed with Tobias Stucco® application over the painted surfaces.

## Walls with Existing Flat Paint

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1. No need for primer.
2. Proceed with Tobias Stucco® application over the painted surfaces.

## Wood Trim or Moldings

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1. Apply flat primer.
2. Use a 1" or 2" bristle brush to apply Tobias Stucco® to the surface.

## Wallpaper

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1. Remove all wall paper and glue.
2. DO NOT leave any glue on the wall.
3. Prime over walls.

## Brick

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1. Don't attempt to camouflage the brick with Tobias Stucco®.
2. For best results brown with conventional plaster or cover the wall with OSB board or sheet rock.
3. Apply flat compatible primer and proceed.

## Cinderblock

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1. Seal with 2 coats of Safecoat Penetrating Water Stop.
2. Apply flat compatible primer and proceed.
3. Rough or skip trowel works best.
4. To smooth substrate brown with conventional plaster.

## Kitchens

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1. Tobias Stucco® works well in kitchens, however it is not recommended for use above cooking or prep areas.
2. DO NOT use in heavy washing area. Safecoat® Polyureseal Satin Finish Sealer or Safecoat® MexeSeal recommended in heavy use areas.

## Bathrooms

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1. DO NOT use Tobias Stucco® in tub or shower areas.
2. Seal walls with Safecoat® Polyureseal Satin Finish Sealer or Safecoat® MexeSeal over 2 coats of Tobias Stucco®.
3. Catch runs from the finish with a damp clean white cloth.
4. Apply a second coat for extra protection.

## MAINTENANCE

### Cleaning Scuffed or Soiled Walls with Tobias Stucco®

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- Use a soft, clean white rag with clear mild soapy water to clean up soils.
- Use a gentle circular or pouncing motion.
- Deeper pigment colors may appear on the cloth, this is a natural occurrence and will not change the integrity of the wall color.
- Pat the surface with a damp, clean white cloth. Let dry.
- DO NOT SCRUB.
- DO NOT USE brushes with hard bristles.
- DO NOT USE harsh cleaners or cleaners with color added.
- DO NOT USE colored sponges.
- DO NOT USE abrasive sponges.
- DO NOT USE steel wool.

### Removing Nails

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- Gently remove the nail from the wall. The hole will be the same size as the nail. Touch up with same Tobias Stucco® color using finger tip or small brush.

### Changing Tobias Stucco® Color

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- Use one coat of any Tobias Stucco® color to cover over existing color.

### Changing Back to Paint

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1. You can cover over Tobias Stucco® with paint.
2. Apply flat primer before painting over stucco.

### Cleaning Application Tools

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- Use tap water and a brush to clean tools.
- No solvents are necessary.

### Storing Leftover Tobias Stucco®

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- Clean the inside walls of the bucket down to the stucco line.
- Place plastic wrap securely on top of the stucco.
- Replace lid tightly.
- Keep in a cool, dry place.
- Mix thoroughly with electric paddle before reusing.

#### Disclaimers

*Tobias Stucco® Interior Wall Finish is recommended for the professional contractor and is to be applied by an individual with plaster or stucco experience. Tobias Stucco® does not take responsibility for unprofessional applications or product tampering.*

## TEXTURE TECHNIQUES

Tobias Stucco® produces a medley of enriched textured surfaces. Its cake batter consistency is forgiving and affords the professional craftsman unlimited creative possibilities.

### Instructions for “PALERMO” Textured Surface - Two Coat Process

Palermo is a Tobias Stucco® texture achieved with a rough trowel technique and brush application.

1. Apply Tobias Stucco® freely with a rough trowel technique, allow a bit more thickness.
2. When the material is still wet, use crumpled newspaper and pounce all over the entire surface. Periodically change paper formation and replace newspaper when necessary.
3. When the 1st coat is dry, use a 2-3” bristle brush to apply the 2nd coat of Tobias Stucco® in a cross hatch pattern, be more random instead of consistent. Be sure to leave some of the original surface showing through. (This will create depth)
4. When almost dry the stucco will feel crumbly. Use a white rag in circular motion to knock down and smooth out the surface.

### Instructions for “UMBRIA” Smooth Surface - Two Coat Process

Umbria is a Tobias Stucco® smooth texture achieved with a basic smooth trowel technique.

1. Apply Tobias Stucco® along the wall until smooth.
2. Allow 1st coat to dry before applying the 2nd coat.

### Instructions for “SMOOTH UMBRIA” Smooth Surface - Two Coat Process

Umbria is a Tobias Stucco® smooth texture achieved with a basic smooth trowel technique.

1. Apply Tobias Stucco® along the wall until smooth.
2. Allow 1st coat to dry before applying the 2nd coat.
3. When the 2nd coat is still damp, spray mist with water and knock down with a trowel.

### Instructions for “VENETO” Smooth Surface - Three Coat Process

Veneto is a Tobias Stucco® two color smooth texture.

1. 1st Coat - trowel on color of choice with a smooth trowel technique.
2. 2nd Coat - trowel on same color with a smooth trowel technique.
3. 3rd Coat - When the 2nd coat is still wet, have a second applicator apply the Natural Tobias Stucco® color in a circular motion until blended smooth with the color of choice.
4. When Tobias Stucco® is still moist, lightly mist with water and knock down with a trowel.

**Note:** While one applicator is applying the second coat of Tobias Stucco®, have a second applicator come behind with the third coat.

### Instructions for “ABRUZZI” Stained Surface - Two Coat Process

Abruzzi is a Tobias Stucco® texture achieved with stain over the Tobias Stucco® Umbria texture.

Tobias Stucco® Stain comes in Terra-Cotta Grey, Yellow Grey and White Grey. Each can be used separately or once dry one can be applied over the other for more depth.

“ABRUZZI” continued...

1. Use a bristle brush to apply Tobias Stucco® Stain over Tobias Stucco® Umbria surface. Cover the surface with the stain section by section.
2. Immediately use a clean white dampened cloth to catch the runs and control the look of the finish by feathering out the edges.
3. Wait until the surface is dry before adding fresh coats of the stain for deeper shades. Using a dryer will hasten drying time.

**Note:** Best with two applicators; 1 to apply the stain the other to control the stain.

### Instructions for “FIRENZE” Textured Surface - Two Coat Process

Firenze is a Tobias Stucco® texture achieved with a basic smooth trowel technique.

1. Apply 1st coat of Tobias Stucco® with a smooth trowel technique.
2. Apply 2nd coat with a smooth trowel technique - leaving occasional half rounded trowel marks.

### Instructions for “VERONA” Textured Surface - Two Coat Process

Verona is a Tobias Stucco® texture achieved with a smooth and light rough trowel technique.

1. Apply 1st coat of Tobias Stucco® with a smooth trowel technique.
2. Apply 2nd coat with a light rough trowel technique.

### Instructions for “SAN MARINO” Sanded Surface - Two Coat Process

San Marino is a two coat process. San Marino is a Tobias Stucco® sanded texture achieved with a basic smooth trowel.

1. Apply 1st coat of Tobias Stucco® with a smooth trowel technique.
2. Apply 2nd coat with a smooth trowel technique – leaving half rounded trowel marks.
3. Allow 2nd coat to dry thoroughly.
4. Sand the surface with an electric sander.
5. Use 50 grit sandpaper.
6. Sand until the surface is smooth not flat.
7. Sanding will create color variations.
8. Remove excess dust with a soft brush. Do not rub. Go over the walls very lightly.
9. Wear a mask while sanding.

### Instructions for “LUCCA” Textured Surface - Three Coat Process

Lucca is a Tobias Stucco® texture achieved with smooth, skip and rough trowel techniques and sanded.

1. Apply Tobias Stucco® with a smooth trowel technique.
2. Apply 2nd coat with a light trowel technique leaving occasional half rounded trowel marks.
3. Apply 3rd coat with a rough trowel in a random pattern. Leaving open areas of different sizes and shapes.
4. Allow 3rd coat to dry.
5. Sand the surface lightly with an electric sander. Use 50 grit sand paper.

"LUCCA" continued...

6. Sand until the surface is smooth not flat.
7. Remove excess dust with a soft brush. Do not rub. Go over the walls very lightly.
8. Wear a mask while sanding.

### Instructions for "VENETIAN" Textured Surface (GLOSS or NON-GLOSS) - Three Coat Process

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Venetian is a Tobias Stucco® texture achieved with smooth and skip trowel techniques.

1. 1st Coat - trowel on color of choice with a smooth trowel technique.
2. 2nd Coat - trowel on same color with a smooth trowel technique.
3. 3rd Coat - When the 2nd coat is still wet have a second applicator apply the contrasting color with a skip trowel random deposit technique leaving open areas of different sizes and shapes.
4. Once dry sand lightly with electric sander using 50 grit sand paper.
5. Remove excess dust with a soft brush. Do not rub. Go over the walls very lightly.
6. If desired Apply 1-2 coats of Safecoat® Polyureseal Satin Finish Sealer with a 3" brush.
7. Allow 1st coat to dry before applying the 2nd coat.

**Note:** While one applicator is applying the second coat of Tobias Stucco®, have a second applicator come behind with the third coat.

### Instructions for "MILANO" Textured Surface - Two Coat Process

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Milano is a Tobias Stucco® texture achieved with a smooth and light rough technique and sanded.

1. Apply Tobias Stucco® with a smooth trowel technique.
2. Apply 2nd coat with a light rough trowel technique.
3. Sand the surface lightly with an electric sander.
4. Use 50 grit sand paper.
5. Sand until the surface is smooth not flat.
6. Remove excess dust with a soft brush. Do not rub. Go over the walls very lightly.
7. Wear a mask while sanding.

### Instructions for "ROMAN" Textured Surface (GLOSS or NON-GLOSS) - Two Coat Process

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Roman is a Tobias Stucco® texture achieved with a smooth and light rough trowel technique, stain and gloss.

Tobias Stucco® Stain comes in Terra-Cotta Grey, Yellow Grey and White Grey. Each can be used separately or once dry one can be applied over the other for more depth.

1. Apply 1st coat of Tobias Stucco® with a smooth trowel technique.
2. Apply 2nd coat with a light rough trowel technique.
3. Once dry use a 3" bristle brush to apply Tobias Stucco® Stain over the surface. Cover the surface with the stain.
4. Immediately use a clean white cloth to catch the runs and control the look of the finish.
5. Wait until the surface is dry before adding fresh coats of the stain for deeper shades. Using a dryer will hasten drying time.

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6. Sand the surface lightly with an electric sander.
7. Use 50 grit sand paper.
8. Remove excess dust with a soft brush. Do not rub. Go over the walls very lightly.
9. If desired, apply 1-2 coats of Safecoat® Polyureseal Satin Finish Sealer with a 3" bristle brush.
10. Allow 1st coat to dry before applying the 2nd coat.

### Instructions for "VARESE" Textured Surface - Two Coat Process

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Varese is a Tobias Stucco® texture that requires the use of a stainless steel trowel. Waxed or Unwaxed.

1. Apply 1st coat in a color of choice with a smooth trowel technique.
2. Apply 2nd coat of the same color with a smooth trowel technique.
3. Let the stucco set-up and push with a hard trowel technique or burn the surface until smooth.
4. Mist with water if necessary to achieve smooth finish. (optional)
5. Let dry thoroughly.
6. Trowel or rag on a smooth coat of Tobias Stucco Wax. (optional)
7. When dry to the touch (approx. 90 minutes ) Buff with an electric buffer - do not exceed 1500 rpm's.

### Instructions for "VARESE Multi" Textured Surface - Three Coat Process

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Varese Multi is a Tobias Stucco® texture that requires the use of a stainless steel trowel. Waxed or Unwaxed.

1. Apply 1st coat in a color of choice with a smooth trowel technique.
2. Apply 2nd coat of the same color with a smooth trowel technique and immediately apply the color natural or a compatible color with a skip trowel technique while the base color is wet.
3. Blend both colors together. Avoid straight lines.
4. Let the stucco set-up and push with a hard trowel technique or burn the surface until smooth.
5. Mist with water if necessary to achieve smooth finish. (optional)
6. Let dry thoroughly.
7. Trowel or rag on a smooth coat of Tobias Stucco Wax. (optional)
8. When dry to the touch ( approx. 90 minutes ) Buff with an electric buffer - do not exceed 1500 rpm's.



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