

technical information

VINTNERS RESERVE

<p>CHARACTERISTICS</p>	<p>Vintners Reserve is made from a stoneware clay body that has less than 3% absorption. As a result, it is very strong and also freeze-thaw resistant. The handcrafted glazing technique results in a unique micro texture surface.</p>		
<p>INSTALLATION & MAINTENANCE</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Seal the tile 1-2 times prior to grouting with a sealer or grout release. The sealer will coat the surface and help ease the clean up process at the time of grouting. Allow grout release to set per manufacturer's instructions. - It is very important to continually clean excess grout from the surface as work progresses, while grout is fresh and before it hardens. Ensure that no grout residue is left on the surface. Rinse thoroughly with clean water, changing water frequently. Grout clean-up is particularly important with Vintners Reserve relief designs. Make sure to thoroughly clean excess grout from the "recessed areas" of all carved designs. - The Vintners Reserve micro texture surface may show dirt, but it is usually easily cleaned. For routine maintenance and clean-up, use a soft bristle brush and a recommended stone/tile cleaner. A mild soap may also work. Clean surface and then rinse thoroughly with clean water. The Vintners Reserve glaze surface is very strong, so it is possible to thoroughly scrub the tile surface to help remove some dirt or staining. 		
<p>SUGGESTED APPLICATIONS</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Walls - Light duty floors (micro texture may show dirt, especially with light colors) - Bathrooms - Steam showers - Pools - Exterior areas including freeze-thaw 		
<p>ASTM TEST RESULTS <small>(American Society Testing for Materials)</small></p>	<p>TEST #</p> <p>C650 C1027 C648 C1378 C1026</p>	<p>TYPE OF TEST</p> <p>Chemical Resistance Abrasion Resistance Breaking Strength Stain Resistance Freeze/Thaw</p>	<p>RESULTS</p> <p>No affect, 24 hour duration > 600 revolution, class 2 > 548 lbs. - Force No affect, 24 hour duration No affect after 15 cycles</p>