



# AMERICAN CLAY<sup>®</sup>

## Naturally Beautiful Walls<sup>™</sup>

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### PRODUCT

**American Clay Plaster - Enjarre<sup>™</sup>**

### DESCRIPTION

**American Clay Plaster - Enjarre<sup>™</sup>** is our only single-coat product. This application eliminates some of the labor and cost typically involved in finishing a wall. It can be applied to achieve a range of finishes, from semi-smooth to rustic and textured. Enjarre<sup>™</sup> can also be used as a basecoat for our other products.

### TECHNICAL DATA

#### Composition:

- » A proprietary blend of clays and marble sand.

#### Limitations:

- » For interior use only. Not applicable for exterior projects.
- » Not to be applied over substrates which are subject to movement from absorption and excessive moisture (e.g.: wallpaper, wood) and ill-prepared old substrates.

#### Packaging:

- » 63 lb. bags (22.67 kg)

#### Coverage:

- » 100 square feet per 63 lb. bag (per coat)

### APPLICATION PROCEDURES

#### Preparation:

- » Complete any "General Preparation" steps required to bring the surface to a relatively flat, dust free, well-bonded surface. For instructions regarding specific substrates, please visit [www.americanclay.com](http://www.americanclay.com).
- » Room should be at least 50°F (10°C).

#### Masking:

- » Protect floors with drop cloths or plastic. Tape all adjacent surfaces. Keep tape 1/8" (3 mm) away from the surface being plastered, so tape does not pull off any plaster when tape is removed.

#### Applying Sanded Primer:

- » Coat the entire surface with an approved multipurpose, transitional or stain-blocking paint primer mixed with American Clay Primer Sand. For the most up to date list of approved primers, please visit [www.americanclay.com](http://www.americanclay.com).
- » Apply a second coat on all outside corners and other vulnerable areas.

#### Mixing:

- » Pour 1 3/4 gallons (6.62 L) of water into a 5 to 15 gallon (20 to 60 L) plastic container. Add 1/2 bag plaster and mix.
- » Add one bag of Up & EZ! binder and mix completely.
- » Add enough water to dry color pigment to create a slurry and mix (optional, helps prevent starring.)
- » Add pigment (wet or dry) to bucket and mix.
- » Add remaining plaster and more water if needed to bring plaster to a "soft-serve ice cream" consistency.
- » Let plaster sit for 30 minutes prior to application and remix.

#### Single Coat Application:

- » Using a hawk and trowel, apply the coat of plaster as thin as 2 credit cards for Enjarre<sup>™</sup>.
- » Apply plaster in vertical strips, trying to avoid horizontal seams. Maintain a wet edge at all times and go from one edge of the wall to the other without breaking.
- » Adjust the texture: when wall is "leather hard" you may smooth the wall by hard troweling, remove trowel marks with a dry sponge, or create an evenly rough surface by rubbing the entire surface with a dry sponge.

#### Compression:

- » **Compression is mandatory. This step must be completed to ensure proper installation.**
- » Sponge Finish: after the wall is dry, use a lightly damp tile sponge and in a circular motion lightly buff the surface. Then brush excess sand off wall.
- » Matte finish: lightly mist dry plaster, so surface is fully damp but water is not running down wall. Hard trowel with Japanese steel trowel.
- » Burnishing (optional): done after hard troweling. Let plaster set, so it is not quite so wet, and use plastic trowel to avoid leaving gray "burn" marks.
- » The wall should feel smooth and stable, not sandy, dusty or "hairy" when you finish.

#### Storage:

- » American Clay plaster may be stored wet in the bucket for multiple weeks. Although, mold may develop after 7 days.
- » It is recommended that the plaster be dried out on a sheet of plastic and rehydrated with water for repairs.

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