

# CARE + MAINTENANCE

## CERAMIC WALL TILES

Ceramic wall tiles are a popular choice for their aesthetic appeal, ease of maintenance, and durability. To ensure they remain in top condition, it's important to follow specific care and maintenance practices. This guide provides recommendations for daily cleaning, deep cleaning, stain removal, and general maintenance of ceramic wall tiles.

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### DAILY CLEANING

#### DUSTING

Regularly dust the tiles with a soft, dry cloth or a microfiber duster to remove surface dust and debris.

#### WIPING

Wipe the tiles with a damp cloth or sponge using warm water. For regular cleaning, a mild dish soap can be added to the water.

#### DRYING

After wiping down, dry the tiles with a soft, clean cloth to prevent water spots and streaks.

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### DEEP CLEANING

#### FREQUENCY

Perform a deep cleaning every 1-2 months or as needed, depending on the exposure to dirt and grime.

#### CLEANING SOLUTIONS

Use a pH-neutral tile cleaner or a mixture of vinegar and water (1:1 ratio) for deep cleaning.

#### SCRUBBING

Use a soft brush or a non-abrasive scrub pad to clean the tiles thoroughly. Focus on grout lines and areas with visible stains.

#### RINSING

Rinse the tiles with clean water to remove any residual cleaner.

#### DRYING

Dry the tiles with a soft cloth to avoid streaks and water spots.

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### STAIN REMOVAL

#### GENERAL STAINS

Apply a paste of baking soda and water to the stained area. Let it sit for a few minutes, then scrub gently with a soft brush. Rinse and dry the area.

#### SOAP SCUM + HARD WATER STAINS

Use a mixture of vinegar and water or a commercial soap scum remover. Apply to the stained area, scrub gently, rinse, and dry.

#### MOLD + MILDEW

Apply a mixture of bleach and water (1:10 ratio) to the affected area. Let it sit for a few minutes, scrub with a brush, rinse thoroughly, and dry.

#### GREASE + OIL STAINS

Use a mixture of water and dishwashing detergent. Apply to the stain, scrub gently, rinse, and dry.

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### GENERAL MAINTENANCE

#### SEALING GROUT

Seal the grout lines every 6-12 months to prevent stains and moisture penetration. Use a high-quality grout sealer and follow the manufacturer's instructions.

#### REGULAR INSPECTIONS

Regularly inspect the tiles for cracks, chips, or loose tiles. Repair any damage promptly to prevent further issues.

#### AVOIDING HARSH CHEMICALS

Avoid using harsh chemicals, abrasive cleaners, or steel wool pads as they can damage the surface of the tiles.

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### TIPS FOR SPECIFIC AREAS

#### BATHROOMS

Ensure proper ventilation to reduce moisture buildup. Wipe down tiles after showers to prevent mold and mildew growth.

#### KITCHEN

Clean spills immediately to prevent staining. Use backsplashes to protect the walls from grease and food splatters.

#### OUTDOOR AREAS

If using ceramic tiles outdoors, ensure they are rated for outdoor use. Clean regularly to remove dirt and debris, and protect from harsh weather conditions.

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By following these care and maintenance recommendations, you can ensure that your ceramic wall tiles remain beautiful and durable for years to come. Regular cleaning, prompt stain removal, and general maintenance will help maintain their pristine appearance and enhance the aesthetic appeal of your walls.