Chroma Finish
High Chroma, Fade Resistant Finishes
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Chroma Finish is **3 TIMES** more fade resistant than conventional finish

**Advantages**

- Offers greatly improved color retention compared to conventional finishes
- Only tinted in the factory to assure the highest product quality
- Reduces maintenance costs due to reduced need for painting
- 6 year anti-fade warranty*

* Contact BASF for a sample warranty

**DESCRIPTION**

High performance colorants integrated into 100% acrylic polymer finishes formulated with advanced technology for superior fade resistance, improved long-term performance and dirt pick-up resistance.

**USES**

1. Can be applied over EIFS, cement board stucco, conventional stucco, masonry or concrete substrate.
2. Provides a fade resistant, aesthetically pleasing surface color and texture.

**COLORS & TEXTURES**

Available in three textures: F1.0, M1.5 and R1.5. System designed specifically to accommodate custom matches to rich, high chroma accent colors that are typically prone to fading.

- **F1.0 Finish** - Utilizes uniformly-sized aggregates for a uniformly fine texture.
- **M1.5 Finish** - Provides a uniform "pebble" appearance.
- **R1.5 Finish** - Has a medium "worm-holed" or rilled appearance which is achieved due to the multiple aggregate sizes in the finish. The "worm-holed" look can be circular, random, vertical or horizontal.

**PACKAGING**

31.7 kg per 19-liter pail (70 lbs per 5-gallon pails). All Chroma Finishes must be factory tinted.

**COVERAGES**

Coverage rates may vary depending on the coating texture, porosity of substrate and application techniques.

- **F1.0 Finish**: 13 m² (140 ft²) per pail
- **M1.5 Finish**: 11.1 m² (120 ft²) per pail
- **R1.5 Finish**: 13 m² (140 ft²) per pail

**TECHNICAL INFORMATION**

For specific recommendations concerning all other applications, please consult the BASF Wall Systems Technical Services Department: Toll-free 800-221-9255 or our website, www.wallsystems.basf.com.

**MIXING**

1. Mix the contents of the factory-prepared CHROMA FINISH pail with a low speed drill and paddle mixer until thoroughly blended.
2. A small amount of clean, potable water may be added to adjust workability.
3. Additives are not permitted.
4. Close container when not in use.
5. Clean tools with soap and water immediately after use.

**SURFACE PREPARATION**

Substrates must be clean, dry, sound and free of loose material, releasing agents, paint, efflorescence, contaminants and other coatings. Verify substrate is flat, free of fins or irregularities greater than 6.4 mm in 3 m (1/4" in 10'). Fill cracks or voids with an appropriate, compatible material to provide a solid substrate prior to application. Ensure patching material is dry prior to application.

Note: The use of BASF Wall Systems TINTED PRIMER is required for CHROMA FINISH R1.5.
Concrete:
1. Allow concrete to cure prior to application.
2. Remove all projections, form lines and release agents.
3. Apply primer (if required) to cured concrete with a sprayer, 10 mm (3/8") nap roller or good-quality latex paint brush at a rate of approximately 3.6–6.1 m² per liter (150–250 ft² per gallon). Primer shall be dry to the touch before proceeding to the finish application.

Unit masonry:
1. Allow unit masonry to cure prior to application.
2. Remove all loose mortar and projections.
3. When needed, apply a leveling coat of base coat to provide a smooth surface and minimize the likelihood of mortar joint read through.
4. Apply primer (if required) to cured unit masonry with a sprayer, 10 mm (3/8") nap roller or good-quality latex paint brush at a rate of approximately 3.6–6.1 m² per liter (150–250 ft² per gallon). Primer shall be dry to the touch before proceeding to the finish application.

Stucco:
1. Allow stucco to cure prior to application.
2. Apply primer (if required) to cured stucco with a sprayer, 10 mm (3/8") nap roller or good-quality latex paint brush at a rate of approximately 3.6–6.1 m² per liter (150–250 ft² per gallon). Primer shall be dry to the touch before proceeding to the finish application.

EIFS / Cement Board Stucco:
1. Allow reinforced base coat to cure prior to application.
2. Apply primer (if required) to cured reinforced base coat with a sprayer, 10 mm (3/8") nap roller or good-quality latex paint brush at a rate of approximately 3.6–6.1 m² per liter (150–250 ft² per gallon). Primer shall be dry to the touch before proceeding to the finish application.

APPLICATION
1. Apply CHROMA FINISH directly to the substrate (primed as required) with a clean, stainless steel trowel.
2. Apply and level Finish during the same operation to minimum obtainable thickness consistent with uniform coverage.
3. Maintain a wet edge on CHROMA FINISH by applying and texturing continually over the wall surface.
4. Work CHROMA FINISH to corners, joints or other natural breaks and do not allow material to set up within an uninterrupted wall area.
5. Float CHROMA FINISH to achieve final texture.

LIMITATIONS
1. Does not bridge moving cracks.
2. Must be stored, applied and protected at least 24 hours after installation and until dry at 4 °C (40 °F) or more. Protect from extreme heat and direct sunlight.
3. Protect materials during transportation and installation to avoid physical damage.
4. Do not apply materials to frozen surfaces.
5. Appearance of R1.5 may vary if floated by different mechanics.
6. Shelf life is two years when unopened and stored as directed.
7. Select Finish Coat color with a light reflective value (LRV) of 20% or higher when applied over EIFS with EPS insulation. The use of dark colors (LRV less than 20%) is not recommended with EIFS that incorporate expanded polystyrene (EPS). EPS has a sustained service temperature limitation of approximately 160 °F (71 °C).
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