Tierra™
Acrylic Plaster Finish

DESCRIPTION:
- Acrylic polymer based, trowel applied plaster with visible pigmented particles in the finish.
- Create the look of a lightly mottled veneer plaster or a distressed old world plaster finish.
- May be accented using VariStain™ or Antiquing Gel to increase color variation.

USES:
Exterior or interior finish coat over:
- EIFS.
- Properly prepared masonry, stucco, and concrete surfaces.
- Interior application over drywall, plaster, or properly prepared masonry or concrete.

COLORS:
- Standard colors: refer to Variance color chart.
- Custom colors available upon request.

COMPOSITION:
- VOC content: <20 grams per liter
COVERAGE:
Coverage will vary depending on surface conditions and thickness of application.
- 175-200 ft² (16-18.6 m²) per 5 gallon pail (two coats).

CONTAINER:
60 lbs (27.2 kg) net weight in 5 gal. plastic pails.
8 lbs (3.6 kg) net weight in 1 gal. plastic pails.
- Storage: Protect from direct sunlight and keep from freezing.
- Do not stack 5 gal pails more than 3 pails high.
- Shelf life: One year when stored in a cool dry location.

DRIYING TIME:
- Avoid rain, heavy traffic or cleaning for 48 hours after application.
- 3-4 hours under normal conditions.
- High humidity and low temperatures extend drying time.

CLEAN-UP:
- Clean tools frequently using clean water prior to drying.

SURFACE PREPARATION:
- Substrate must be clean, dry, sound and free of contaminants such as dust, oil, mildew and efflorescence.
- Ambient conditions, substrate and the product itself must be at a minimum of 40°F during application and at least 48 hours following.
- Cement and gypsum plaster basecoats should cure for at least 7 days before finishing.

Masonry:
- Concrete and plaster surfaces should be thoroughly cured before application. Poured concrete surfaces should cure for at least 28 days before finishing.
- Remove all form release agents and efflorescence and grind down form lines or other irregularities which protrude from the plane of the substrate. Pre-fill any depressions in the plane of the substrate such as holes and cracks using Variance™ Plaster Mix or an approved patching/joint compound.

New Drywall:
- Treat all joints, fasteners and accessories with the industry standard joint treatment system for attaining a Level 3 finish as outlined in Gypsum Association publication GA-214, “Recommended Levels of Gypsum Board Finish”.

MIXING:
- Thoroughly mix with a paddle mixer to a homogeneous consistency at low rpm.
- Up to 8 ounces of clean, potable water may be added to adjust viscosity. Close container when not in use.

APPLICATION:
- Parex USA recommends that the project owner or designer approve a job site mock-up of the application of this product. The mock-up should demonstrate the product’s appearance under the conditions given by the project specification(s).
- Periodically, as the work progresses, evaluate it from a distance to ensure the desired effect is being produced across the entire surface.
- If installing in a wet environment, the Variance High Humidity Wet Areas specification must be followed.
- Prime surface using VariPrime™ and allow to dry completely.
- Apply Tierra™ with a standard stainless steel plaster trowel. Apply the first coat of Tierra™ using decorative, multi-directional trowel strokes. Achieve the bulk of the filling/leveling the substrate will require with the first coat. Allow the first coat to dry completely before proceeding.
- Inspect the first coat and scrape or sand down high trowel marks and lap lines before proceeding.
- Apply the second coat of Tierra™ using decorative, multi-directional trowel strokes at a thickness of the largest aggregate that is in the material. The second coat of Tierra™ may be applied in a full coverage coat to create a smooth plaster finish. Alternatively the second may be textured, leaving some of the first coat exposed in areas creating a distressed old world appearance.
- Allow the second coat to dry slightly and then water-trowel. This is achieved by applying a film of water from a spray bottle set to a fine mist to the surface and then troweling smooth. VariStain™ may be used during the water-trowel process to increase color variation.
- After the second coat has dried to increase color variation.
- This Product Data Sheet has been prepared in good faith on the basis of information available at the time of publication. It is intended to provide users with information about the guidelines for the proper use and application of the covered product(s) under normal environmental and working conditions. Because each project is different, Parex USA, Inc. cannot be responsible for the consequences of variations in such conditions, or for unforeseen conditions.