# BELVEDERE STONE

# **Exterior Stone Installation**

#### Substrate Types

- 1 Sand cement screed less than 2% (CM) moisture content
- 2 Concrete sub-base less than 2% (CM) moisture content
- 3 Compacted hardcore for sand and cement fixing only Mot type 1 at a suitable depth for intended use

#### Standards

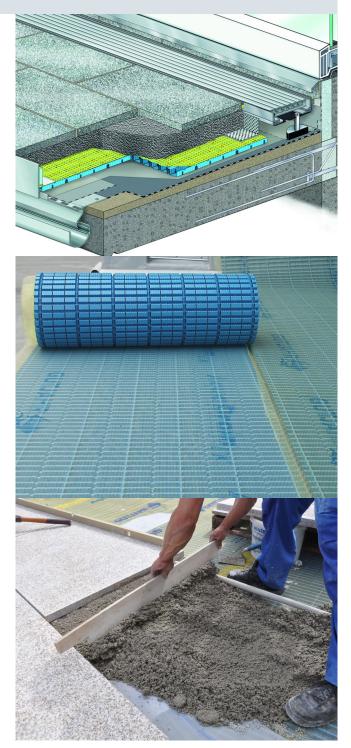
- 1 Patios and terraces must have a minimum fall 1:80
- Depth of concrete minimum 75mm for paths and terraces, driveways minimum 100mm for cars and a minimum of 200mm for commercial vehicles
- 3 Depth of compact Type 1 sub-base minimum 75mm well compacted for paths and patios

# Fixing Method

- 1 Adhesive method to be used for load bearing concrete substrates
- 2 Sand cement plus slurry use a 50-75mm bed of sand and cement with an adhesive slurry applied to the back of the stone
- 3 Drainage mortar prepacked fixing mortar to effectively manage both ground and surface water

# Drainage & Waterproofing

Install drainage membranes to effectively manage the effect of rainwater on stone. Waterproof concrete bases to reduce the impact of groundwater rising through the structure.



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Fix tiles using either BAL Rapid Flex One, BAL Pourable One or BAL Flex One. Solid bed fixing method with 100% coverage, achieved by applying adhesive to substrate and back of stone.

#### **Movement Joints**

Install preformed or site filled movement joints with a minimum width of 6mm at 5-8m intervals, around all perimeters and in line with all structural movement joints as described in BS 5385-3:2014.

# Drying

Leave tiling to dry before grouting or moisture will be trapped below the stone and lead to discolouration and efflorescence.

## Grout

Work in small areas, washing off excess grout before it dries on the surface of the stone as work progresses. Remove all grout residue with subsequent washes.

# Builder's Clean

Spray EcoProTec Natural Stone Aftercare Cleaner diluted 1 :20 with warm water, leave for 5 minutes and rinse.

# Sealing

Spray EcoProTec Natural Stone Sealer and leave to dry, repeat until saturation is achieved.

# Maintenance & Cleaning

Spray EcoProTec Natural Stone Aftercare Cleaner diluted 1 :20 with warm water, leave for 5 minutes and rinse.

Please note: This is a simplified step by step guide to stone installation and is not a fixing specification.

Contact Belvedere Stone to receive a complete warranty-backed fixing specification for your project.



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