

RONDA THE ROCK



RONDA is a user-friendly product that creates the most natural rock finishes for interior and exterior projects. It is extremely easy to apply with minimal weight, making it suitable for any surface job. The versatile and engineered formula helps to achieve a crack-free, easy-to-maintain wall. Once applied and finished with artistic flair, RONDA provides excellent, eye-catching results. Designers and applicators find it convenient to carve and shape, making it an easy choice for stylish wall finishes.



Key Features:

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- Ultra-lightweight, cement-based formulation
- Suitable for plasterboards without adding structural load
- Two-part system: Base Coat and Top Coat
- Crack-resistant when used with embedded alkaline mesh
- Compatible with a wide range of surfaces including brick, block, and masonry
- Easy to apply by trowel or gloved hand
- Allows shaping, carving, or texturing while wet or semi-dry
- Water-based
- Low VOC

Application Guide:



Bringing Together Strength, Lightness, and Versatility

RONDA is a cement-based, ultra-lightweight surface coating specially formulated for plasterboard applications, offering excellent performance without adding excessive weight to walls, making it safe and practical for modern interiors. Its lightweight composition makes it easy to apply, while still providing strong adhesion and a solid, durable finish.

RONDA is a two-part system, consisting of a Base Coat and Top Coat. The Base Coat is essential for building a firm bond with the surface, and it is designed to be used with alkali-resistant mesh, which must always be embedded during application. This mesh integration is critical to prevent cracking and delamination, especially on flexible or movement-prone surfaces.

While optimised for plasterboard, RONDA can also be applied to a wide range of other substrates, including brick, block, and masonry surfaces, provided that proper surface preparation is carried out. The Top Coat completes the system, offering a smooth, refined finish suitable for further tinting or sealing, depending on the final design intent.

RONDA allows professionals to achieve a consistent and high-quality surface across different substrates, ensuring long-term performance and aesthetic appeal in both residential and commercial spaces.

Limitation:

RONDA is not suitable for high-wear areas, wet zones, or surfaces exposed to immersion. For best results, apply and allow to dry at temperatures between 10°C and 30°C.

surface preparation

For previously painted surfaces dedust and clean with some sugar soap followed by clean water. The surface must be dry with no sign of moisture (WME<15%). For surfaces with cracks or holes, repair with appropriate filler. If primer required, apply one coat of Chemro Prima.

If surface is very nonstick or coated with solvent based paint, sand the surface, then apply one coat of Chemro Prima as primer.

Unpainted Surfaces:

For surfaces with cracks or holes, repair with appropriate filler. The surface must be dry with no sign of moisture (WME<15%). All patch works, joints, nails and other precautions must be considered with the manufacturers installation protocols.

For plasterboard, FCS panel and bare timber apply one coat of Chemro Prima. For FCS panel and bare timber apply one coat of Chemro Prima.

White set (set plaster) must be coated first with a proper oil-based primer, then sand and apply one coat of Chemro Prima.

All other surfaces and panels must be prepared, primed and treated with proper primers and compounds prior to RONDA application.



Additional Information

- Finish: Customisable – from sculpted matte to smooth textured
- No. of Coats: Typically two (Base Coat + Top Coat)
- Toxicity: Not classified as toxic or Dangerous Goods
- Coverage: Approx. 2–3 m²/kg per 15L, depending on thickness and substrate

Application Methods – RONDA

Before you begin, you **MUST** test your chosen colour and application method on a large board. A sample area of 400 × 400 mm is recommended to assess finish and colour accuracy. Please refer to the disclaimer regarding possible colour variation.

Base Coat Application:

RONDA Base Coat must be applied on properly prepared surfaces using a steel trowel, with alkaline-resistant mesh embedded into the wet base coat to ensure durability and to prevent cracking or delamination.

To prepare the Base Coat, pour the entire powder into all of the supplied liquid and mix using a mechanical mixer for at least 5 minutes until a smooth, lump-free texture is achieved.

Apply the base coat using a steel trowel in an even layer. Embed the mesh fully into the wet layer, ensuring it is covered and flat without folds or air bubbles.

Allow the base coat to dry for a minimum of 4 hours at 25°C. In cooler or humid conditions, additional drying time will be required. Ensure the surface is dry and hard to the touch before proceeding with the top coat application.

Top Coat Application:

To mix the Top Coat, follow the same method as the base: combine all powder with all liquid and mix mechanically for 5 minutes until smooth and consistent.

The Top Coat can be applied using either a steel trowel or gloved hands, depending on the desired texture. Apply the product to the wall at a thickness that allows it to stay in place without sagging or falling.

If shaping or smoothing is required while the product is still wet, lightly spray clean water onto the surface and use a suitable tool to shape or refine the texture. A dry roller may also be used after misting the surface to help smooth or blend areas.

If carving or patterning is desired, allow RONDA to dry until it reaches a firm, carveable state — this may take a full day or more, depending on temperature and humidity.

Finishing:

Once the desired finish is achieved and fully dry, a suitable paint or protective coating can be applied to seal, colour, and protect the RONDA surface. Choose a finish appropriate for the environment and expected wear level.

Precautions and Limitations – RONDA

RONDA is not suitable for wet areas, immersion, or high-wear environments. It is designed for interior/exterior use on properly prepared surfaces. The best application and drying temperatures are between 10°C and 30°C. All surface preparation and application should follow AS2311 standards for coating application.

RONDA is non-hazardous and not classified as Dangerous Goods (DG). It does not require any special labelling under current regulations. A Safety Data Sheet (SDS) is available on request.

RONDA should be stored in its original, unopened packaging for up to 12 months. For best results, store the product at a consistent temperature between 5°C and 30°C, protected from frost, moisture, and direct sunlight. Do not store in conditions where temperature fluctuates excessively. Keep out of reach of children and untrained users.

Pack Size:

15L, 4L

Important Note:

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Chemro Pty Ltd accepts no responsibility for variations in colour, finish, or texture between batches, pails, or sample materials. Minor differences in shade, sheen, or surface feel are a natural characteristic of mineral-based products and hand-applied finishes, and are to be expected.

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