## WHAT DO I NEED TO THINK ABOUT BEFORE I START?

## PREPARATION | What to consider before starting

- A | Clear the room and cover floors
- B | Clean down paint work and strip existing paper if necessary
- C | Check wall condition, do they need some attention, filling or rubbing down?
- D | Select your wallpaper, take into account scale and finish
- E | Consider a feature wall for impact
- F | How many rolls do you need

# MEASURING | Calculate how much paper you need

Standard wallpaper comes 53cm wide and 10 metres long, you can generally gethree drops of paper from each roll.

To calculate how many rolls you need, measure in metres around the walls of the room, don't deduct anything for doors or windows, as this will help with your cutting waste, then measure the height of the room and refer to the grids below:

#### Distance around the room | 8–19 metres

		Distance around the room (metres)								
		8.53	9.75	10.97	12.19	13.41	14.63	15.85	17.07	18.29
Wall height (metres)	2.13-2.29	5	5	6	6	7	7	8	8	9
	2.30-2.44	5	5	6	6	7	7	8	9	9
	2.45-2.59	5	6	6	7	7	8	8	9	9
	2.60-2.74	5	6	6	7	7	8	9	9	10
	2.75-2.90	5	6	7	7	8	8	9	10	10
	2.91-3.05	6	6	7	8	8	9	10	10	11
	3.06-3.20	6	6	7	8	9	9	10	11	11

### Distance around the room | 19-30 metres

		Distance around the room (metres)								
		19.51	20.73	21.95	23.16	24.38	25.60	26.82	28.04	29.26
Wall height (metres)	2.13-2.29	9	10	10	10	11	11	13	13	14
	2.30-2.44	10	10	11	11	12	13	14	14	15
	2.45-2.59	10	10	12	12	13	14	15	15	15
	2.60-2.74	10	11	13	13	14	14	15	15	16
	2.75-2.90	11	11	13	14	14	15	15	16	17
	2.91-3.05	11	12	14	14	15	16	16	17	17
	3.06-3.20	12	13	14	15	16	16	17	18	18

# HOW TO FIT | STEP BY STEP







Clean off any loose paint, plaster or old paper and fill any cracks, then give the walls a good clean down with Decorators Cleaner.

The benefits of lining the walls: Where your walls are a little bumpy or if your paper is quite thin you should think about lining your walls, it is inexpensive and ensures a smoother finish.

B | IF DESIRED - Lining your walls Lining paper is pasted and hung in the same wall as your wallpaper, but you need to leave it 12 hours to dry before beginning to hang the actual wallpaper. It is advisable to hang the lining paper horizontally so that the seams don't fall in the same place.





## A | Cutting the wallpaper

Start by measuring the height of the room in a number of places to ensure that the height of the room doesn't vary, then add 10cm to each drop to allow for cutting.

B | Have a look at where the pattern repeats in relation to the top of the wall and make an allowance for it.
Unroll the paper on the pasting table, pattern side down and draw a straight line across the width at the measured height. Using wallpaper scissors cut the first length of paper.





## A | Pasting & folding the wallpaper

Mix the paste to the manufacturers instructions, leave to one side, lay the cut drop pattern side down so that the end hangs over the table, load the pasting brush with paste and start to paste along the centre of the roll, working the paste along the edges in a herringbone pattern. (Between pasting ensure you wipe the table down with a clean damp cloth).

B | When the drop is half covered in paste, fold it over on to itself, be careful not to crease it and continue pasting but folding as you go.



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#### A | Hanging the wallpaper

Lift the paper up to the wall, position the first length at the top line of the ceiling, leaving about 5cm of surplus paper above the wall for trimming. Hold the paper at both side and don't let it drop as it could rip the paper. Position the right hand edge down the wall, smooth with a brush as you go down the wall, working from the centre to the edge, try to avoid getting paste on the surface of the paper (if you do lightly wipe off with a damp sponge).

B | Crease the top and bottom of the paper and trim the excess paper off the wall with your sharp scissors, brush the edges into place.

TIP | How can I match each drop of the wallpaper on the wall?

Once the first drop of paper is on the wall you should butt the next length against the previous one matching the pattern at eye level, when several pieces have been hung, run the seam roller down the joins to ensure your joins are flat.