

# Søuld + Felt Wall Installation Instructions

## Direct Glue Attachment

These installation recommendations consist of common-sense practices for direct glue panel products. Installers should rely upon their own professional experience and understanding of their unique requirements to be the best guide to a successful installation. Normal variations in the thickness of the Søuld Eelgrass in addition wall surface variation will result in panels that are at different distances off the wall surface and may result in alignment issues with adjacent panels. These issues are not considered a defect and planning should be taken to distribute these variations in a manner that is aesthetically pleasing.

### Tools Needed

Caulking gun

Bar level or laser level

Carpenter's square or Long, metal straight edge

Heavy-duty construction adhesive (such as Loctite Power Grab, Liquid Nails, LN-903, and Loctite Express)

Utility knife (such as Olfa or similar) with extra blades or Table saw with fine tooth blade (for trimming panels)

Utility knife (such as Olfa or similar) with extra blades or Oscillating multi-tool with fine tooth blade (for device cut-outs)

Weighted roller

It is recommended that a cleaning solution be available to remove any adhesive that transfers onto the face of the wool felt. Adhesive must be removed with the solution before it has dried.

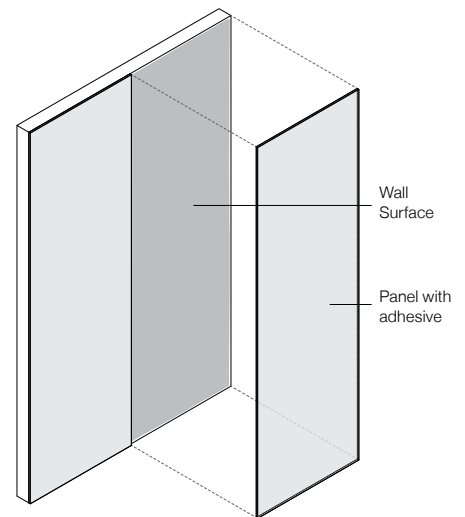
### Components Provided

Panels (as ordered)

Shop Drawings

### Installation Instructions

- 1 Handle the Panels individually and with clean hands to reduce the possibility of damage during installation. Move Panels with care as the edges are fragile.
- 2 Inspect the products. Subtle color and texture variations even within the same Panel are a normal aspect of this product. It is advisable to inspect for these irregularities and plan the layout accordingly making sure to evenly disperse any minor color variation. In the case of product defect or damage in transit, FilzFelt must be notified within five (5) business days. FilzFelt cannot accept a return or warranty claim on any material that has been installed.
- 3 Allow Panels to acclimate to the installation environment. After the shipping crates have been opened, the Panels should be laid out individually on a flat, solid surface for at least forty-eight (48) hours.
- 4 While the Panels are becoming acclimatized, clean the work surface. It should be smooth, dry and dust free to allow the best possible adhesion. A Level 4 Finish wall preparation is sufficient.
- 5 Use the bar level or laser level to determine a base level line for the Panels. This line will set the level for the entire installation so it is most important to get this right.
- 6 Refer to Shop Drawings for Panel placement and orientation. Plan out the pattern before adhering the Panels and make any adjustments to ensure any minor color variation is dispersed throughout the wall.
- 7 Prepare a cleaning solution to remove any adhesive that transfers onto the face of the wool felt. A mild enzyme-based detergent (such as Tide Free) is recommended. Create a dilute solution by adding three (3) parts water to one (1) part detergent in a clean container. To remove adhesive before it has dried, use a clean paper towel to gently blot the detergent into area. Press and release, press and release. Using a separate container of clear water, use clean, moist paper towels to blot more water into the stain. Press and release, press and release. Finish by blotting firmly with clean, dry paper towels until the area is nearly dry. Avoid applying any solution on the Søuld Eelgrass substrate. **IMPORTANT:** Adhesive must be removed before dry. Avoid aggressive rubbing, as this can continue the felting process and change the surface appearance of the felt.



- 8 Using a standard caulking gun apply 1/4" (6mm) beads of adhesive the length of the Panel 2" (5 cm) from the edges, spaced 4" (10.2 cm) apart. Press the Panel into place and apply firm pressure using a weighted roller to ensure good adhesion.
- 9 Allow the first Panel to set up for approximately twenty (20) minutes before installing adjacent Panels.
- 10 To cut custom Panel sizes, use a sharp utility knife and long straight edge or table saw with fine tooth blade. If cutting with a utility knife, make a first pass with light pressure to score the felt. Next, make one (1) to two (2) additional passes using firm pressure and making sure the blade is plumb. **IMPORTANT:** Always use a sharp blade and change blades frequently.
- 11 To cut device cut-outs, use a sharp utility knife and carpenter's square or oscillating multi-tool with fine tooth blade. If cutting with a utility knife, make a first pass with light pressure to score the Panel. Next, make one (1) to two (2) additional passes using firm pressure and making sure the blade is plumb. **IMPORTANT:** Always use a sharp blade and change blades frequently.

Devices may then be either wall-mounted or panel-mounted as specified by the client. All cutting and finishing of the cut-outs and installation of electrical devices are the responsibility of the purchaser.

- 12 Move across the row following the above procedure, making sure that the Panels are butted firmly against one another. Continue checking level throughout installation. Repeat moving up the wall until installation is complete.

## Cleaning Instructions

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Wool Felt: Like any natural fiber, a minimal approach should always be taken to clean wool felt since the cleaning method could potentially do more harm than the soiling or stain. The cleaning approach should be (1) dust with a lint roller or (2) vacuum with a clean, soft brush.

Sould Eelgrass: Like any natural fiber, a minimal approach should always be taken to clean eelgrass since the cleaning method could potentially do more harm than the soiling or stain. The cleaning approach should be (1) dust with a lint roller or (2) vacuum with a clean, soft brush.

**IMPORTANT:** Always test any cleaning method in an inconspicuous area before attempting general cleaning.

For complete instructions, refer to the Product Maintenance + Cleaning Guide at [filzfelt.com/cleaning-guide](http://filzfelt.com/cleaning-guide).