

Sustainability Information

This product is considered “LEED-friendly” because it has components that can contribute to credit points in accordance with the LEED V4.1 rating system.

Please keep in mind, however, that tile is made of naturally occurring materials and is an inherently healthy choice for green building practices, regardless of the components listed above. In fact, the U.S. Green Building Council (USGBC), with regard to LEED credit for tile, states: Mineral-based finish flooring products such as tile, masonry, terrazzo, and cut stone without integral organic-based coatings and sealants and unfinished/untreated solid wood flooring qualify for credit without any IAQ testing requirements. As such, the vast majority of our tile products could be suitable for your LEED project, and almost all are suitable for general green building practices.



Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) Friendly refers to products, materials, practices, or design strategies that align well with the criteria, which is one of the most widely used green building certification programs worldwide. Products noted can help to earn points across various categories like energy efficiency, water conservation, material sustainability, and indoor environmental quality. It's a term often used in the building industry to denote alignment with green building practices as defined by LEED standards.



Recycled Content refers to the proportion of recycled materials that are used in the manufacturing of tile products. This concept is a key aspect of sustainable building practices. In tile manufacturing it signifies the use of pre-consumer or post-consumer materials in the production process. This approach supports environmental sustainability by reducing waste, conserving natural resources, and decreasing energy consumption, while still delivering high-quality and functional products.

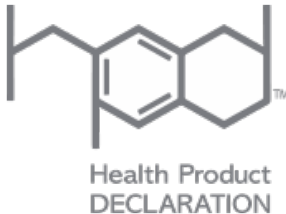


GreenGuard Certification is a globally recognized product certification program that ensures that products meet stringent chemical emissions standards, contributing to the creation of healthier indoor environments. It's particularly relevant in industries like building materials. It is a mark of assurance that a product has met some of the world's most rigorous standards for low emissions of VOCs and other pollutants, contributing to the creation of healthier indoor environments.





Green Squared Certified is a comprehensive, multi-attribute sustainability certification specifically for tiles and tile installation materials. Developed by the Tile Council of North America (TCNA), it's the first standard in the world to assess the environmental and social impact of ceramic tiles, glass tiles, and tile installation materials. It's not just focused on one aspect of sustainability, but rather encompasses a variety of factors including product manufacturing, long-term value, corporate governance, and innovation.



A Health Product Declaration (HPD) is a standardized tool used in the building industry to report the material contents of building products and their health effects. This tool is particularly important for architects, builders, and consumers who are focused on creating healthy, sustainable environments. It provides detailed information about the chemical ingredients in a product and their potential health impacts.



The Declare Label - Red List Free Declare Label, is a transparency tool and eco-label in the building industry. It focuses on promoting the use of materials that are free from harmful chemicals and toxins. Products that achieve "Red List Free" status do not contain any of the chemicals or elements listed on the International Living Future Institute's (ILFI) Red List. These include items, such as asbestos, known to pose serious health risks.



Mindful Materials (mM) is a database and platform aimed at increasing transparency in the building materials industry by providing easy access to information on the human health and environmental impacts of products. It serves as a resource for architects, designers, and building professionals, aiding them in making informed and sustainable material choices; with a focus on sustainability and health.



An Environmental Product Declaration (EPD) is a standardized document that provides detailed information about the environmental impact of a product throughout its lifecycle. It's a key tool in assessing the sustainability of products, especially in sectors like construction and manufacturing. It is a tool for measuring and communicating the environmental performance of a product across its entire lifecycle.



Carbon Neutral refers to achieving a net-zero carbon footprint, meaning that any carbon dioxide emissions produced are balanced out by an equivalent amount of carbon dioxide being removed from the atmosphere or offset through various means. This concept is crucial in the context of climate change mitigation. A tile collection can be carbon-neutral by ensuring that the total amount of greenhouse gases (GHGs) emitted during its production, distribution, and disposal is effectively offset or neutralized through various strategies.



Teak



Chestnut

