

# CHAPTER 8 - EUROPA ARTE™ OUTLINE

# Introduction

Chapter 8 Europa Arte<sup>™</sup> is a diverse line of European-made ceramics and porcelains. As the word "Arte" in Europa Arte implies, the themes in this collection include a wide array of mediums: clay, paints, and textiles; as well as points of inspiration by which artisans would create their masterpieces. Together, these components make up the motif of this colorful and multifaceted chapter.

# **Key Features**

Chapter 8 can be separated into two general categories: ceramic and porcelain. All facets of the sub-series found in this line were sourced from Spain and Italy respectively.

#### • Ceramic Products

- Pennello Ceramic Series (Italy)
  - 4" x 16" ceramic field tiles have a subtle texture applied to them that simulates the delicate brushstrokes a painter would impress onto their work.
  - A balance of texture and color was sought to not overpower any of the six field colors with texture or vice versa.
  - 4" x 16" field tiles are available in six colorways: Cotone, Creama, Latte, Delfino, Minta, and Brezza.
  - Corresponding 1/2" x 7-7/8" ramp edges (bullnose sticks) are available in all six field colors to serve as finishing pieces for exposed tile edges.
- Artista Ceramic Series (Spain)
  - 3" x 6" ceramic field tiles designed to have a rich handmade texture representative of the soft indentations made by an artisan hand pressing clay into its desired final form.
  - 3" x 6" field tiles are available in five colorways: Paloma, Pardo, Rica, Agave, and Carmelo.
  - Corresponding 5/8" x 11 3/4" ramp edges (bullnose sticks) are available in all five field colors to serve as a finishing piece for exposed tile edges.
  - Single complementary porcelain Artista Octagon mosaic available in Blanco (white) is suitable for: interior floors, shower floors, shower walls and interior wall applications.

# • Porcelain Products

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- Acquerello Porcelain Series (Italy):
  - 6" x 6" Porcelain field tiles available in two distinct options: Solids and Patterns.
  - Solids: 6" x 6" porcelain fields are available in four color options, Fresco, Urban, Cielo and Giardino. Care was taken to ensure the solids maintained a level of character typically found in aged art pieces. One of the main points of emphasis for Acquerello was to maintain an effect of gently laid watercolors.
  - Patterns: In total there are nine available options for the Acquerello Patterns comprised of three patterns in three colorways. Patterns available are: Palermo, Florence, and Verona. Each is available in: Urbano, Cielo and Giardino colors.
  - Durable porcelain construction makes them suitable for both floor and wall applications.
  - Corresponding 5/8" x 5-7/8" domes (pencil mouldings) are available in all four field colors to serve as a trim, transition or finishing pieces.
  - Corresponding 1/2" x 5-7/8" ramp edges (bullnose sticks) are available in all four field colors to serve as finishing pieces for exposed tile edges.

- Fabrica Porcelain Series (Spain):
  - 3" x 17" porcelain field tiles carry a dynamic, true-to-life textile texture.
  - Available in four colorways: Muslin, Hemp, Chenille, and Tweed.
  - These field options are sure to easily find their way into any interior motif in need of a soft textile texture alongside a durable porcelain construction.
  - Durable porcelain construction makes them suitable for both floor and wall applications.
  - There are no trim pieces available for this series. Mitering of corners or tile edging systems
    are recommended for turning corners or finishing the exposed edges of a tile installation.

# Application

Please reference the Application Chart for Chapter 8 on our website, JeffreyCourt.com, for more details on recommended applications.

#### Testing

Product specifications are listed on each product specific web page on JeffreyCourt.com. If available, testing results for applicable products: ceramic, glass, and porcelain, can be found on the back of the respective chapter catalog for easy reference.

#### **Installation Tips**

- Blending and Shade Variation
  - To achieve your desired look, Jeffrey Court recommends that you inspect and confirm the tile and layout prior to installation. Installation of tile constitutes acceptance.
- Rating
  - For specific item-by-item shade variation rating, please reference each product specific web
    page on JeffreyCourt.com.
- Setting Materials, Sealers and Grouts
  - A high-quality white thinset meeting ANSI 118.4 or 118.11 is recommended for best installation results. Always check with setting material manufacturer to ensure suitability of material in setting tiles. A grey mortar, or mastic or adhesives could stain or alter the color of the product.
  - As per the Tile Council of North America (TCNA): "For cementitious grout, joints smaller than 1/8" generally should only be grouted with unsanded grout, and joints of 1/8" and larger should only be grouted with sanded grout."
  - Grout color is part of the design process and considerations must be made. A grout choice closest to the color and hue of the tile being grouted can be considered the safest choice.
- Cutting
  - A professional grade wet saw outfitted with a high-quality diamond blade designed for cutting tiles is recommended. Always cut tiles with the face up.

#### Merchandising

The marketing and merchandising of this collection is supported by montage boards, touch boards, and A&D sample cards which aid in displaying the full product line. All of these point-of-purchase materials are accompanied by the Chapter 8 Europa Arte catalog. Showroom installation and loose sample pieces can also be ordered at a discounted price.

Visit the Jeffrey Court website, JeffreyCourt.com, to gain inspiration on the design possibilities offered with Chapter 8 Europa Arte.