CHAPTER 11 – ALIGN®
OUTLINE

Introduction
Jeffrey Court’s design objective with Chapter 11 Align® was to bring clean lines and shapes to the collection. This is synonymous with the word align, defined as bringing components into desirable coordination, thus capturing the essence of Chapter 11 perfectly.

Key Features

- **Colors**
  - Offered in Chapter 11 are three beautiful natural stones: Two Portuguese limestones named Pale and Shadow, as well as one grey Turkish marble named Suede. All Chapter 11 stone finishes are honed to a smooth satin surface which complement the simple design elements.

- **Field Tiles**
  - The four field tiles sizes are offered in linear 3” x 10” and 6” x 18” bar tiles, a classic 8” hexagon and, a 6” x 7 15/16” diamond. As with all of our collections, Chapter 11 Align has all of the necessary decorative tiles, mouldings, and domes to make any installation a resounding success.

- **Mosaics**
  - Align features nine distinctive mosaic patterns assembled in a clean, minimalist style. Three patterns (Convex, Herringbone Styx, and Trax) come in monochromatic colors while the remaining six patterns (Harmony, Hex Mixed Medley, Jax, Merge, Stax, and Woven) are offered in beautiful, multicolored blends.

- **Decorative Elements**
  - One of the most stunning features of Chapter 11 is its Drawn Stone elements. Boasting a total of four patterns, Drawn Stone utilizes the latest imaging and patented UV curing process to lock images on our diamond and hex Pale limestone, making them true pieces of art.

- **Mouldings**
  - Three moulding pieces are offered in this collection: a 1 7/8” x 11 7/8” crown, 1 7/8” x 11 7/8” rex crown, and a 3/4” x 11 7/8” dome.

Application
Please reference the Application Chart for Chapter 11 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.

Due to the ever-changing nature of stone products, Jeffrey Court does not test natural stone products.
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.
  - For natural stone collections, it is highly recommended to blend products from multiple cartons to ensure a proper uniform look. All issues pertaining to shade variation should be addressed prior to installation.

- **Rating**
  - For specific item-by-item shade variation rating, please reference each product specific web page on JeffreyCourt.com.

- **Setting Materials 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.
  - A natural look penetrating sealer is recommended and should be used before and after grouting. Sealing before grouting will ease the cleaning process and will reduce the possibility of staining from colored grouts. Sealing after grouting will ensure that both the grout and natural stone are protected from daily use. It is recommended that the sealer manufacturer’s recommended maintenance regimen be followed as part of an ongoing care during the lifetime 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.
  - Please see enclosed Drawn Stones Care & Maintenance Instructions for complete product details, procedures, and precautions.
    
    *Urethane grout was used on the touch boards for this collection. Pre-sealing any matte/frosted tiles prior to grouting with urethane grout is required. Suggested recommendation: Aqua Mix® Grout Release.*

- **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 sample cards which aid in displaying the full product line. All these point of purchase materials are accompanied by the Chapter 11 Align 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 11 Align.
Jeffrey Court’s Drawn Stone® products are intended to be used on interior walls and low traffic residential floors. Drawn Stone products are NOT intended to be used in submerged areas or steam showers. Please carefully read product advisement below regarding using tiles in wet areas.* Drawn Stone’s finishes are designed to be durable, but a regular maintenance regimen, including re-sealing, is recommended to ensure the longevity of the product.

**Inspection on Receipt of Product is Required**

All natural stones inherently have shading and color differences from piece to piece. Confirm that all products have been inspected and approved before installation begins. Store tiles in a dry area where temperatures do not dip below freezing. Installation of the product signifies acceptance.

**Sealing**

Seal before and after grouting with a high-quality penetrating sealer (for example, Miracle Seal 511 Porous Plus, Stain Oceancare Penetrating Sealer, or Aquamix® Sealer’s Choice® Gold). We recommend that the tiles be sealed even if they are installed without grout. Test sealers first on a small sample of tile. Sealing as part of a regular maintenance regimen is also highly recommended. Please see sealer manufacturers for further guidance on sealer re-application periods.

**Thinset**

Jeffery Court recommends installing with a high-quality white thinset.

**Cutting**

Drawn Stone products come pre-sealed as part of the manufacturing process. If the material needs to be cut on jobsite, a wet saw can be used, however, wet saw cut materials must be given time to dry and must be resealed on all cut edges before installation.

**Tools & Grouting**

You should not use metal spatulas, trowels, or other such tools. Instead use tools that are rubber, plastic or some combination of polyurethane/rubber/plastic to avoid scratching the product during installation.

Non-sanded grouts are recommended for use with Drawn Stone products. However, sanded grout can be used with care.

*Advisory regarding installing natural stone products in wet areas:*

Stone is VERY porous. Drawn Stone tiles are highly water resistant but are not waterproof. Drawn Stone tiles are sealed on all 6 sides, if water seeps in from the sides or back, it will try to come out the front and become trapped between our sealer and the stone, forming blisters. For this reason, Drawn Stone tiles are not recommended for heavy wet use areas (i.e. shower pan floors, steam showers). Do not use in any application where the tiles will be submerged in water.
If properly sealed, tiles may be used in areas with light moisture (where the product will be splashed but will not remain wet for extended periods of time). Examples of light moisture areas are tub surrounds or shower walls. A high-quality waterproofing system such as the ones manufactured by Schluter® and LATICRETE® MUST be used.

If installing on shower wall, keep at least 12 inches above shower floor and not on the plumbing wall. It is especially important to re-seal on a regular basis. Follow the maintenance schedule recommended by sealer manufacturer. Test first on a small sample of tile.

Countertops

We do not recommend installation of Drawn Stone products on countertops. If tile is being installed behind a stove, allow for at least 6 inches of distance from flame.

Freeze/Thaw Conditions

Drawn Stone products have not been tested for use in temperatures below freezing.

Moisture Barrier Disclaimer

When stone is installed on a concrete slab at ground level, it is the responsibility of the buyer and installer to ensure that a proper moisture barrier is in place prior to installation.

Continuing Care and Cleaning Recommendations for Natural Stone

Stone is a natural product, and care should be taken to protect it from harsh abrasive cleaners and abrasive cleaning tools. Cleaning can be done with a soft cloth, warm water, and non-acidic soap. Avoid any care products that contain abrasives, phosphoric acids, scouring powders, chlorine, acetone or glycolic acids, and avoid brushes and scouring pads. Never use an electric scrubber/buffer, any rotary tools, etc. Follow sealer maintenance schedule recommended by sealer manufacturer.

As part of a normal maintenance procedure, all Drawn Stone products require re-sealing on a regular basis. Follow maintenance schedule recommended by sealer manufacturer. Jeffrey Court Inc. does not warranty and will not be responsible for any claims regarding sealers.