

How to install an acrylic splashback with a flawless finish



Get a flawless finish with our quick and easy guide

Acrylic is an excellent material for wall mounting, particularly for applications such as splashbacks, provided that the appropriate adhesives and tools are used. One common consideration with acrylic is that lighter colours may allow more light to pass through than darker shades. If not installed correctly, this can result in underlying materials - such as silicone sealant or the wall surface (e.g. brickwork) - becoming visible through the acrylic.

To achieve a flawless finish, it is essential to use the correct adhesive and tools, all of which are available on our [website](#). This quick and easy guide is designed for those with minimal DIY experience, making installation straightforward and hassle-free.

What you'll need to get started

- [Acrylic - cut to size](#)
- [Soudall Fix ALL Wall & Floor adhesive](#)
- [Faithfull 3mm notched adhesive trowel](#)
- White paint or primer (optional)
- Pencil or masking tape
- Spirit level
- Damp sponge or scraper

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Step 1: Clean the wall

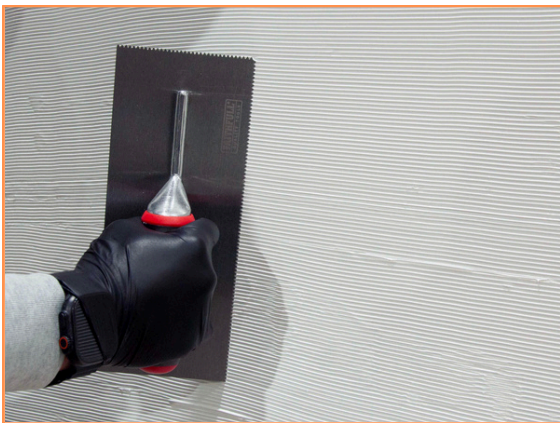
Ensure that the wall or surface intended for panel adhesion is flat, clean, and completely dry.

Step 2: Prepare the wall

Apply a coat of white paint or primer to the area behind the panel or splashback to prevent any dark colors from showing through the acrylic. Be sure to follow the paint manufacturer's guidelines, allowing sufficient time for the paint to fully dry before installation.

Step 3: Mark out the splashback

Position the panel or splashback against the wall and outline its perimeter using a fine pencil or masking tape to mark the area accurately.



Step 4: Spread the adhesive

Using the flat edge of a [3mm trowel](#), evenly spread the [Soudall Fix ALL Wall & Floor adhesive](#) onto the wall ensuring 100% coverage without air bubbles, extending up to the edges of the designated installation area.

Then, using the 3mm notched edge of the trowel, drag it horizontally to create uniform ridges across the entire surface.

Step 5: Apply the splashback

Carefully remove the protective film from the reverse side of the panel or splashback. Position the panel in the designated area and press it firmly into the adhesive. To ensure a perfectly flat installation, follow one of the methods below:

- **Hand Application:** Press firmly on the panel every 5 cm in both horizontal and vertical directions
- **Spirit Level Method:** Starting at the bottom, press a long spirit level firmly against the panel's surface. Gradually move the spirit level upward in 5 cm increments, pressing firmly each time, until you reach the top edge
- **Hand Roller Technique:** Use a hand roller to apply firm pressure while moving it evenly across the entire panel. Repeat until the panel is completely flat.

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Step 6: Wipe the excess

Remove any excess adhesive from the wall using a damp sponge or a scraper

Step 7: Leave the adhesive to dry

Allow the adhesive to dry for 24 hours before sealing the edges with sealant or removing the protective film from the front of the panel

Now, you have an acrylic splashback with a flawless finish



Important notes

- The installation process and materials outlined in this guide are the only ones that have been tested. We are unable to provide guidance on alternative methods or materials.
- Using a trowel with notches larger than 3mm may compromise the quality of the installation.
- [Soudal FIX ALL Floor & Wall adhesive](#) is suitable for mounting acrylic and polycarbonate panels to vertical surfaces, provided they are not load bearing
- Please adhere to all guidelines and precautions provided by Soudal. The [product datasheet](#) is available on our website for reference