



EASIHOLD

GET A HOLD OF YOUR GARDEN

Advice sheet

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the following countries:





Application Conditions

Easihold ought to be applied on to clean, dry stones. So a period of good weather in advance is important.

Old stones can be dirty and contain debris, and new stones can have silt deposits from the quarry. It's important to wash down with a hose pipe prior to application of Easihold.

Contaminants will prevent an effective bond being achieved between the stones.



In good weather conditions, Easihold continues to gain strength for 48 hours. It's important Easihold is allowed to do this, in good weather conditions.

Easihold is a water based product, and so rain will dilute the liquid and limit the bond strength achieved from the product.

Suitable Base

Easihold should be applied on to a free draining surface. This is for 2 reasons:

Easihold is water based and so will break down if submerged in water for long periods of time (2 days or more).

Stones saturated in water will experience a freeze thaw effect that will break down the bonds between the stones. A free draining base will allow water to run away.

The perfect base for Easihold is compacted stone – strong and stable, but free draining to allow water to flow through.



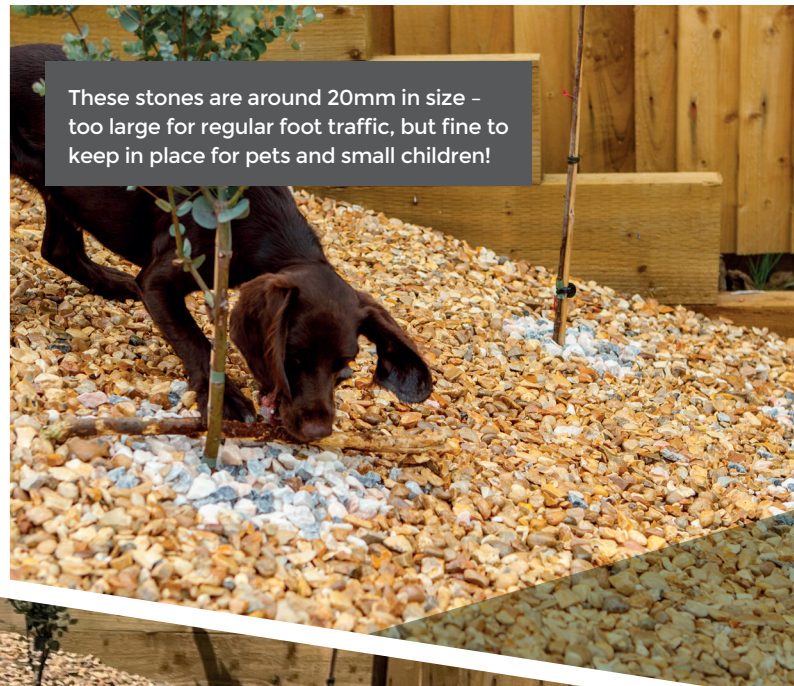
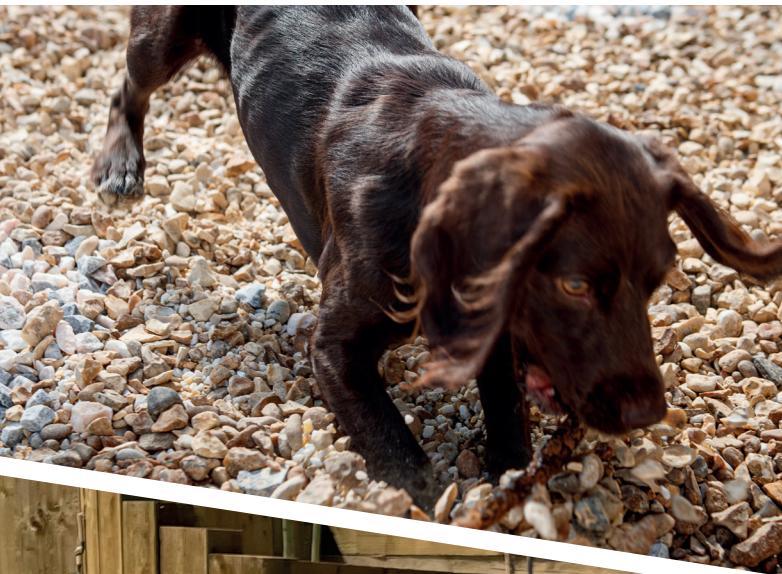
This application has been done using the Hand Mix method. Stone has been mixed with Easihold and applied using a trowel, on to a compacted stone base.



Suitable Stones

Easihold works best with stones 4-10mm in diameter. Even larger stones up to 20mm diameter will bond using Easihold, but will exhibit reduced performance.

Angular stones interlock better than rounded stones, and give improved performance.



These stones are around 20mm in size – too large for regular foot traffic, but fine to keep in place for pets and small children!



These are pebble dashing stones, which work great for Easihold and are available to purchase online.



Pour on

Easihold can be poured from a watering can. We recommend using a maximum of 1 litre per m², ensuring your stones are evenly coated. Ensure you use a watering can with a steady flow that disperses Easihold liquid evenly across the stones.

This method is quite straightforward, without the use of specialist equipment and ensures good penetration into the stones.

The one main consideration with this method, and all methods of application of Easihold is over saturation. Easihold is air drying - application of excessive amounts of Easihold will leave the surface wet and unbonded.



Spray on

Easihold can be spray applied using a standard airless sprayer. For the spray application, you can double the coverage area of 1 litre of Easihold - covering up to 2 m² per litre.

Spraying Easihold limits penetration into the base layer of the stones. Great for achieving a larger coverage but this method won't provide as robust a surface finish. We would recommend this application method for decorative use only.

We recommend to use 2 applications of Easihold when applying by the Pour On or Spray On method for the strongest finish. Ensure that the first coat has been allowed to fully dry - don't over-saturate!





Mix Application

You can purchase Easihold with stones as a bundle. These bundles are great for ensuring you have all the right products, delivered from one place.

The mixing application technique is typically stronger than other application methods - a result of guaranteeing each stone is evenly coated with Easihold. And it can be neater too - both pouring and spraying application techniques can risk splashes on to your paving, or surrounding areas.

We recommend to mix the Easihold and stones until they're evenly coated - usually 2 litres is enough to coat a standard 25kg bag of stones. You can mix smaller ratios, for example 1 litre with 12.5kg or 800ml with 10kg.

We can recommend to mix using a drill and paddle, or for smaller quantities, you can mix up using a gauging trowel until evenly coated.

You can use the mixing method with existing stones if they're clean. And equally, you can buy our stones separately, and then use the Pour On or Spray On method - you're not limited to one particular application method.



Natural World Rock

Our range of stones are sourced from the finest quarries in Europe. They are screened to 4-6mm, washed and dried - perfectly suited to bonding. Here are the stones available in the Natural World Rock range:



Resin Bound

For an even more robust finish, we also produce a range of resin-bound surfacing products. These are available in kits for DIY enthusiasts, and in larger volumes for the trade.

Our resin-bound products are market-leading with incredible strength and are available in a variety of colours. Resin bound surfacing is recommended for areas that take heavy loads such as driveways and pathways or garden furniture areas.



Frequently Asked Questions

Will it darken the stones / give it a wet look?

Easihold dries clear (but is milky in large quantities) and will not change or add a colour to your stones. However, Easihold will bring out the natural colour of the stones - which is often interpreted as a change in colour. If you want to see how Easihold will change the colour, you can add water - the final result will be similar!

Will stones treated with Easihold support garden furniture?

No, and certainly not any furniture with isolated point loads. For wider loading bases it might be possible - but would be a case of trial and error.

Will Easihold work on rubber mulch?

Yes, we do know of plenty of customers who use successfully on rubber mulch.

How long after application can it rain?

The longer Easihold is left to dry, the better. Ideally Easihold would have 48 hours of good weather to dry in - that will give you the optimal result.

Is this product UV Stable?

Yes, Easihold is completely UV stable.

Is the product flammable?

No, Easihold is a water based product and is not flammable.

If you don't use it all, how long can you keep it for?

The shelf life of Easihold unopened is 12 months. Once opened, we would recommend to keep it in a cool, dry storage place.

Will it work if the stones are dirty or silty?

No, this contamination will stop a good bond being achieved between Easihold and the stones. We would recommend to wash the stones first and allow them to dry.

Can you use Easihold on a driveway?

You cannot! Easihold is not suitable to receive vehicle traffic.

Is Easihold SUDS Compliant?

Yes, Easihold leaves the stones entirely permeable and SUDS compliant.

Do you need a specialist spray gun for Easihold?

No, Easihold can be applied using a standard airless sprayer.





Frequently Asked Questions

Can you jet wash the stones after treating with Easihold?

We wouldn't recommend to jet wash, that would be quite a lot of pressure directly on to the stones. But can clean with warm water.

How long will Easihold last on my stones?

It would depend on your usage. A good application, on to a free draining stable base would be expected to last 24 months. We would recommend to top up annually.

What size diameter stone would you recommend for Easihold?

We would recommend between 4mm and 10mm diameter for the best bond. But you can use stones up to 15mm and still achieve good results. Even larger stones can be bonded if clean and angular, but we wouldn't recommend for any foot traffic.

Does it leave the surface permeable?

Easihold coats the stones in a thin film, and leaves the stones capable of being penetrated by water as normal.

What depth will Easihold work on?

Easihold is effective down to a maximum depth of 25mm. 20mm depth is generally the best depth for stones when treated with Easihold.

How long do I have to wait after the first coat?

Easihold is air drying so it is important that you do not over-saturate the area being treated. Leave the first coat to dry for 24 hours or until fully dry before applying a second coat.

Would Easihold work on slate chippings?

Easihold will bond slate chippings, but because of their size, it would only be suitable for decorative purposes - we wouldn't recommend walking over.

Would Easihold be suitable for a 20mm aggregate?

Easihold is perfect for stones 4mm to 10mm in diameter. Larger stones can still be bonded successfully, but the strength is reduced for larger stones and so we wouldn't recommend for walking on.

Does Easihold create a wet look?

Easihold provides a protective sheen, but doesn't create a wet look. It would be more described as a matt / silk sheen.

How many m2 does it cover?

Use a maximum of 1 litre per m2 when pouring on, and 1 litre per 2m2 when applying by spray application. For a more robust finish, you can apply two coats (once the first coat has dried).





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Health & Safety

Safety:

Do not ingest. Wear gloves, protective glasses and clothing at all times. Avoid contact with eyes and skin. If it contacts with eyes wash immediately. Keep out of reach of children and pets. Use in a well ventilated area.

Storage:

Protect from frost and do not store in direct sunlight.

After Use:

Ensure you clean any mixing or application vessels intended to be used again, removing all remaining residue. Warm soapy water is a suitable cleaning agent.

Plant Health:

Ensure you do not coat leaves and foliage. Do not pour in close proximity to the base of plants / trees.

Product Safety Information:

Material Safety Data Sheet publicly available to download here www.vubaresinproducts.com

Email sales@vubagroup.com to obtain information relating to the correct and safe usage of this product.

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