This instruction manual describes the installation process for the individual patterns under GrandPattern, including deviations from Dinesen's “Installation” instructions. The instructions are exclusively supplemental to Dinesen’s general instructions, and we therefore refer you to these instructions for additional information:

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Solid planks laid in a herringbone pattern is a timeless solution. Choosing large dimensions in the individual oak planks takes the classic pattern to new heights with an impressive expression and an elegant look. Depending on the dimensions, the planks are delivered as right/left planks or with loose tongues for the end matching. This minimises waste. The planks are delivered ready for installation but will need to be fitted where they come up against walls etc.

The mosaic pattern is a classic solution which achieves a new and elegant expression with solid oak planks in larger dimensions than what is traditionally used. The pattern can be individually customised and attracts attention with its extraordinary dimensions. The planks are delivered ready for installation but will need to be fitted where they come up against walls etc.

The planks are laid in a bond, giving you the option of adding your own personal touch to the expression through your choice of dimensions. A traditional solution that creates a smooth transition and a beautiful interplay between the solid planks. The planks are delivered ready for installation but will need to be fitted where they come up against walls etc.

A distinctive graphic pattern that takes on even more character in large plank dimensions. Finishing the planks in the same color creates a beautiful uniform expression. The planks are delivered with some amount of overlength and will require a fair amount of individual fitting in connection with the installation.
How to succeed

For a successful result it is important to install the floor correctly and to follow the instructions carefully. We therefore recommend having a floor specialist install the floor. A GrandPattern floor requires a high degree of precision and fitting during the installation process.

Throughout the process, it is important to remember that a Dinesen floor is a product of nature, made of a living material that interacts with its environment. It is therefore crucial to ensure that the subfloor and the building in general are suited for the purpose and are properly prepared for the installation process. The building must be dry and free of construction humidity in accordance with Dinesen’s “Before installation” instructions. Never have the floor planks delivered until the building is sealed, dry and warm, and the humidity levels are under control.

Quality assurance is in everyone’s interest, so make sure to check, document and comply with the general requirements, cf. current Dinesen instructions.

2.1 Installation in general

All GrandPattern floors must be full-surface glued on a suitable subfloor in accordance with Dinesen’s additional “Full-surface gluing” instructions.

Gluing should not be combined with any other installation methods, unless Dinesen specifically advises otherwise. Generally, the planks should only be fixed to the subfloor using adhesive.

Never apply glue to the long sides of floor planks!

2.2 Sanding and finishing | Herringbone, Mosaic, Chevron

In patterns where the planks are placed at right angles to each other it is important to sand the floor correctly. Sand the floor in a 45° angle to the grain to achieve a uniform surface structure. See figure 1.

Apart from this requirement, sand and finish the floor in accordance with the procedure described in Dinesen’s “After installation” instructions.

Figure 1: Sanding in a 45° angle to the grain.

3 GrandPattern

3.1 Herringbone with a fixed tongue

Planks are delivered as mirror-image right/left planks.

1. Make sure that the subfloor and the building in general are suitable for the purpose and properly prepared for installation in accordance with Dinesen’s “Before installation” instructions.

2. Glue down the initial row using Dinesen’s recommended glue system. Always push the planks closely together.

Be very careful in laying the initial row correctly and at a right angle, as this is crucial for the rest of the installation process and the end-result. Use reference lines to maintain the direction, as minor inconsistencies quickly spread to the rest of the floor. See figure 2.

3. Glue down the next row. Set the planks into the glue as close to the adjacent planks as possible, pushing the planks firmly down and against the adjacent planks to prevent glue from getting into the tongue/groove joint. See figure 3.

4. Pay attention to colour, knots and grain when installing the floor to distribute the planks evenly and ensure a harmonious appearance.

5. Planks and fitted pieces against a wall should be cut to leave a 10-15 mm gap to the wall. See figure 4.

Figure 2: Initial row with reference lines.

Figure 3: Pushing the planks closely together.

Figure 4: Fitting the planks and smaller pieces up against the wall.
3.2 Herringbone with a loose tongue

Planks are delivered with a groove on three sides and a tongue on one of the long sides. Loose tongues are delivered in the width of the plank.

- Oak planks that are wider than 300 mm must be installed with a 2 mm gap between all the planks, on all four sides. Douglas planks should be installed without a gap, unless Dinesen has advised otherwise.

1. Make sure that the subfloor and the building in general are suitable for the purpose and properly prepared for installation in accordance with Dinesen's “Before installation” instructions.

2. Glue down the initial row using Dinesen’s recommended glue system. Always push the planks closely together, unless the planks are installed with a fixed 2 mm gap. In the latter case, use temporary spacing blocks.

- Be very careful in laying the initial row correctly and at a right angle, as this is crucial for the rest of the installation process and the end-result. Use reference lines to maintain the direction, as minor inconsistencies quickly spread to the rest of the floor. See figure 5.

3. Push a loose tongue into the end groove on all the glued-down planks and into the end groove of the new planks. All joints between planks must have a tongue/groove joint. Do not glue the tongue. Discard any tongues that are too thin or too tight. See figure 6.

4. Glue down the next row. Set the planks into the glue as close to the adjacent planks as possible, pushing the planks firmly down and against the adjacent plank. Always push the planks closely together, unless the planks are installed with a fixed 2 mm gap. In the latter case, use temporary spacing blocks.

- Be very careful in laying the initial row correctly and at a right angle, as this is crucial for the rest of the installation process and the end-result. Use reference lines to maintain the direction, as minor inconsistencies quickly spread to the rest of the floor. See figure 5.

5. Pay attention to colour, knots and grain when installing the floor to distribute the planks evenly and ensure a harmonious appearance.

6. Planks and fitted pieces against a wall should be cut to leave a 10-15 mm gap to the wall. See figure 7.

Figure 5: Initial row with reference lines.
Figure 6: Pushing the planks closely together. Inserting the loose tongue in the end groove.
Figure 7: Fitting up against the wall.

3.3 Mosaic

Planks are delivered with a groove on three sides and a tongue on one of the long sides, the four planks together forming a square mosaic tile. Matching loose tongues are delivered in the full width/length of the tile.

- Oak planks that are wider than 300 mm must be installed with a 2 mm gap between all the planks, on all four sides. Douglas planks should be installed without a gap, unless Dinesen has advised otherwise.

1. Make sure that the subfloor and the building in general are suitable for the purpose and properly prepared for installation in accordance with Dinesen’s “Before installation” instructions.

2. Glue down the initial tile using Dinesen’s recommended glue system. Set the planks into the glue as close to the adjacent planks as possible, and press the plank firmly down and against the adjacent plank. Always push the planks closely together, unless the planks are installed with a fixed 2 mm gap. In the latter case, use temporary spacing blocks.

- Be very careful in laying the initial row correctly and at a right angle, as this is crucial for the rest of the installation process and the end-result. Use reference lines to maintain the direction, as minor inconsistencies quickly spread to the rest of the floor. See figure 8.

3. Push the loose tongue into the tile. All joints between planks must have a tongue/groove joint. See figure 8. Do not glue the tongue. Discard any tongues that are too thin or too tight.

4. Glue down the adjacent tiles. See figure 9.

5. Pay attention to colour, knots and grain when installing the floor to distribute the planks evenly and ensure a harmonious appearance.

6. Planks and fitted pieces against a wall should be cut to leave a 10-15 mm gap to the wall. See figure 10.

Figure 8: Initial tile with reference lines.
Figure 9: Gluing down adjacent tiles.
Figure 10: Fitting up against the wall.
### 3.4 Bond

Planks are delivered in specific lengths with tongue/groove joints for continuous installation.

- Oak planks that are wider than 300 mm must be installed with a 2 mm gap between all the planks, on the long sides of the floor planks. Douglas planks should be installed without a gap, unless Dinesen has advised otherwise.

1. Make sure that the subfloor and the building in general are suitable for the purpose and properly prepared for installation in accordance with Dinesen’s “Before installation” instructions.

2. Glue down the initial rows using Dinesen’s recommended glue system. Distribute and then cut the first and last planks in the first two rows to size to form a harmonious floor in the full width of the room. Always consider the interplay with adjacent rooms. Lay the first row of planks 10-15 mm from the wall. Use temporary spacing blocks. Use string to check that the first row is completely straight. See figure 11.

3. Glue the ends of the floor planks together with moisture-resistant PVAc glue – we recommend Dinesen Wood Glue. Apply the glue to the upper side of the tongue and the lower side of the groove. Wipe off excess glue with a damp cloth.

   - Never apply glue to the long sides of floor planks!

Now, lay the next rows following the same procedure. Stagger the end joints by half the length of the plank to achieve a symmetrical look. Set the planks into the glue as close to the adjacent planks as possible, and push the plank firmly down and against the adjacent planks. Always push the planks closely together, unless the planks are installed with a fixed 2 mm gap. In the latter case, use temporary spacing blocks. See figure 12.

   - To achieve symmetry, check continuously to ensure that the direction of the joints is aligned across the floor.

4. Pay attention to colour, knots and grain when installing the floor to distribute the planks evenly and ensure a harmonious appearance.

5. Planks and fitted pieces against a wall should be cut to leave a 10-15 mm gap to the wall.

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### 3.5 Chevron

Planks are delivered with some amount of overlength and will require individual fitting on site. Loose tongues and router bit for end joints are included in the delivery.

- Oak planks that are wider than 300 mm must be installed with a 2 mm gap between all the planks, on the long sides of the floor planks. Douglas planks should be installed without a gap, unless Dinesen has advised otherwise.

1. Make sure that the subfloor and the building in general are suitable for the purpose and properly prepared for installation in accordance with Dinesen’s “Before installation” instructions.

2. Plan the pattern and distribution carefully ahead of time. It is recommended to mark centre lines on the subfloor where the plank ends should meet and to use these marks as reference lines. Be very careful in laying the initial row correctly and at a right angle, as this is crucial for the rest of the installation process and the end-result.

3. Glue down the initiating row using Dinesen’s recommended glue system at a 45° angle to the centre line. Always push the planks closely together, unless the planks are installed with a fixed 2 mm gap. In the latter case, use temporary spacing blocks. Glue down the fitted pieces against the wall as you finish each row. See figure 13.

4. Cut the row along the centre line. Cut a groove down the full length of the row with the router bit included in the delivery. Match the height/position of the existing groove. Insert and glue down a loose tongue throughout the full length of the row using moisture-resistant PVAc glue – we recommend Dinesen Wood Glue. See figure 14.

   - Apply the glue to the individual ends of the planks without creating a continuous line of glue across the centre line – break off the line of glue 5-10 mm from each plank joint. Never apply glue to the long sides of floor planks.
4. Cut the next row of planks individually to match the initial row. Cut the end of the plank at a 45° angle, and cut a groove. Glue down the plank using Dinesen’s recommended glue system. Now, finish the row following the same procedure. Glue the end of the plank to the initial row using moisture-resistant PVAc glue – we recommend Dinesen Wood Glue.

! To glue the end joint, apply the glue to the end of the plank and to the tongue that has already been glued down – break off the line of glue 5-10 mm from each plank joint. Never apply glue to the long sides of floor planks. See figure 15.

5. Now, prepare and glue down the next row following the same procedure. See figure 16.

6. Pay attention to colour, knots and grain when installing the floor to distribute the planks evenly and ensure a harmonious appearance.

7. Planks and fitted pieces against a wall should be cut to leave a 10-15 mm gap to the wall. See figure 17.

! Alternatively, the joint detail across the centre line can be done as a rebate. Always make sure, however, to comply with the general principles of correct gluing of the relevant joints. Never apply glue to the long sides of floor planks. See figure 18.

Dinesen’s instructions are based on Danish building codes and regulations. Please note that we can only offer advice about our own product, and thus, any additional advice lies outside the service we offer. Other building components and products require a degree of knowledge and insight that makes it necessary to seek advice from a specialist. As we have no control over the actual quality of workmanship, materials used and worksite conditions, those written instructions do not constitute an implied warranty of any kind. The illustrations in this document are strictly intended as a guide.

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4 General guidance

4.1 Advice

A Dinesen floor is a unique piece of nature. It is a living material which should be treated with care. Our instructions explain in detail how you get the best result so the floor can last for centuries.

These instructions cannot stand alone. For additional information, we refer you to the general Dinesen instructions. If you need additional advice about Dinesen floors, you are very welcome to contact us.

To order and purchase products in the maintenance series, please go to webshop.dinesen.com

4.2 Literature

Træinformation: “Træ 63” and “Træ 64” (træinfo.dk)