



Valletta

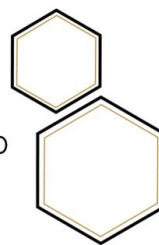
Version 3

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EUROPEAN TILE DESIGN

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Pattern 145 in
custom colors Gold
and Emerald



Patterns 105, 121,
125 in Gray.



Valletta

Valletta draws its artistic inspiration from the traditional tile work found on the Isle of Malta.

The historic capitol city of Valletta has been a cultural crossroads for centuries making its art and culture a blend of many eras and traditions.

We have used this artistic blend as a starting point as we explore traditional patterns and fuse it to the California art pottery tradition to make a beautiful and sturdy tile that is made to last.



The Craft of Valletta



Valletta is a hard fully fired surface that is as durable as it is beautiful. The base of Valletta is a sturdy red stoneware clay body with a wire cut texture.

To create Valletta we fire the tile then apply a layer of white clay engobe to prepare the tile for decoration. Our artists then hand paint the designs of one or more colors.

To add to the timeless appearance of Valletta the next step is to gently rub a bit of decoration and engobe from the edges of the tile.

Next we apply a clear satin matte crackle glaze. The tiles are then fired again fusing the tile, engobe, decoration and top glaze into a fireproof, waterproof non-fading ceramic surface.

After the second firing, the final step is to enhance the crackle with black mason's stain and sealer.

Valletta Colors



Charcoal



Tan



Blue



Light Gray



Bright Blue



Brown



Pale Green



Green



Gray



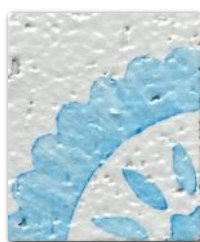
Coffee



Light Blue



Yellow



Turquoise



Terra Cotta



Gold



Pink



Gray Blue



Spruce



Red



Emerald

As Valletta is hand painted one at a time, each tile has the unique hand of the artist. Brush strokes, color and the crackle of the top glaze will vary. The tile's wire cut surface texture will also vary from tile to tile.

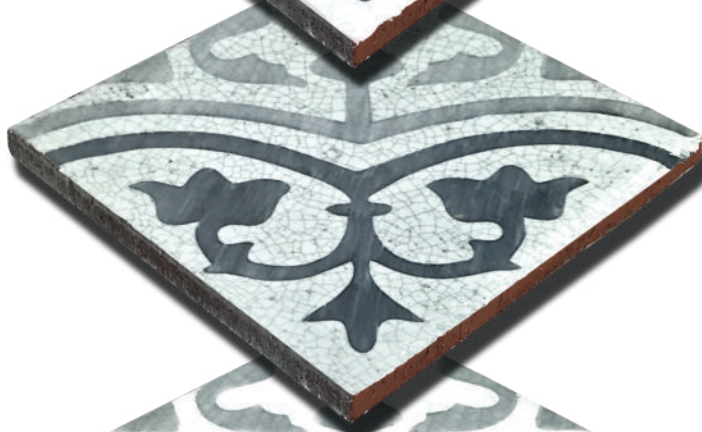
Due to the limitations of photography, screen color variance and printing we strongly recommend viewing a physical sample of the color or color combination of your chosen design before ordering.

Valletta Surface Options

The Valletta surface comes in four options from Blanco the lightest least distressed option to Antique. Pick the surface that best fits your project. The options include whether the edges of the tile are distressed and the color of the stain/sealer used on the matte crackle glaze finish.



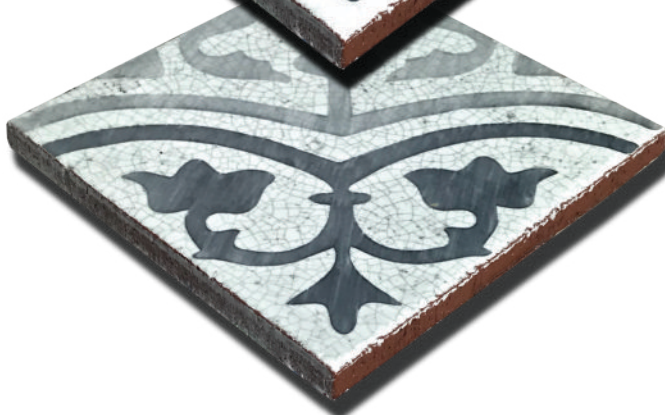
Blanco
Clear Sealed Crackle



Classico
Black Stained Crackle



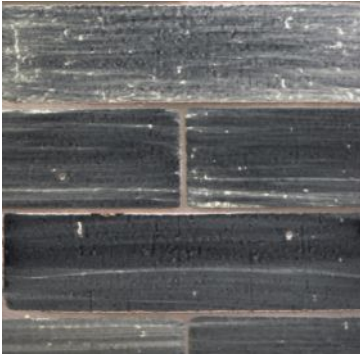
Distressed
Rubbed Edges
Clear Sealed Crackle



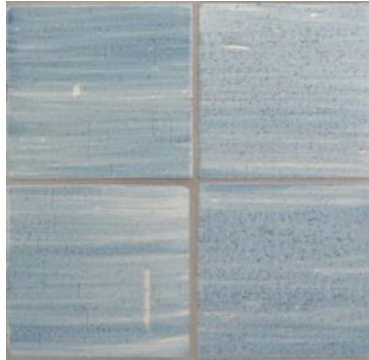
Antique
Rubbed Edges
Black Stained Crackle

Hand Painted Field

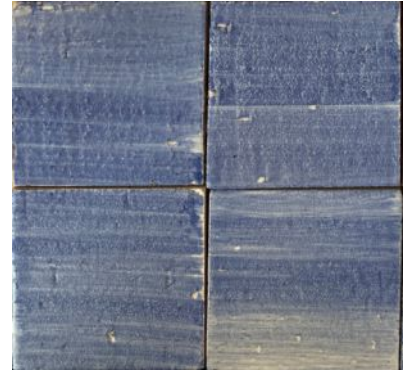
Hand painted Valletta field tile is available in all Valletta colors, surface options and field sizes. This high variation field is the perfect complement to the rustic decorated Valletta tile.



2x8 Charcoal, Blanco



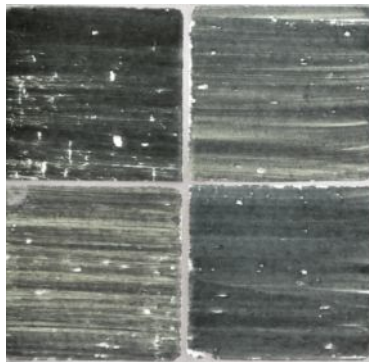
4x4 Blue, Blanco



4x4 Bright Blue, Blanco



4x4 White, Distressed

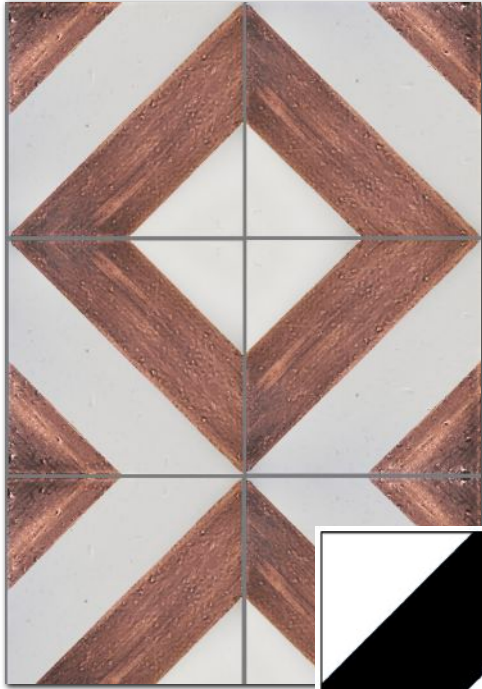


4x4 Spruce, Blanco

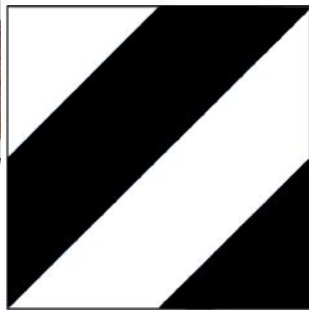


4x4 Tan, Blanco





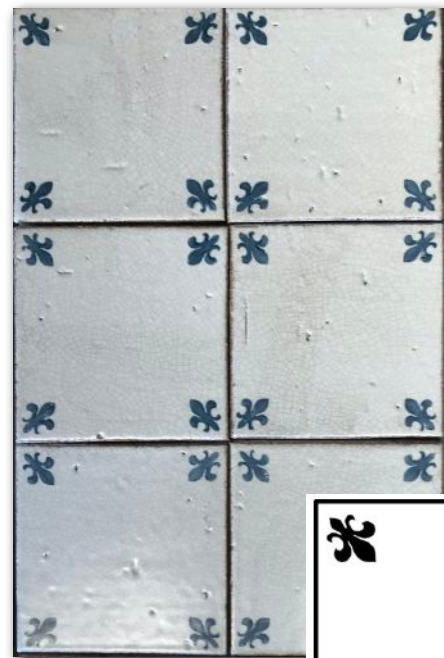
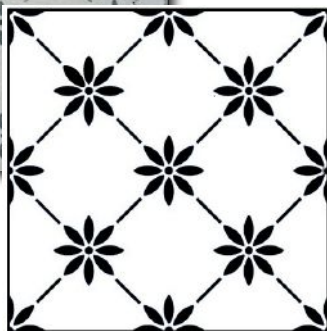
6x6 VL100
In Terra Cotta



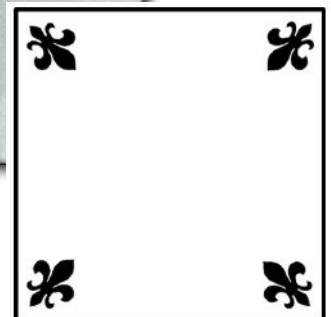
6x6 VL105
In Gray

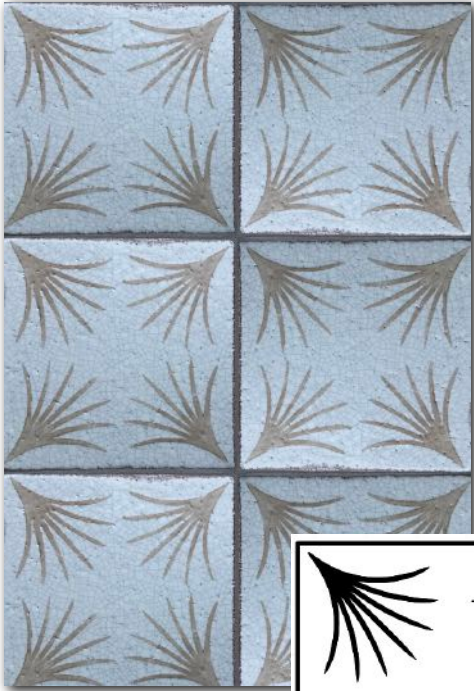


VL106
In Gray Blue

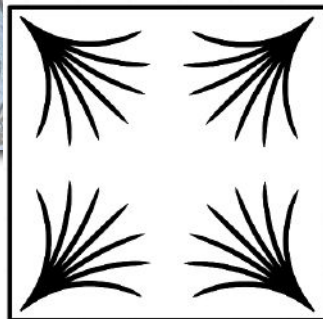


VL109
In Blue





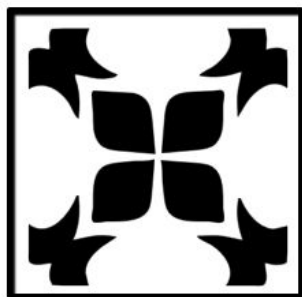
VL111
In Tan



VL112
Gray Blue
Light Gray

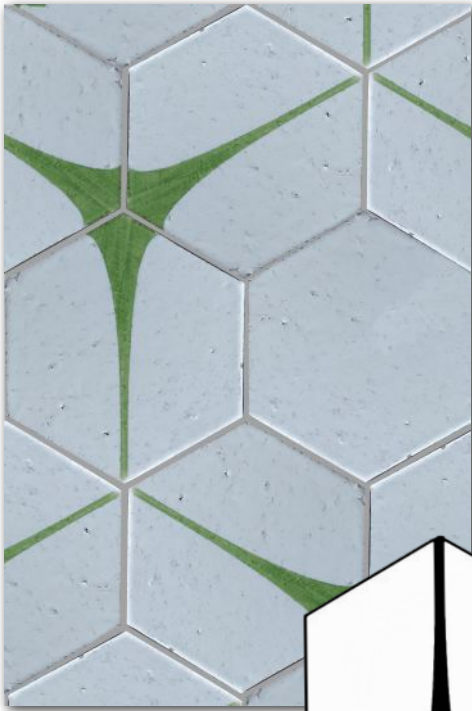


VL113
Green

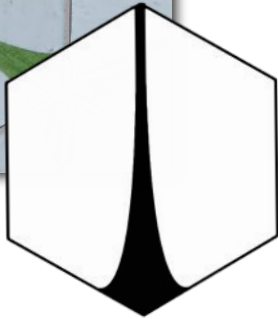


VL114
Blue





VL116
In Green



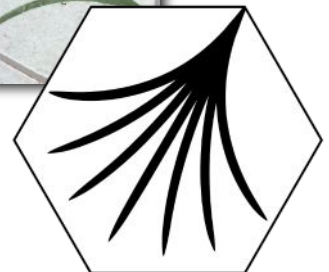
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Gray Blue



VL118
In Turquoise
Light Gray



VL119
In Green





VL120
In Green
Brown



VL121
In Blue



VL122
In Gray Blue



VL123
In Blue

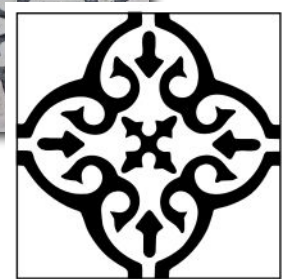




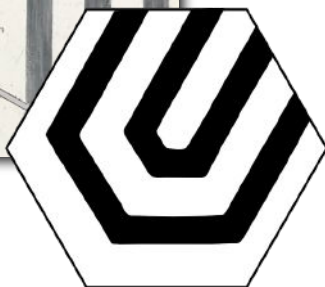
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 Unglazed
 White



VL125
 In Charcoal



VL126
 In Gray

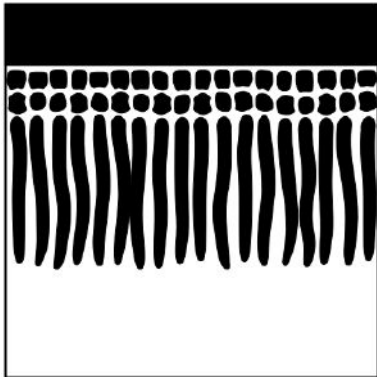


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 In Gray

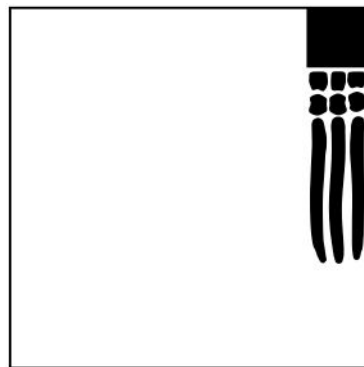




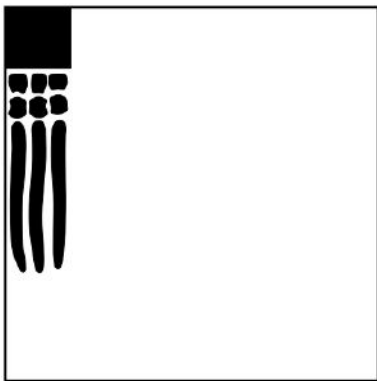
VL114 With Rug Parts
Gray Blue/Light Gray



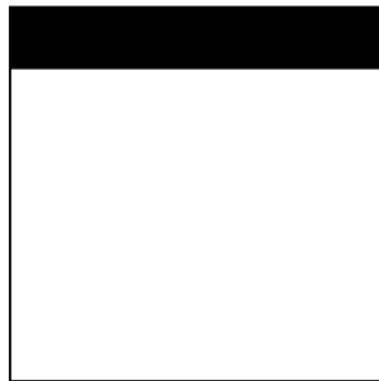
VL127 Fringe



VL129 Fringe Corner Left



VL128 Fringe Corner Right



VL130 Edge Piece



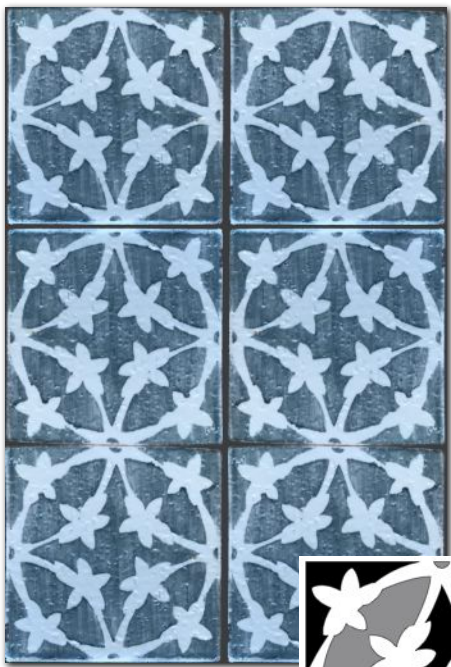
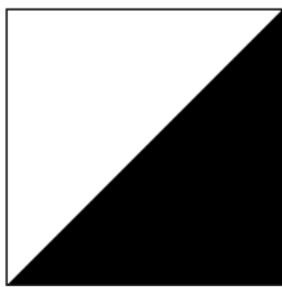
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In Spruce



VL134
In Charcoal
Light Gray

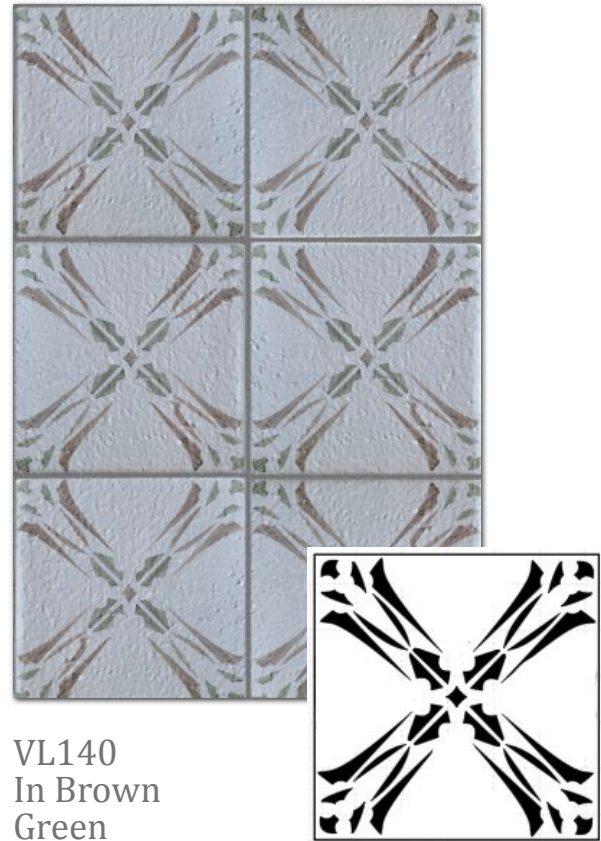
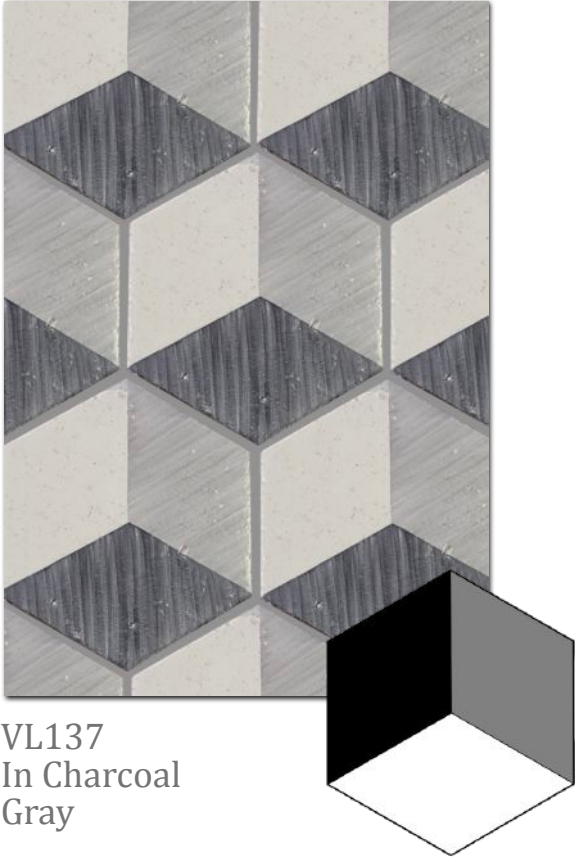


VL135
In Charcoal



VL136
In Gray Blue







VL143
In Charcoal
Gray



VL144
Gray Blue
Spruce



VL145
In Gold
Emerald

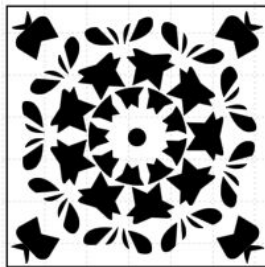


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In Charcoal
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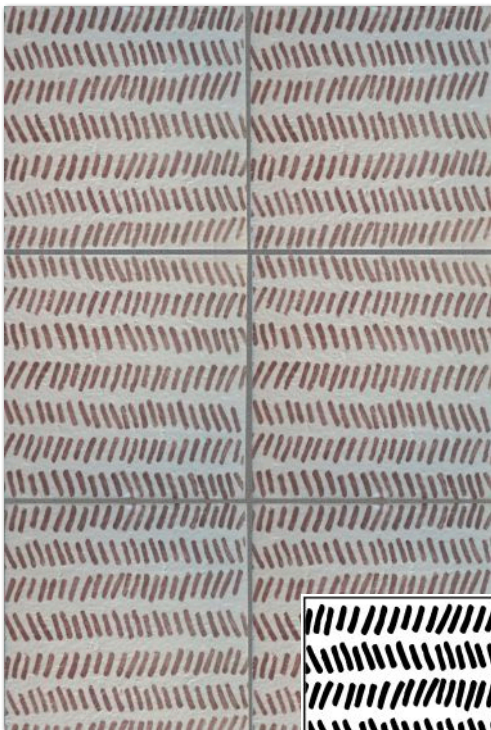
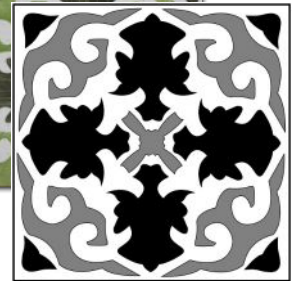




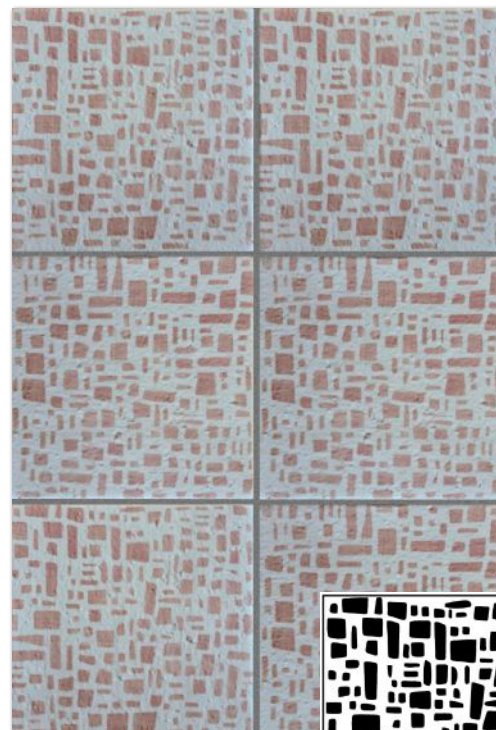
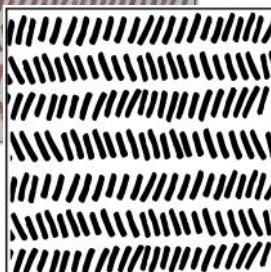
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In Tan, Light Gray
Green



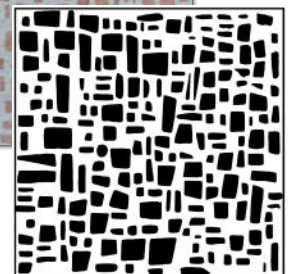
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In Green
Spruce

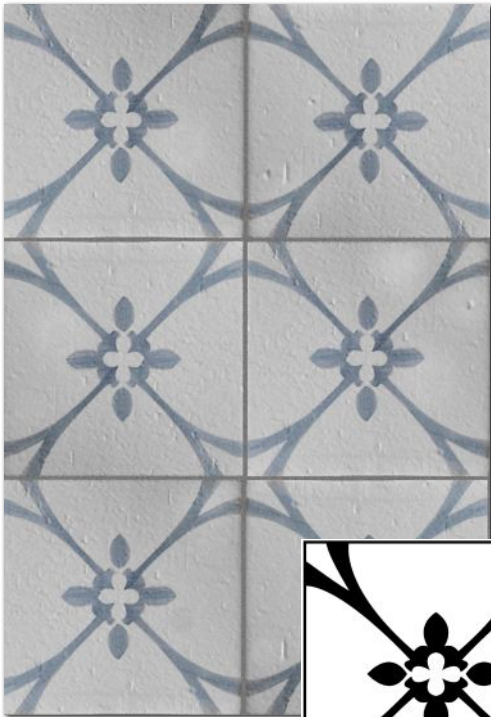


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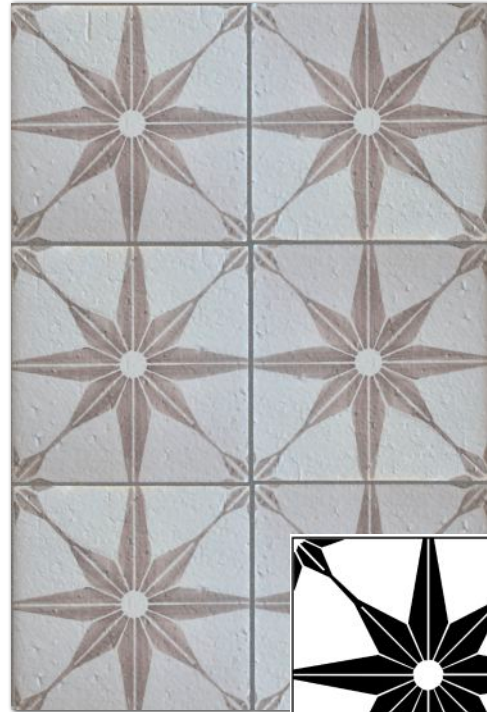


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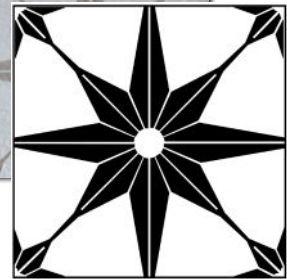




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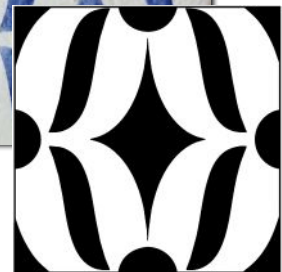
VL154
In Tan



VL152
In Charcoal



VL156
In Bright Blue





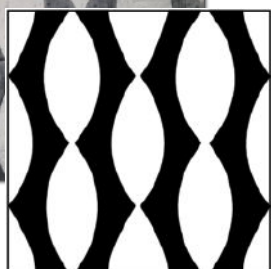
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In Pale Green



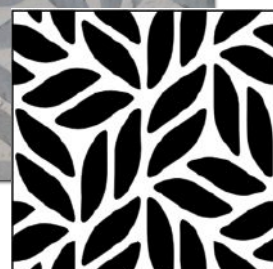
VL172
In Green



VL173
In Gray Blue

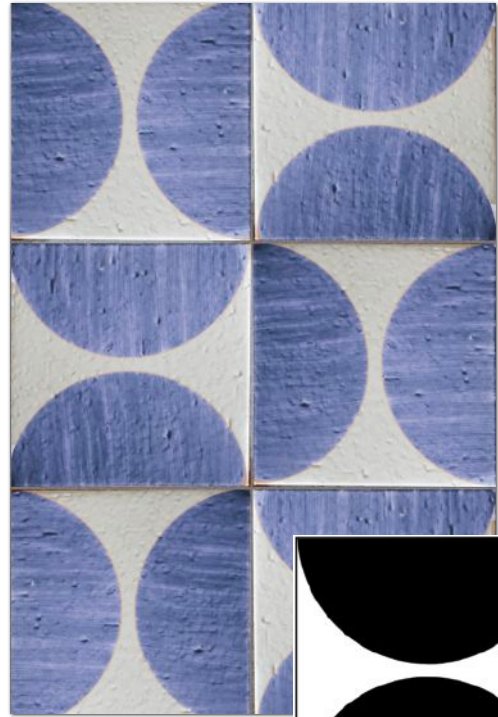
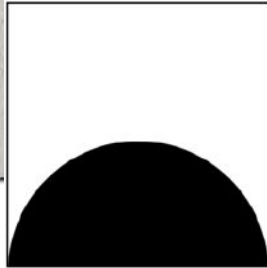


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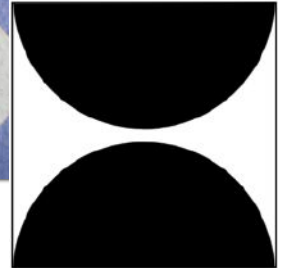




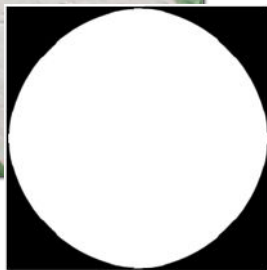
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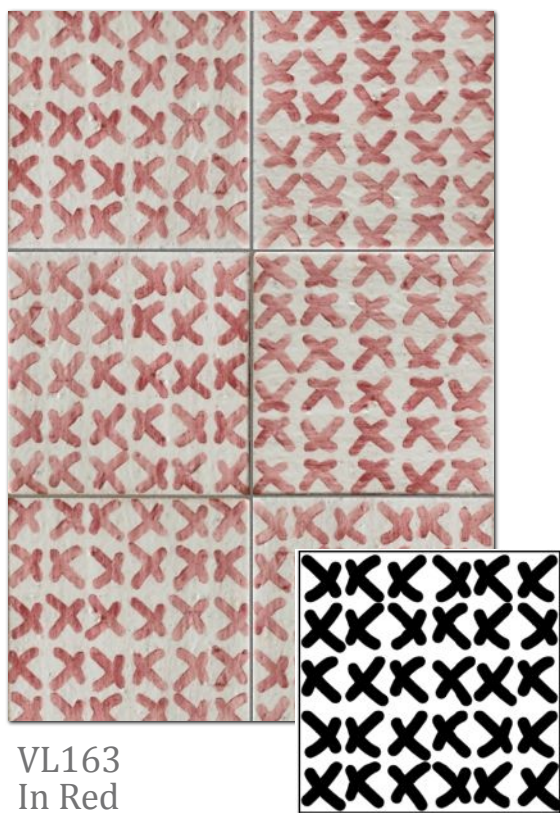
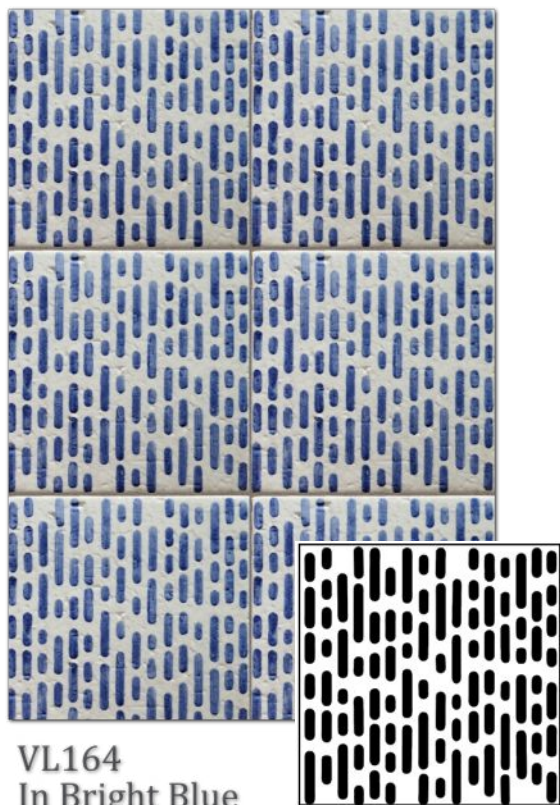
VL162
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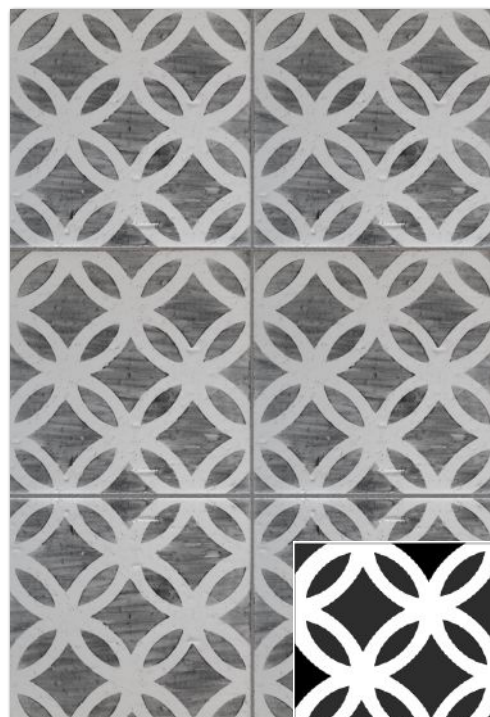
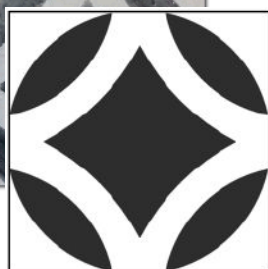


VL161, VL162, VL168
In Terra Cotta

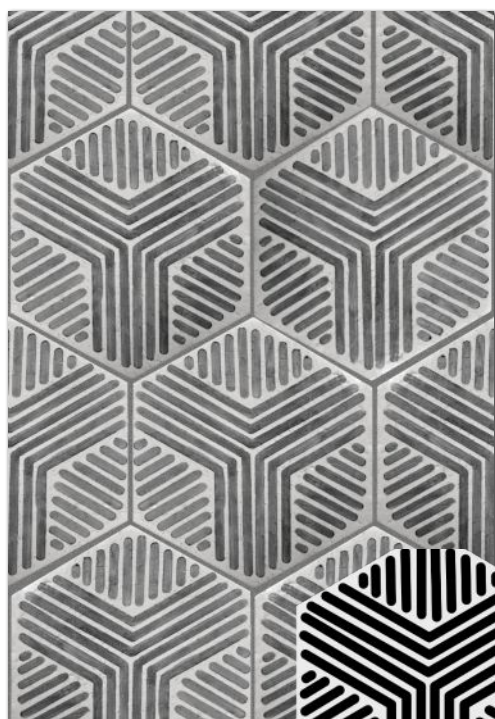
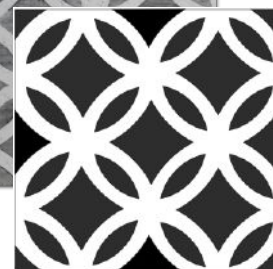




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In Charcoal



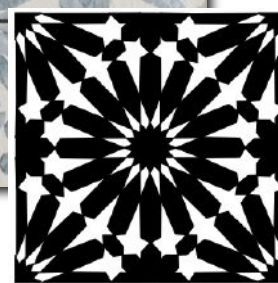
VL171
In Charcoal



VL175
In Charcoal



VL138
In Blue



Valletta

Valletta is made by hand in our Los Angeles studios, where we are proud to continue Southern California's long tradition of art ceramics.

The special look and feel of Valletta comes directly from our handmade process. Made for you in small batches by skilled craftsmen, every single piece has its own unique character.

The natural variation in color, texture and shape is our design intent and gives Valletta an unmatched warmth and depth of charm.

Valletta is available in over 20 patterns and a dozen studio colors.

Sampling

Due to the limitations of photography, we strongly recommend viewing physical samples of the color and designs of Valletta prior to ordering.

Sustainability

Valletta is made from 70% post-industrial recycled content: 40% of the clay body used to make the product is ground scrap roofing tile and brick recovered from a solid waste facility in Apple Valley, California; 30% of the clay body is clay recovered from a sand washing operation in Lincoln, California.

Our Los Angeles facilities operate under the strictest environmental regulations in the country. We recycle 100% of the water and clay used in the production of Valletta.

Valletta may qualify for the following LEED points:
MR 4.1/4.2: Recycled Content (1–2 points)
MR 5.1/5.2: Regional Materials (2 points)
EQ 4.2: Low-Emitting Materials (1 point)

Usage

Valletta is a hard fully fired surface that is as durable as it is beautiful. The glazed ceramic surface is waterproof, heat proof, non-fading and weatherproof. It is suitable for all residential and most commercial tile applications from fireplaces to feature walls. Valletta can also be used in wet areas including showers, steam showers, and tub surrounds.

It has passed the ASTM C 1088 standard, and has earned an Exterior Grade rating, so it can be used outside. Test results are available upon request. If you have questions about Valletta's suitability for a particular project, please contact us.

Lead Time

Valletta is made to order and ships in approximately 6 weeks. Large or custom projects over 400 sqf may take longer (please call for a current estimate).

Installation

Valletta is installed as you would install any tile and does not require special materials or tools. We recommend setting Valletta with a 1/8 to 3/16 inch joint with sanded grout. Consult the current TCNA Tile Installation handbook the proper installation method for you application.

Maintenance and Care

Valletta may be cleaned with any non-abrasive household hard surface cleaning products. Acidic or caustic cleaners are not recommended.

Properties

Thickness	1/2"
Weight Per Square Foot	5 1/2 lbs.
Clay Body	Red Stoneware
Size and Shape Variance	+/- 1/8 th
Lippage	+/- 1/8 th
DCOF Rating	.22
Recommended Grout Joint	1/8" to 3/16"
Fire Rating	Class A
Flame Spread Rating	0
ASTM C 1088 Freeze/Thaw Rating	Exterior Grade