

## OVERVIEW

Gravitex Suede is a ready-mixed acrylic textured coating. It provides the unique combination of a quality architectural finish with outstanding economy through ease of application, a low material consumption rate and surface durability. Gravitex Suede adheres to most exterior and interior surfaces including plywood, chipboard, anti-rust primed steel, gypsum dry wall, sand/cement render and concrete. Gravitex Suede has excellent weathering properties.

## PROPERTIES

Gravitex Suede is formulated from crushed and precisely graded fillers, acrylic binders and additives which give it elastic properties, long life and durability against colour fading and pollution. Its rich texture and in-built flexibility helps cover defects and minor cracks in the substrate.

Gravitex Suede is a medium build trowel applied finish. It is finished using a plastic trowel to give a suede effect finish.

## AREA OF USE

Gravitex Suede is primarily designed for exterior facades and surfaces of buildings such as commercial and industrial complexes, office projects, factories, hospitals and housing developments.

Gravitex Suede can be used on surfaces of concrete, cement rendering, lightweight concrete, fairfaced stonework, plastered brickwork, plastered blockwork, plywood, antirust primed steel and suitably primed galvanised steel.

The coating performs equally well on interior surfaces of gypsum dry wall and chipboard and is widely used as a decorative ceiling and wall finish.

## PREPARATION OF SURFACE

**New surfaces:** Ensure that all dust, dirt, and foreign matter are scraped and brushed away. Also ensure the surfaces are free from salts, oil, grease, and ridges. Protect all adjacent surfaces not to be covered. All cracks, chips, voids and damages should be repaired with an appropriate filler

**Old surfaces:** Before applying Gravitex Suede to old surfaces, ensure the substrate is firm. First wash down the surface with a soda / water solution, rinse and allow to dry before repairing or applying the first coat.

## PRIMING

Prime surfaces with a coat of Terraco Penetrating Primer Clear or Terraco Tex Primer tinted to same shade as finish, prior to application of Gravitex Suede.

## APPLICATION & CLEANING OF TOOLS

Trowel application is done using a steel trowel to lay on the material and a plastic trowel is used to pattern the surface.

Clean tools and equipment with water after use.

## HEALTH & SAFETY

Avoid prolonged contact with eyes and skin. For detailed information refer to relevant material safety data sheet.

## PACKAGING & STORAGE

Gravitex Suede is supplied in 25kg plastic pails.

Store containers in a clean dry area protected from direct sunlight and extreme heat and cold. Unopened containers can be stored for 12 months. Use oldest material first.

## TECHNICAL DATA

<b>Product</b>	Trowel acrylic based textured coating
<b>Binder</b>	Acrylic
<b>Thinning</b>	Water if required
<b>Drying Time</b>	3 - 4 hours
<b>Toxicity</b>	Non-toxic
<b>SG</b>	1.75
<b>Viscosity</b>	40,000 - 60,000 cps
<b>Material Consumption</b>	1.5 - 2.0 kg/m <sup>2</sup>
<b>Application Method</b>	Trowel
<b>Colours</b>	50 standard colours
<b>Packaging</b>	25kg plastic pails
<b>Storage</b>	12 months in original unopened container

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