



# A Step Above the Rest

The patented hanging and flashing system creates a simple installation process that protects the house from moisture intrusion and the associated damage, while creating a professional stone appearance!



Other mortarless systems **provide some of the labor saving** advantages over traditional mortar-on stone but come short when it **come to protection against water penetration.**



Typical mortar applied stones **must be properly installed by skilled mason and require:**



**Fantastic Look**  
Real Stone Aesthetics



**Patented Flashing System**  
Provides protection from moisture and the elements



**Quick, Convenient & Simple Installation**  
Install up to 4 Times Faster



**Costs Less to Install**  
than Mortar-On and other Mortarless Solutions



**Requires Less Wall Preparation**



**Can Be Installed In Any Season**



**No Masonry Skills Required**  
Can be installed with basic carpentry skills and tools



**Multiple Layers of Wall Prep**



**Complex and Laborious Installation**



**A Warm & Dry Environment**



**Premium Costs of Skilled Labor**



## Installation Advantages of Silvermine® Stone Siding

- Simple Installation
- Best Water Protection Technology
- Real Stone Aesthetics

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**Install a Single Layer of Weather Resistant Barrier (WRB)**

WRB should be installed in accordance with local code requirements.

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**Mark Studs Vertically**

Each piece of stone should have one fastener in the stud, when possible.

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**Install a Strip of Flashing**

Install a piece of flashing\* (at least 8" tall) along the base of the wall.

\*metal or rubber are acceptable

**TIPS Working with Metal Flashing**

Cutting the flashing can be done with ease using tin snips or scored with a utility blade, then bent and snapped off.

Because stones are installed from the bottom of the wall and go up from there, the installation of the flashing is extremely important.

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**The First Course of Stone**

Once the strip of flashing is installed, the installation of stone can begin.

A



The stone panels can be screwed onto the wall, typically with 3 fasteners per panel with one fastener into a stud.

B



Care should be taken to ensure the first course of stone is perfectly level when installed. When the first course of stone is level, the rest of the installation will be smoother and look better once finished.

C



Make sure all stone panels are installed tight against the surrounding panels. This will help the aesthetics of the finished project.

D



In areas that are prone to high winds or to help further secure the stone to the wall, a few silver dollar size dollops of construction adhesive may be installed to the back of the stone panel, but is **not** required.

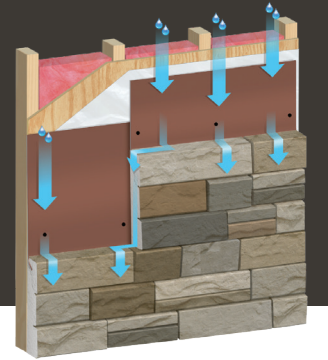
**TIPS Cutting the Stone**

To make cutting and shaping easier, we recommend using a circular saw with a diamond blade.

Using a 4-inch angle grinder with a diamond blade will make small cuts and create notches for hose spigots, outlets and light boxes much simpler.

Silvermine® Stone is the only brand of mortarless stone veneer that features a “shingle effect” created by the patented hanging and flashing system, protecting the house from moisture damage, mold, and mildew that can occur when moisture is allowed to get into a building’s substrate.

**The 2-inch vertical flashing provides protection from: mold, mildew and the effects of freezing then thawing.**



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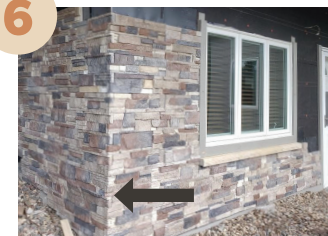


**Installing the Next Layers**

It is important to stagger the stone siding, keeping at least a 3 to 4 inch offset. You shouldn't have any vertical seams running up the wall. Stone come as 2-foot by 6-inch pieces and can be cut into several sections of varying widths to start and adjust the stagger.

**Silvermine® provides an industry leading number of stone layouts to minimize repeating patterns.**

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**Working Upward and With Edges**

For best results, make sure to keep the factory edge to the outside and the cut edge to the inside.



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