



key benefits

- **strengthens joints**
- **minimises joint cracking**
- **long setting time**

mastablock

back-blocking cement

mastablock is a pink plaster based cement designed for back-blocking ceiling and wall joints in accordance with Australian Standard AS 2589. Back-blocking reinforces the joint, minimises deformation and possible cracking that may occur due to stresses from building movement.

mastablock sets in 4 hours allowing plenty of time to complete back-blocking and to maximise use of a single mix. Great for skillion roofs as ceiling joints can be back-blocked progressively, working from below the board.

performance

Mixing

Mixes easily by hand or electric mixer to a smooth consistency.

Strength

Strong bond between back-block and plasterboard lining, strengthening joints and minimising joint distortion and the possibility of cracking.

Colour

Pink for easy identification.

Setting

An extended 4 hour set which is not accelerated with extra mixing.

Sustainable

Low VOC meeting sustainable building project requirements.



product information

product size	20kg paper bag
type	Setting powder cement
mixing ratio	1L of water to 2kg of mastablock
working time	3.5 – 4 hours
setting time	4 hours
system usage	✓ Back-blocking joints ✗ Masonry walls ✗ Jointing ✗ Cornice
voc	<50g/L

application

- Back-blocking is a requirement of Australian Standard AS 2589 and is strongly recommended by Siniat for all ceiling joints.
- Pour the required amount of clean tap water into a container. Add the powder into water, mixing continuously to a smooth consistency.
- Only mix enough cement to be used in 3.5 hours, and do not contaminate with previously mixed batches. Once the material starts to set, it cannot be remixed.
- Apply **mastablock** using a notched spreader. After applying **mastablock** to the back-blocks, do not allow it to dry out before placing on the back of the board.
- **mastablock** must be set before commencing any jointing.

optimise product performance by:

- Storing in a dry, well ventilated environment fully protected from the weather.
- Washing tools before product dries and hardens.
- Ensuring **mastablock** does not dry out before setting has taken place under severe hot dry conditions.



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