



# ACE Update

budget with huge benefits. Tiles are an economically viable option and come in a variety of colours, textures and patterns. At the same time they can be mixed and matched among the different colours or tiles randomly for a unique look. For instance, mosaic tiles can be used to alleviate the look of the expanse or create a focal point.

Tile can be a great option for commercial spaces due to its versatility and longevity among other flooring alternatives. For example, in commercial buildings the ceramic tiles are used for their high strength and scratch resistance. Ceramic floors are the easiest to clean and maintain and are stain-free and resistant to alkalis and acids. The utility factor of tiles comes in handy while using in commercial buildings as they have a very high acoustic damping factor which helps in the elimination of echoes and, therefore is considered ideal for auditoriums and big halls. They are hard wearing and not susceptible to fading from UV light. The difference in both these domains is that of utility and aesthetics although its careful selection can enhance and protect a space or design and add to its capital value.

How can tiles be made shockproof?

Tiles can be shockproof with the use of preformed rubber tiles. The anti-shock floors for multipurpose play areas can be made with preformed rubber tiles. The shockproof plates are made of recycled rubber which is highly elastic and non-toxic. They are easy to clean and resistant to atmospheric agents over time.

Kindly cite an example of a completed project which utilises tiles to good effect?

While choosing tiles, the options were endless as we have the freedom to use tiles as focal points or supporting design-puzzle elements to the room we are creating. 'Maachis'- an Indian Tapas Bar by Chromed



Design Studio incorporated tiles into their flooring. Besides the colours and patterns attention was paid to the size and surface finish according to where they will be used. The flooring has been aptly curated by creating a pattern with the help of brick tiles combined with a printed tile inlay. In Daddy, a restaurant in Bengaluru, Black and white terrazzo tile flooring was used in the bar area. Its sleek, gleaming balcony in the front is adept with monochromatic pattern tile flooring that creates a feeling of hallucination. Hence tiles are ideal for most spaces whether residential or commercial and their use isn't restricted to any given area.

## Graff launches the thermostatic units for spa-like shower experience



**G**raff, the worldwide manufacturer of innovative faucet and showers systems, adds another milestone in wellness with its new Thermostatic units. The Thermostatic units by Graff are equipped with a control button that fixes the temperature

at a desired level according to your safety and comfort, preventing any accidental burn. Developed under the leading technology, the new Thermostatic Units by Graff run on a mechanism that guarantees the pleasure of a shower experience comparable to a private

spa. To match your design and installation requirement, the new Thermostatic Units by GRAFF offer more than 20 finishes including the new ultra-resistant PVD finishes - Onyx PVD®, OR'osa PVD®, Polished Brass PVD and Brushed Brass PVD.

Compared to mechanical shower mixers, thermostatic elements ensure uniform temperatures during the whole shower, even when other water outlets are in use in the same house. The new Thermostatic units by Graff come in more improved designs, matching both classical and contemporary collections with shorter sleeves and more attractive look. The new thermostatic units are compatible with Graff's recent M-series concealed sets which offer the opportunity to control up to 7 different outlets with only 3 handles and are extremely easy to install. With luxury at utmost priority GRAFF reassures its discerning customers with top performances and innovative design.