J.C Epiphany Color Pigment Oxides

Mixing Concrete with Cement Oxide

Oxides may be used with bases such as cement, plaster, mortar and grout. Test with a small quantity of base before manufacturing large batches. Store unused oxide in a cool dry place in a sealed container.

The following colors are best used with WHITE cement:

- Coral*
- Honey Yellow*
- Light Blue
- Mauve*
- Mustard Yellow
- Squash Orange*
- Turquoise*

*Custom Blended Colors

Mix dry oxide well before measuring and blending with dry concrete mix

The following colors are best used with GREY cement**:

- Barn Red
- Charcoal Grey
- Dark Blue*
- Dark Green*
- Green

Instructions

- 1. Wear gloves and mask. Work outdoors or in a well-ventilated area
- 2. Calculate the amount of pigment needed according to the ratio of Pigment: Cement + Sand Mix plus 4%-5% oxide. For paler / pastel hues, use less oxides.

Example: For 1 lb. (454g) cement mix, add 22.7g (5%) oxide.

Please note: adding more than the recommended amount of oxide will not result in a more intense color as the mixture will become super saturated.

- Pour pigment into DRY cement mix and evenly mix cement and pigment.
- 4. Mix cement-pigment mixture with water. Approximately 30% water added will produce a thick rich mixture. Use more or less water for a thicker or thinner mortar. Water percentage is calculated based on the number of grams of dry cement-sand weight.
- 5. Ensure mixture is properly mixed using a grout mixer, trowel or spatula. Scrape the sides of container a few times while mixing (if applicable).

^{**}If lighter oxides are used with grey cement, the color tone may be slightly duller than when used with white cement.

J.C Epiphany Color Pigment Oxides

- 6. After casting or applying mortar, allow to dry for 24-48 hours or longer to cure. After drying, color tone may lighten.
- 7. Cured concrete may be sanded if needed. 400-1000 grit or higher recommended.
- 8. Finished concrete creations may be left unsealed or sealed with concrete sealer. Sealing helps to further strengthen and protect the concrete from stains, wear and tear.
- 9. Cement creations for outdoor use may lighten oxide colors over time.