Stenciling a Tile Floor

House Project



Happy Saturday morning! We continue to check things off our list of home projects that *need* to get done. However, I am beginning to tackle a new project that I've been *wanting* to try~stenciling a tiled bathroom floor in the pool house.



In retrospect, I am not sure why I selected this floor tile. It appears in both the pool house and our master bathroom. And I don't like it in either place.

Our home restoration took years to complete. My guess is that I had renovation fatigue about two years in and selected a tile that was available, affordable and not offensive. I would not select this tile today.



So what is the solution to jazzing up this vanilla floor? It will be too expensive to remove the tile. So I will try my hand at stenciling it. The search for an attractive stencil pattern in an appropriate size came up empty. Fortunately, I discovered that Royal Design Studios will make custom size stencils.

Working with their design department, I was able to order one $(13.0625\% \times 13.0625\%)$ that will work perfectly with my tile size. The cost is \$39.50. Not bad.





I need to research the steps to prepping the tile, repairing

any grout problems, and selecting paint types and paint colors.

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Hand painting done by Tina Silvernail

The bathroom walls are white with decorative blue images. I am not sure whether to keep them or just re-paint all the walls white. I find them to be sweet, but is it dated?

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The pool house theme is mostly blue, white and yellow. Since this is the only blue/white space anywhere at Bella Terra, I want to continue that with the stencil color choices.

My inspiration for the colors in the stencil may be a few shades of blue, similar to this vase.

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So wish me luck! I am hoping that stenciling the floors will give it an old world look. Any time I start a project that will have dramatic results, I hold my breath a bit. There will be a great deal of prep work to do and so I don't expect this project will be done quickly. But I will keep you posted!

Though I have never stenciled on tile before, I have had success in stenciling on concrete and wood. To see the stenciled floor project done on concrete, click here.

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To view the stenciled wood floor project, click here.



Have a wonderful weekend. It's very quiet here and I have so much catching up to do with being out of town for a week~bills to sort, the refrigerator to clean, and laundry. Plus I am dreaming of Scandinavian solutions to our cabin and will keep you up to date on what crazy ideas I develop! If you missed my last post about this, click here.

Thanks for joining me this morning!

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