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TADELAKT: From Ancient Tradition to Modern Design

TADELAKT, a lime-based plaster originating from Morocco, has a rich history deeply rooted in ancient architecture. Its origins can be traced back to the need for effective waterproofing in the arid Moroccan climate. Initially, Tadelakt was primarily used to seal water tanks and cisterns, ensuring the preservation of precious water resources. Its exceptional waterproofing properties and durability eventually led to its expanded use in other applications.

The use of Tadelakt extended to the facades of official buildings and palaces, where it provided protection from the elements, while adding a touch of luxury. However, it was in the interiors of hammams (traditional Moroccan public baths) that Tadelakt truly showcased its versatility and unique qualities. With their humid environments, Hammams have provided the ideal setting for Tadelakt plaster to flourish. The material's ability to repel water and resist moisture made it perfect for finishing the walls and ceilings of these steam-filled spaces. Tadelakt's smooth, silky finish allows condensation to freely flow, preventing the formation of cold droplets that could cause discomfort to bathers.

In contemporary design, Tadelakt has experienced a resurgence in popularity. Its functionality combined with its natural elegance and excellent longevity, has made it a sought-after material in both classic and modern settings. Tadelakt's enduring appeal lies in its ability to create waterproof walls that are seamless, free of grout lines.

From its ancient origins as a utilitarian waterproofing material to its modern status as a design element, Tadelakt plaster has proven its ability to transcend time and trends.

The ecostucco® Tadelakt finish system provides plastering artisans with a predictable material and a vast array of colors and sealer options, further expanding the creative possibilities of this ancestral, timeless lime plaster tradition.