# Schluter®-Shower System

Complete waterproofing system for tiled showers



### Tile: The Perfect Choice for the Bathroom

Tile is not only timeless and beautiful, it's also durable, hygienic, and easy to clean, making it ideal for wet areas.





### The Importance of Moisture Management

To preserve the long-term beauty of your bathroom and safeguard your investment, a complete waterproofing system is crucial. Tile and grout alone are not waterproof, making a reliable waterproofing system essential. Without it, moisture can seep through, accumulating in wall cavities or the floor structure—leading to leaks and mold. For a tiled shower built to last a lifetime, a proper waterproofing system beneath the tile is a must.

### The Traditional Shower vs. the Schluter Shower

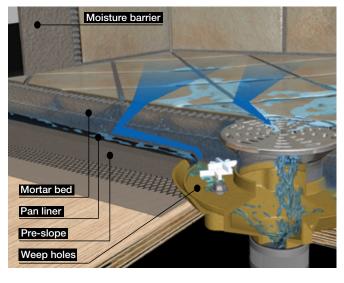
A long-lasting tiled bathroom starts with effective waterproofing. Moisture-sensitive materials like wood framing, plywood or OSB sheathing, and gypsum wallboard must be protected from water and vapor infiltration. Without proper moisture management, wet areas can foster mold growth. Controlling moisture is the most effective way to prevent mold.

### The Traditional System





### Pan liner method



The traditional method for installing tiled showers is both time and labor intensive, requiring many steps to ensure success.

First, a mortar bed is sloped to the weep holes in the drain. The waterproofing membrane, called a pan liner, is placed over this "pre-slope" and clamped into the drain. The pan liner is carried over the curb and up the walls about 3 inches above the curb. A moisture barrier, such as tar paper or plastic sheeting, is placed on the walls and lapped over the pan liner.

While this completes the waterproofing installation, additional prep work is required because the waterproofing materials used in this system do not allow for the direct application of tile. A mortar bed is placed over the pan liner, and the walls are covered with mortar or tile backerboard. These materials provide a support layer and bonding surface for the tile.

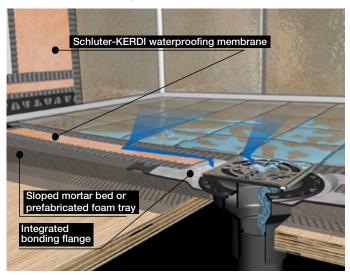
Contrary to popular belief, the tile covering itself is not waterproof. When the shower is in use, water and vapor will penetrate the mortar bed and tile backing on the walls. This moisture must seep through the mortar bed to the sloped pan liner and exit through the weep holes in the drain. In this way, the assembly can be described as a "water-in/water-out" system.

Mortar beds are a great option that require fine attention to detail. When even small details are overlooked, issues can guickly arise; water may accumulate with no way to escape which increases the potential for mold growth within the system.

### Schluter®-Shower System



Bonded waterproofing



The Schluter-Shower System is an integrated family of products that improves on the traditional system by simplifying tiled shower installations.

The process begins with the installation of solid backing panels (e.g., gypsum panels or tile backerboards) on the walls and either a sloped mortar bed or Schluter prefabricated shower tray on the floor. These materials provide the support for the waterproofing system and the tile.

Now the waterproofing application begins. The KERDI-DRAIN is installed on top of the mortar bed or the shower tray. Then the KERDI waterproofing membrane is bonded to the surfaces of the walls and base, including the KERDI-DRAIN. The KERDI-DRAIN features a large, integrated bonding flange that ensures a secure connection to the KERDI waterproofing membrane. Unlike the waterproofing materials used in the traditional system, tile can be set directly on the KERDI membrane using thin-set mortar.

This is what makes the Schluter-Shower System unique: the waterproofing system is installed on top of the backing materials rather than below. This eliminates the potential for moisture to seep into the mortar bed or the tile backing on walls, and thus allows the tile covering to dry between uses. The integrated Schluter-Shower System eliminates leaks, reduces the potential for efflorescence and mold growth in the system, and dramatically reduces total installation time to ensure success and make shower installation easier than ever.









# Typical Shower Application





- Materproof building panels
- Waterproofing membrane
- KERDI-BAND Waterproofing strip
- 4 KERDI-KERECK-F Waterproofing corners

- 5 KERDI-SEAL
  Pipe and mixing valve seals
- 6 KERDI-DRAIN Point drain
- **KERDI-LINE or KERDI-LINE-VARIO**Linear drain
- 8 KERDI-SHOWER-T/-TS/-TT Prefabricated shower tray
- WERDI-SHOWER-LT/-LTS Prefabricated shower tray
- 10 KERDI-BOARD-SC
  Prefabricated shower curb
- DITRA
  Uncoupling membrane

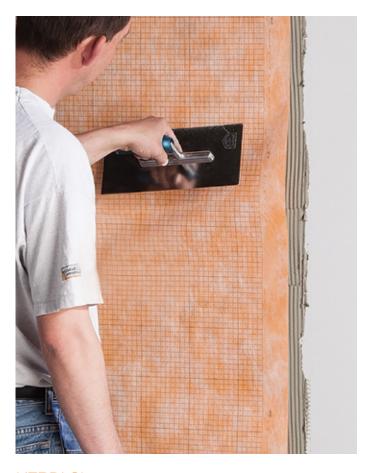
DITRA-HEAT

Electric floor warming and uncoupling membrane



## Waterproofing

Schluter-Systems offers two options for creating fully waterproof shower walls:



### **KERDI Shower**

KERDI is a sheet-applied polyethylene waterproofing membrane and vapor retarder that is applied to the solid backing on the walls and the shower base.

- Prevents water and vapor penetration in wall cavities to prevent mold and mildew
- Protects moisture-sensitive building materials such as wood framing, plywood, and OSB
- Made of inorganic materials, KERDI will not promote mold growth
- Pliable and easy to install, tile is installed directly over the membrane



### KFRDI-BOARD Shower

KERDI-BOARD is an extruded polystyrene foam panel that is installed directly on stud framing, and replaces gypsum or cement board to create shower walls.

- Waterproof and vapor-retardant, preventing mold growth
- Even, impact-resistant, and rigid
- Contains no cement or fiberglass for a dust-free installation
- Lightweight and easy to cut with a utility knife, making installation simple

### Waterproofing Accessories



KERDI-BAND
Waterproofing strip



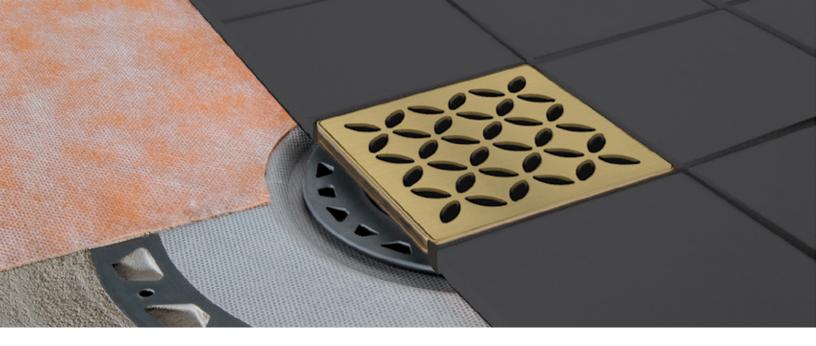
KERDI-KERECK

Inside and outside waterproofing corners



KERDI-SEAL-PS/-MV

Pipe and mixing valve seals



## **KERDI-DRAIN**

KERDI-DRAIN is a floor drain with an integrated bonding flange that provides a large contact area for a secure connection to the KERDI waterproofing membrane at the top of the assembly.

#### Reduces Installation Time and Labor

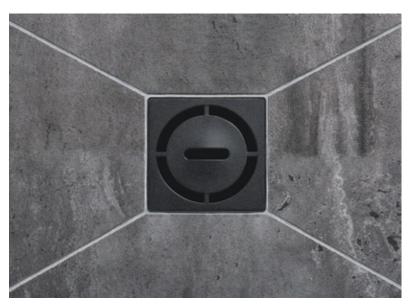
Eliminates the prep work required in a traditional drain and liner application.

#### Adaptable

Appropriate for both mortar bed and KERDI-SHOWER-T/-TS/-TT foam tray installations. Ideal for new constructions and remodels.

#### Designed Specifically for Tile

Fully adjustable grate (vertical, lateral, and tilt) simplifies tile layout and installation. Square grate minimizes awkward cuts around the drain.











STYLE Stainless Steel







CURVE





Matte White

Stainless

Steel

**CLASSIC** Stainless Steel



Stainless Chrome Steel Oil-rubbed Nickel Bronze Vintage Gold Classic Gold

CONTOUR Anodized Aluminum



Brushed Nickel Brushed Copper Brushed Brass

TILE Tileable Covering Support



Flange Options - 2" or 3"

Nickel







Stainless Steel No-hub

Stainless Steel Threaded (2" only)

Horizontal Flange Options - 2"





Adaptor - 5-1/2" or 7-1/2"







### KERDI-LINE and KERDI-LINE-VARIO

KERDI-LINE and KERDI-LINE-VARIO are low profile linear drains specifically designed for bonded waterproofing assemblies. Both drains feature an integrated collar made of KERDI to ensure a simple and secure watertight connection around the drain. While KERDI-LINE is available in sizes ranging from 20" (50 cm) to 72" (180 cm), KERDI-LINE-VARIO is offered in lengths of 48" (122 cm) and 96" (244 cm) and is designed to be cut to size on-site.

#### Design Versatility

With KERDI-LINE and KERDI-LINE-VARIO, the floor is sloped on a single plane which allows the use of large-format tile. Both drains can be installed adjacent to walls or at intermediate locations, further increasing design options. Shower entry placement is only recommended for KERDI-LINE.

#### Completely Curbless

Both drains have a low profile which makes them ideal for curbless showers and open-concept spaces, including those designed to accommodate wheelchairs. Beautiful design meets function and accessibility!

#### Substrate Suitability

Appropriate for both mortar bed and KERDI-SHOWER-LT/-LTS foam tray installations. Ideal for new constructions and remodels.

#### Stunning Grate Finishes

With a variety of designs available, your grate will be anything but boring! All KERDI-LINE-VARIO grates and the KERDI-LINE SOLID and SQUARE grate designs are available in nine TRENDLINE colors. KERDI-LINE is also offered in chrome, brushed stainless steel, and a tileable format.

### **KERDI-LINE Grate Options**





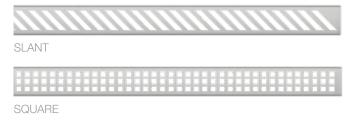






### KERDI-LINE-VARIO Grate Options





Stainless Steel

Matte White

Ivory

Greige

Cream

Bronze

Stone Gray

Pewter

Dark Anthracite

### KERDI-DRAIN-A and KERDI-LINE-A Adaptor Kits

#### KERDI-DRAIN-A



KERDI-LINE-A



KERDI-SHOWER-CB

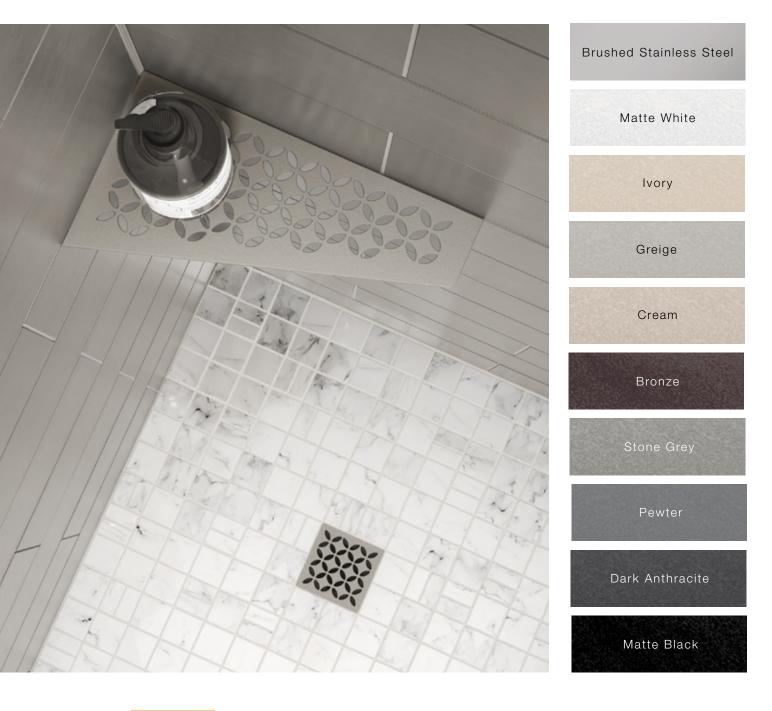


Adaptor kits are used to convert traditional clamping ring drains into integrated bonding flange systems when removing the existing drain isn't practical. They feature a steel adaptor ring with an over-molded rubber gasket that is sealed to the installed drain using KERDI-FIX. The adaptor kits make it simple to retrofit existing clamping ring drains to either a KERDI-DRAIN point drain (using KERDI-DRAIN-A) or a KERDI-LINE linear drain (using KERDI-LINE-A). Both are compatible with mortar beds and prefabricated KERDI-SHOWER trays.

- The KERDI-DRAIN-A adaptor ring is available in 5-1/2" (140 mm) or 7-1/2" (191 mm)
- The flange for the 7-1/2" (191 mm) model features an extended outlet that can be cut to size
- KERDI-SHOWER-CB is a compensation board used to accommodate the adaptor ring height for a flush installation in conjunction with prefabricated shower trays
- Please note that the KERDI-LINE-A adaptor ring is designed for use with the KERDI-LINE linear drain, and is not compatible with KERDI-LINE-VARIO

### Match Your Shelf with Your Grate

A selection of shower shelves in various shapes and sizes provide the perfect match to your drain grate. Available in FLORAL, CURVE, PURE, SQUARE, and WAVE, these shelves make the ordinary, extraordinary.

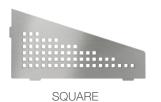












Niche Shelf



Wall Shelf





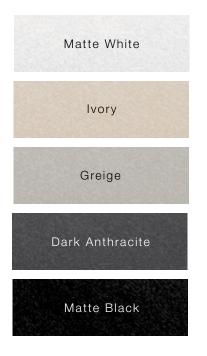


# DESIGN-NICHE - Bold Design, No Tile Required

DESIGN-NICHE redefines shower storage with a sleek, modern look—no tile, no hassle. Crafted from powder-coated aluminum, this prefabricated niche offers a fast, clean installation and a striking visual element for any shower or bathroom wall.

With multiple size and color options, two edge styles, and compatibility with other TRENDLINE products, DESIGN-NICHE brings style, function, and flexibility together in one smart solution.

- Available in three sizes and five TRENDLINE colors
- Durable, easy-to-clean surface resists mold and mildew
- Coordinates with TRENDLINE shelves, drains, and profiles









# Two installation options:



Flush edge for a seamless look



Reveal edge for a striking frame

### Prefabricated Shower Components

Prefabricated shower trays, curbs, benches, and niches provide a lightweight alternative to mortar bases and other constructions for quick and easy shower installations.

What's behind your tile matters—before you tile, make sure to start with the right foundation.



### Sloped Shower Trays

Prefabricated sloped shower trays with integrated KERDI waterproofing

- Eliminate the need for a mortar bed
- Integrated KERDI waterproofing
- Fast and easy to install
- Feature a perfect slope
- Can be cut to size or extended using dry pack mortar





### **Shower Curbs**

Prefabricated curbs eliminate all the prep work for quick and easy installations.

- Waterproof and ready to tile
- Lightweight and stable
- Load-bearing to accommodate the weight of glass blocks, shower doors, and glass partitions
- Combine multiple curbs to accommodate larger showers or cut to size for smaller spaces





#### **Shower Benches**

A tiled bench right in your shower—yes! Whether you include a shower bench for functional reasons or simply for a touch of comfort, once you incorporate seating in the shower, you'll never go back.

- Waterproof and ready to tile
- Lightweight and load bearing
- · Sloped surface to prevent water accumulation





### **Shower Niches**

Keep everything in the shower neatly organized with a prefabricated shower niche that is fully sealed, quick to install, and integrates with KERDI and KERDI-BOARD shower assemblies.

- Waterproof and ready to tile
- Finish off the shower niche with a trim profile of your choice

# Shower Niches with integrated LIPROTEC LED lighting technology



- Two horizontal niches and three vertical options
- Features evenly diffused LED warm, white light measuring 3000K
- Choice of 2 power supplies:
  - LIPROTEC-ECX all-in-one LED power supply and in-wall dimmer switch
  - LIPROTEC-ECD in-line dimmable driver
- Available cable lengths: 13' 1-1/2", 26' 3", and 49' 2-1/2"



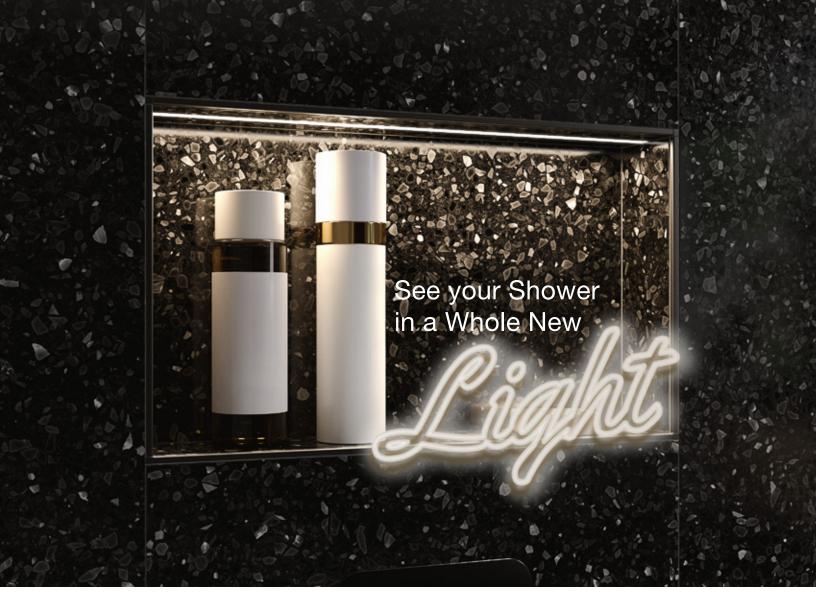
12" x 28"

#### Kits

The KERDI-SHOWER-KIT is your all-in-one solution to building a completely waterproof shower that is ready for tile.

The KERDI-BOARD-KIT contains KERDI-BOARD panels and all the other components necessary to create a fully waterproof and vapor tight tile application around bathtubs and acrylic shower bases.





### KERDI-BOARD-SNLT

KERDI-BOARD-SNLT is a prefabricated KERDI-BOARD niche with integrated LIPROTEC LED lighting that is designed to ensure that all connections are compliant with the National Electrical Code (NEC) and the Canadian Electrical Code (CEC). The LED light strip provides a warm, evenly diffused white light that measures over 90 on the Color Rendering Index (CRI), ensuring that tile, décor, and even skin tones look vibrant and natural.

#### Design Versatility

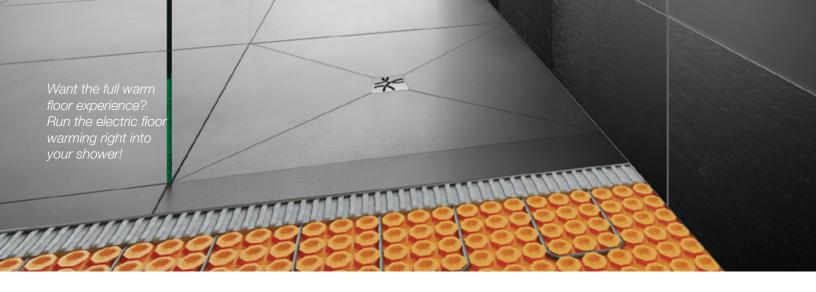
Both horizontal and vertical shower niches are available, making it easy to create sleek, illuminated storage spaces in any shower. The LIPROTEC LED light strip can be installed either in the center of the niche or along the rear wall. What's more, each power supply is capable of controlling multiple niches, so several can be installed side-by-side and controlled by one source.

### Easy Integration

The KERDI-BOARD-SNLT shower niche integrates perfectly with the Schluter-Shower System for a bonded waterproof assembly.







### ELECTRIC FLOOR WARMING SYSTEMS

Luxury You Can Feel

#### **DITRA-HEAT**

One feature that immediately separates an ordinary bathroom from an extraordinary one is a warm tiled floor. With DITRA-HEAT, tiled floors are not only warm, they are also more durable since this system incorporates an uncoupling mat to prevent cracked tiles and grout, in addition to waterproofing, vapor management, and load support—covering all the common challenges in the bathroom.

- Electric floor warming adds a touch of luxury to the bathroom
- Integrated uncoupling technology protects tiles from cracking
- Heating zones are easily customizable using loose cable and studded mat
- Easy to install; no need for clips, fasteners, or leveling compound
- Minimal assembly thickness allows easy transitions to lower surface coverings

### DITRA-HEAT-DUO





All the same features as the DITRA-HEAT system, with the addition of a thicker bonding fleece that provides two further benefits: sound control and a thermal break for 70% faster warm-up times over concrete substrates.

### Easy Peel & Stick Floor Warming



Available in rolls and sheets, peel and stick membranes feature a cutback stud structure with anchoring fleece and a self-adhesive backing. They offer all the same benefits as our original DITRA-HEAT and DITRA-HEAT-DUO floor warming membranes, with an easier and faster way to install the membrane without thin-set.









### **PROFILES**

Small Detail, Big Finish

The timeless beauty of ceramic and stone tiles can bring a relaxing spa feeling home. Schluter profiles are suitable for creating hygienic transitions and protecting tile edges in wet areas.

### Profiles for Outside Corners and Tile Edges

Exposed tile edges are unsightly and prone to chipping. The QUADEC square-shaped profile and RONDEC rounded profile protect and finish tile edges for visually-appealing and long-lasting results. Edging profiles eliminate the need for special ceramic trim pieces so you can select virtually any tile in the showroom.

#### Profiles for Inside Corners

DILEX cove-shaped profiles create a curved surface that provides an easy-to-clean alternative for inside wall corners and floor/wall transitions—and also eliminate the need for caulking!

### Details Make the Difference

Matching corners and end caps are available for most Schluter profiles. No need for miter cuts, these accessories eliminate gaps and sharp edges and simplify installation to provide a polished, finished look.

Schluter profiles are available in a wide range of colors and finishes to complement your design.



# Schluter®-Shower System Installation Handbook

The Installation Handbook contains comprehensive details, installation instructions, warranty information, and other helpful information to ensure the success of your installation.

Please consult the Handbook prior to starting your tile project.

To obtain a copy: Call: 800-472-4588 (USA) or 800-667-8746 (Canada) Or download at schluter.com



### **Installation Videos**



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