Estimating a construction project can involve a variety of factors, the instructions below are provided for general guidance. Construction experience, efficient material use, project planning, and other variables can impact the actual amount of material needed for a given project. Final project estimates should be completed by the installer.

For your convenience, a project calculator can be found on the Silvermine Stone website, by following the link below, and scrolling down to the calculator:

## https://silverminestone.com/Products.aspx

## Example:

The following example assumes that Silvermine Stone will be installed across the front of a house covering the bottom 3 feet of the wall. This example provides one door that is 3 feet wide and 1 window that is 4 feet wide, the bottom of the window is 2 feet above the bottom of the house.


## Step 1: Determine overall square feet ( sq ft ) of stone needed:

The example project has 4 walls needing stone, each wall will have stone covering the bottom 3 feet of the wall:

- Wall 1: $15^{\prime}$ long $x 3^{\prime}$ tall $=45 \mathrm{sq}$ ft of stone
- Wall 2: $4^{\prime}$ long $\times 3^{\prime}$ tall $=12$ sq ft of stone
- Wall 3: $12^{\prime}$ long $x 3^{\prime}$ tall $=36 \mathrm{sq} \mathrm{ft}$ of stone
- Wall 4: $4^{\prime}$ long $\times 3^{\prime}$ tall $=12 \mathrm{sq} \mathrm{ft}$ of stone

Overall square feet needed $=105 \mathrm{sq} \mathrm{ft}$

## Step 2: Calculate stone needed for corners:

- Count the number of corners:
- 2 Outside Corners
- 1 Inside Corner

Total number of corners $=3$ corners

- Calculate number of "linear feet" ( lnr ft ) of corners:
- 3 corners $\times 3$ feet of stone height $=9 \mathrm{lnr} \mathrm{ft}$ of corners
- Calculate number of boxes of corners needed:
- Each box of corner contains 2 lnr ft of corner stones
- 9 linear feet divide by 2 Inr ft per box $=4.5$ boxes of corners
- Determine square feet covered by corner stones:
- Each box of corners contains 7 sq ft of coverage
- $7 \mathrm{sq} \mathrm{ft} \times 4.5$ boxes $=$
31.5 sq ft of coverage by corner stones ( 5 boxes of corners)


## Step 3: Account for Doors \& Windows:

- Calculate square feet accounted for by the door(s):
- Project has 1 door that is 3 feet wide
- 3 feet wide x stone height of 3 feet $=9 \mathrm{sq} \mathrm{ft}$
- Calculate square feet accounted for by the window(s):
- Project has 1 window that is 4 feet wide, bottom if window is 2 feet above the bottom of the house, sitting 1 foot below the top of the stone
- 4 feet wide $\times 1$ foot tall $=4 \mathrm{sq} \mathrm{ft}$
- Combine the square feet for windows and doors $=9 \mathrm{sq} \mathrm{ft}+4 \mathrm{sq} \mathrm{ft}=$

13 sq ft of area accounted for by doors and windows

## Step 4: Finish figuring Flat \& Corner panel needs:

- Subtract Corner Stone coverage from Overall square feet needed:
- 105 Overall sq ft minus 31.5 sq ft of corner coverage $=$ 73.5 square feet of Flat coverage
- Subtract Door \& Window coverage from Flat coverage:
- 73.5 square feet minus $13 \mathrm{sq} \mathrm{ft}=$ 60.5 sq ft of Flats
- Determine Boxes of Flats
- Each box of Flats contains 8 sq ft of coverage
- 60.5 sq ft of Flats divided by 8 sq ft per box= 7.56 Boxes of flats


## 8 full boxes of Flats

## Step 5: Determine Sills (if needed)

- Measure length of all walls:
- Wall 1: 15' long
- Wall 2: 4' long
- Wall 3: 12' long
- Wall 4: 4' long

Total length $=35^{\prime}$ long

- Account for Door(s) \& Window(s)
- Door 1: $3^{\prime}$ wide
- Window 1: 4' wide

Total width of Door(s) \& Window(s) = 7' wide

- Subtract Door \& Window width from wall length
- $35^{\prime}-7^{\prime}=22^{\prime}$ of Sills needed
- Sills are $3^{\prime}$ long and come in boxes of three ( $9^{\prime}$ per box)
- $22^{\prime}$ feet of Sills needed for project divided by $3^{\prime}$ per sill $=7.33$ Sills


## 8 full Sills will be required or 3 boxes of Sills

## Step 6: Calculate Fasteners

- 24 Fasteners are needed for each box of Flats \& Corners
- $24 \times 8$ boxes of Flats $=192$
- $24 \times 5$ boxes of Corners $=120$
- 12 Fasteners are needed for each box of Sills
- $12 \times 3$ Boxes of Sills $=36$

348 Total Fasteners Needed $=4$ packets of 100 Fasteners
Final Step: Total needs for project:

- 8 boxes of Flats
- 5 boxes of Corners
- 3 boxes of Sills
- $\mathbf{4}$ packets of 100 fasteners

