

# Environmental Product Declaration

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## Porcelain Tile from

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SERAMİK

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## About

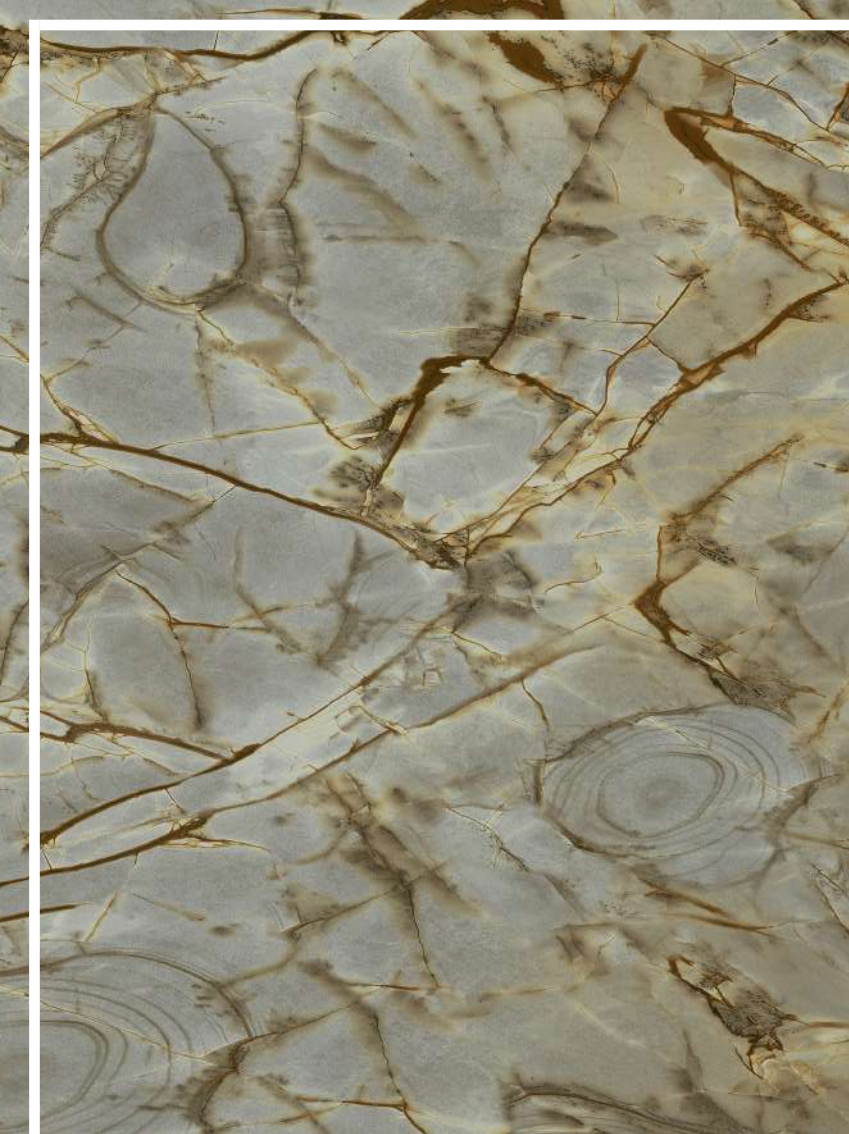
# NG Kütahya Seramaik

NG Kütahya Seramik sets the trends in its sector with its firsts, innovations and distinctive designs. Ceramics of 120x240 cm, 120x120 cm and 30x240 cm sizes are produced by NG Kütahya Seramik for the first time in Turkey. NG Kütahya Seramik, which adds a unique, contemporary and luxurious look to living spaces by equipping its innovative sized collections with architectural and aesthetic touches, reflects the plain beauty of nature to spaces with its high technology.

NG Kütahya Seramik, the owner of many international design awards, won the "IF Product Design 2011" award with its Versatile collection in 2011. NG Kütahya Seramik was also the first and only ceramic brand in the world which was awarded the "Red Dot Design Award Best" award within the same year. With its three-dimensional series Nexus, it received an award in the product design category at the "Red Dot Design Award. NG Kütahya Seramik, which brings the world's most modern and advanced technologies to the Turkish ceramic industry, won the Best Industrial Building Award twice in the "Sign of the City Awards" contest.

In Super brands 2016-2017; it was selected as Turkey's Super Brand with its innovative dimensions, modern technology, distinctive designs and international awards. NG Kütahya Seramik, which has always been a pioneer in the industry, became "Turkey's Most Respected Ceramic Brand" in the ceramic category of the 2019 Turkey Reputation Index Survey. It has been selected as the "Diamond Brand of Turkey" for two years in a row in the 2019-2020 Economic Benefit Index (EFE), which was carried out jointly by the Turkish Reputation Academy and Yıldız Technical University.

# 03 About Product



Ceramic tiles are primarily made of naturally occurring materials such as kaolin, clay and feldspar, but they may also include other raw materials such as marble, frit, dolomite, bentonite and quartz. The required composition is blended with water to form uniform slurry, which is generally referred as “masse”. This slurry is then fed into spray driers to form uniform granules ready for compaction.

These granules are shaped to form the bisque or green body. This can be glazed or left unglazed depending on its intended use. The green ceramic body is fired at high temperatures, resulting in a hard body. Floor tiles tend to have better mechanical strength compared to wall tiles, due to their lower porosity. Depending on the use, tiles might be glazed to control abrasion and slip resistance.



# 04 Technical Specifications

Technical Specifications	Turkish and AND European Standards		Standard Numbers
	EN 14411 ANNEX G Grup B1a Eb ≤ % 0,5		Test Method
Length and width	7 cm ≤ N < 15cm +/- 0,9 mm	N ≥ 15cm +/- % 0,6 +/- 2 mm	EN ISO 10545-2
Thickness	7 cm ≤ N < 15cm +/- 0,5 mm	N ≥ 15cm +/- % 5 +/- 0,5 mm	EN ISO 10545-2
Straightness of sides	7 cm ≤ N < 15cm +/- 0,75 mm	N ≥ 15cm +/- % 0,5 +/- 1,5 mm	EN ISO 10545-2
Rectangularity	7 cm ≤ N < 15cm +/- 0,75 mm	N ≥ 15cm +/- % 0,5 +/- 2,0 mm	EN ISO 10545-2
Surface flatness	7 cm ≤ N < 15cm + 0,75 mm	N ≥ 15cm +/- % 0,5 +/-2,0mm	EN ISO 10545-2
Water absorption	Eb ≤ % 0,5		EN ISO 10545-3
Breaking strength	Thickness ≥ 7,5 mm Min:1300 N	Thickness < 7,5 mm Min:700 N	EN ISO 10545-4
Strength or modulus of rupture	Min:35 N/mm²		EN ISO 10545-4
Abrasion resistance (unglazed)	Maximum 175 mm³		EN ISO 10545-6
Abrasion resistance (glazed)	"Abrasion class : II - IV (Abrasion class and cycles passed)"		EN ISO 10545-7
Coefficient of linear thermal expansion	Declared value		EN ISO 10545-8
Thermal shock resistance	Required		EN ISO 10545-9
Crazing resistance	Required		EN ISO 10545-11
Frost resistance	Required		EN ISO 10545-12
Slipperiness	Declared value		CEN/TS 16165
Bond strength/adhesion (for cementitious adhesives)	Declared value		EN 12004:2007+A1
Moisture expansion	Declared value		EN ISO 10545-10
Small colour differences (for solid color tiles)	Glazed tiles: Δ Ecmc < 0,75 / Unglazed tiles :Δ Ecmc < 1,0		EN ISO 10545-16
Impact resistance	Declared value		EN ISO 10545-5
Reaction to fire	(Class A1 or A1FL)		-
Resistance to staining	Glazed tiles Min:Class3 / Unglazed tiles:Declared value		EN ISO 10545-14
Resistance to chemicals	"Resistance to high and low concentrations of acids and alkalis: Declared value Resistance to household chemicals and swimming pool salts: Min:B"		EN ISO 10545-13
Release of dangerous substances	Declared value		EN ISO 10545-15

Raw Metarial	Composition (%)
Feldspar	60-70
Clay	10-20
Industrial Sludge	10-20
Others	0-5

Packaging Material	Weight (%/m²)
Cardboard	97.2
Plastic	2.6
Paper	0.8
Others	<1



## Usage Areas

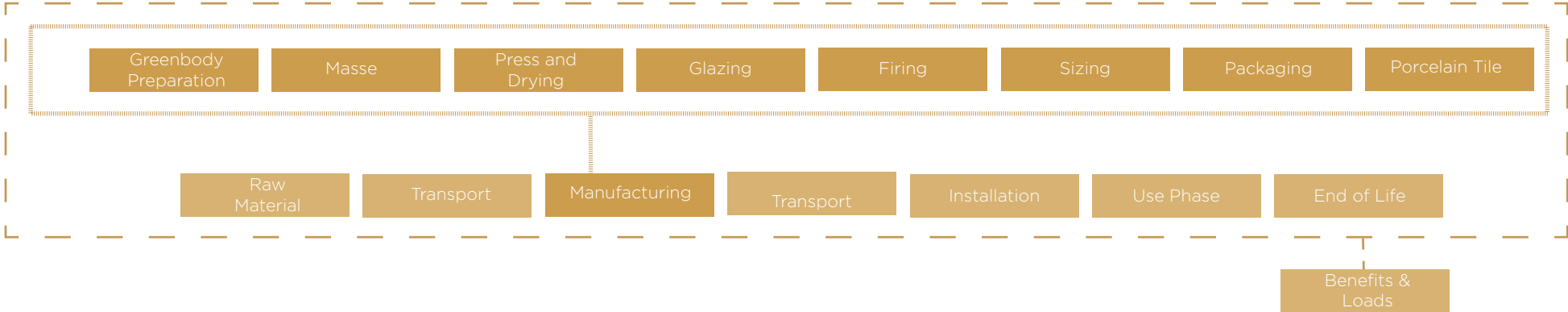
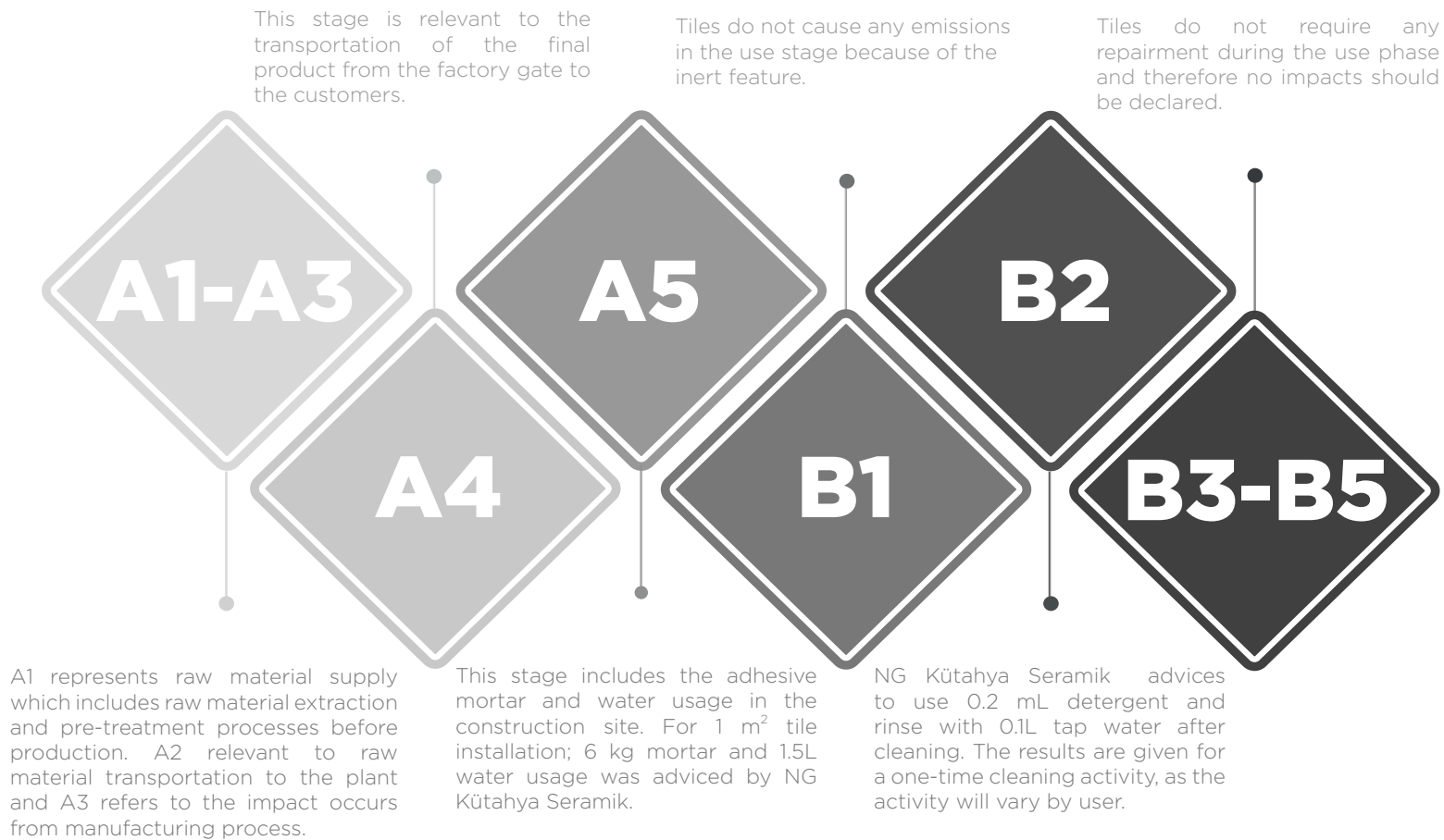
Ceramic Wall, Floor and Porcelain Tiles manufactured in the production plant of NG Kütahya are largely used as interior and exterior wall coverings. Thanks to their superior technical characteristics, the products may be utilized in the following areas:

- Commercial buildings (shopping centres, hotels, offices, banks, restaurants, stores, etc., areas with heavy circulation),
- Residential areas (luxurious houses, villas etc.),
- Public buildings (justice halls, municipality buildings, etc.),
- Education and cultural buildings (schools, theatres, cultural centres, etc.),
- Floors, walls and exterior facades; and
- Floors of outdoor facilities such as gardens, terraces, poolside and recreation areas.

Interior applications are mainly in bathrooms and kitchens in residential applications while the exterior applications can include swimming pools, facades, commercial and industrial applications etc. For interior applications, floor tiles should be selected regarding the technical specifications such as PEI value, hardness, stain resistance, chemical resistance and easy cleaning, if they are to be used in the interiors of a residence.

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## System Boundary





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Deconstruction of tiles at the end of their life is done manually. So no impact occurs in this module.

Environmental impacts generated during the crushing of discarded tiles before recycle or reuse are

Inert filler benefits and recycling of packaging materials specified in the disposal stage.



Tiles do not require any water and energy in the use phase and therefore no impacts occurred in this module.

Waste transport includes discarded tiles and mortar to disposal area. Distance from demolition site to inert landfill site for final disposal is assumed as 50 km.

Tiles end up at construction and demolition waste landfills at their end of life and modelled as such in this LCA.

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# LCA RESULTS





## Goal and Scope

Evaluation of environmental impacts for 1 m<sup>2</sup> average tiles from cradle to grave.

## System Boundary

The system boundary of the Kütahya Seramik Tiles are cradle to grave with module D.

Information on biogenic carbon content according to EN 15804+A2		
Biogenic Carbon Content	Unit	Quantity
Biogenic carbon content in product	kg C	0.023
Biogenic carbon content in packaging	kg C	-0.013

	Product Stage			Construction Process Stage		Use Stage							End of Life Stage				Benefits and Loads
	Raw Materials Supply	Transport	Manufacturing	Transport From the Gate to the Site	Assembly	Use	Maintenance	Repair	Replacement	Refurbishment	Operational Energy Use	Operational Water Use	Deconstruction & Demolition	Transport	Waste Processing	Disposal	Reuse-Recycling-Recovery Potential
Module	A1	A2	A3	A4	A5	B1	B2	B3	B4	B5	B6	B7	C1	C2	C3	C4	D
Modules Declared	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Geography	GLO	TR	GLO														
Specific Data Used	>90%					-											
Variation - products	0%					-											
Variation - Sites	0%					-											

(X = Included in LCA, ND= Not Declared, NR=Not Relevant)

## REACH Regulation

No substances included in the Candidate List of Substances of Very High Concern for authorization under the REACH regulations are present in this product either above the threshold for registration with the European Chemicals Agency or above 0.1% (wt/wt)

## Database and LCA Software

Ecoinvent 3.8 and SimaPro 9.3 is used for the calculation.

## Data Quality

Raw materials, energy and water consumption, waste generation, material and product transport data are primary data collected from NG Kütahya Seramik.

## Period Under Review

All primary data collected from Kütahya Seramik is for the period year of 2022.

## Declared Unit

1 m<sup>2</sup> average tile with an average weight of 18.9 kg and a thickness of 8 mm.

## Geographical Scope

The geographical scope of this EPD is Global.

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Resource Use												
Indicator	Unit	A1-A3	A4	A5	B1	B2	B3-B7	C1	C2	C3	C4	D
PERE	MJ	5.49	0.418	6.07	0	0.019	0	0	0.049	0	0.123	-0.222
PERM	MJ	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
PERT	MJ	5.49	0.418	6.07	0	0.019	0	0	0.049	0	0.123	-0.222
PENRE	MJ	145	25.0	95.2	0	0.006	0	0	3.64	0	7.19	-10.2
PENRM	MJ	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
PENRT	MJ	145	25.0	95.2	0	0.006	0	0	3.64	0	7.19	-10.2
SM	MJ	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
RSF	MJ	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
NRSF	MJ	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
FW	m³	0.135	0.004	0.092	0	3.00E-04	0	0	0.001	0	0.008	-0.067
Acronyms	PERE: Use of renewable primary energy excluding resources used as raw materials, PERM: Use of renewable primary energy resources used as raw materials, PERT: Total use of renewable primary energy, PENRE: Use of non-renewable primary energy excluding resources used as raw materials, PENRM: Use of non-renewable primary energy resources used as raw materials, PENRT: Total use of non-renewable primary energy, SM: Secondary material, RSF: Renewable secondary fuels, NRSF: Non-renewable secondary fuels, FW: Net use of fresh water.											
Waste Output Flows												
Indicator	Unit	A1-A3	A4	A5	B1	B2	B3-B7	C1	C2	C3	C4	D
HWD	kg	2.16E-07	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
NHWD	kg	3.10E-07	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	24.9	0
RWD	kg	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
CRU	kg	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
MFR	kg	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
MER	kg	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
EE(Electrical)	MJ	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
EE(Thermal)	MJ	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Acronyms	HWD: Hazardous waste disposed, NHWD: Non-hazardous waste disposed, RWD: Radioactive waste disposed, CRU: Components for reuse, MFR: Material for recycling, MER: Materials for energy recovery, EE (Electrical): Exported energy electrical, EE (Thermal): Exported energy, Thermal.											
Climate Impact												
Indicator	Unit	A1-A3	A4	A5	B1	B2	B3-B7	C1	C2	C3	C4	D
*GHG-GWP	kg CO <sub>2</sub> eq	9.09	1.65	6.45	0	0.001	0	0	7.60	0	0.326	-0.709
GHG-GWP = Global Warming Potential total excl. biogenic carbon following IPCC AR5 methodology * The indicator includes all greenhouse gases included in GWP-total but excludes biogenic carbon dioxide uptake and emissions and biogenic carbon stored in the product. This indicator is thus equal to the GWP indicator originally defined in EN 15804:2012+A1:2013												
Legend	A1: Raw Material Supply. A2: Transport. A3: Manufacturing. A1-A3: Sum of A1. A2. and A3. A4: Transport to Site. A5: Installation. B1: Use. B2: Maintenance. B3: Repair. B4: Replacement. B5: Refurbishment. B6:Operational Energy Use. B7: Operational Water Use C1: De-Construction. C2: Waste Transport. C3: Waste Processing. C4: Disposal. D: Benefits and Loads Beyond the System Boundary.											

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