

Allure™

Aluminum Photo Panels for Direct Aqueous Printing

Quick Start Guide- For Allure Full Bleed Carrier



WHAT YOU NEED

PRINTER

Allure Aqueous sheets can be fed right through most Epson large-format printers. Below are models that we currently recommend. **Note:** Epson P20000 and 10000 models have a horizontal feed path, which will reduce the likelihood that the sheet could skew during printing.

- > Epson P20000 (64" wide, 9 color) | P10000 (44" wide, 9 color)
- > Epson P9000 (44" wide, 10 color) | P7000 (24" wide, 10 color)
- > Epson P8000 (44" wide, 8 color) | P6000 (24" wide, 8 color)

For a full list of compatible printers, visit: tiny.cc/print-allure

ROLL LAMINATOR

We have found film laminate to be the ideal method for protecting the printed Allure metal. It adds a durable, physical layer between the print and the elements, and also adds depth to the print. Use different finishes of film laminate (gloss, satin, matte, etc.) to achieve your desired finished look. You can get even more creative with films like dry erase, 3d holographic, and others!

To get the smoothest, and cleanest photographic surface to your print, we have found it best to use a thick, polyester, pressure sensitive, scratch-resistant laminate film.

Below, we've provided some recommendations for both lamination machines and laminate film. Note that if you are planning to run volume production, we strongly recommend selecting either the 55" or 63" model laminators.

Roll Laminators

- > Drytac JM26 (26" wide)
- > Drytac JM34 (34" wide)
- > Drytac JM55 (55" wide)

[Shop Drytac Laminators](#)

Laminate Film

- > Quartz Anti-Scratch, Gloss, 5mil
- > Quartz Anti-Scratch, Matte, 5mil
- > Quartz Anti-Scratch, Luster, 5mil

[Shop Quartz Laminate](#)

MOUNTING FRAME

Our Ready-to-Hang Bars were designed as the perfect mounting system for Allure metal sheets. We use industrial strength double-sided tape to allow you to easily adhere the frame to the back of the print. Your finished print will hang perfectly flush, giving you a perfect amount of drop shadow and distance from the wall.

Our wood frame bars are sold in 9.5' length moulding as well as preassembled ready-made sizes. We recommend using 3M 4496B double-sided tape.

[Shop Ready-to-Hang Frame Kits](#)

STEP 1

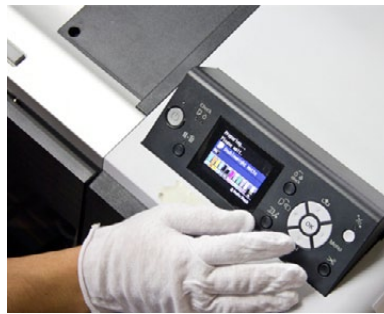
Remove the Protective Release Liner



Carefully remove the protective release liner on each sheet before use. The release liner is a thin clear film and can be difficult to see.

STEP 2

Loading the sheet



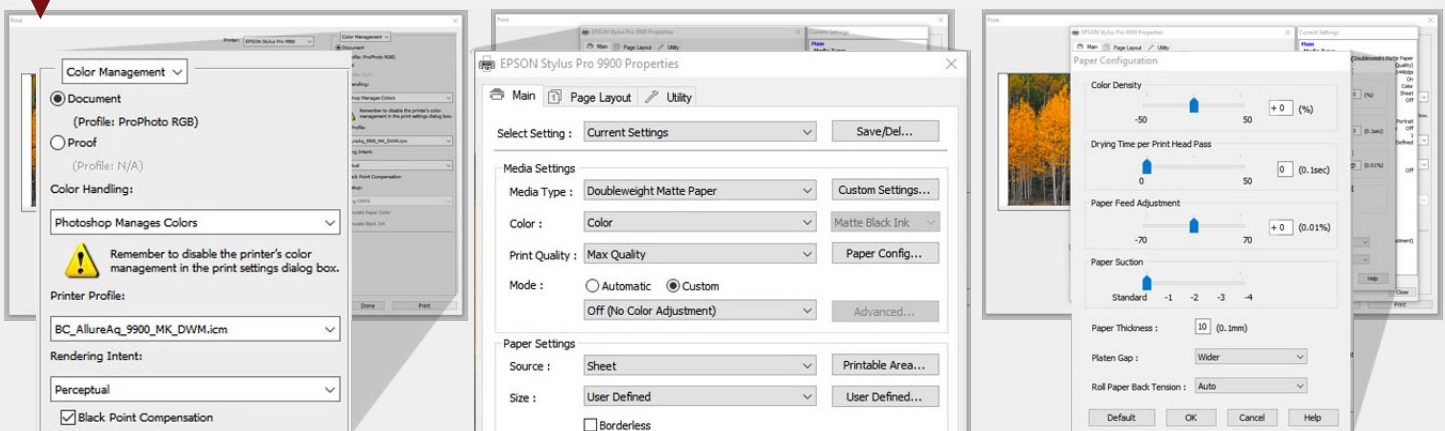
Always make sure the Platen Gap/Head Height setting on your printer is set to the highest/widest possible setting.

Allure aluminum panels load into your Epson® printer not unlike a normal sheet of paper or canvas. Simply follow your printer's recommended sheet loading procedure. We recommend the **'Double Weight Matte'** media type setting, with a **'Wider'** platen gap.

STEP 3

Configure Printer Settings

Printing onto an Allure panel is very similar to printing on other sheets, with only a few minor adjustments to accommodate for the thickness. Here is an example of recommended printer settings. Keep in mind settings vary depending on the printer you're using.



STEP 4

Now Print!



That's It! You're all finished printing your metal photo panel!



Now onto Lamination!

Checkout our Quartz Laminate Quick Start Guide!