

# GAMMA DG



REVOLUTIONARY SYSTEM FOR  
DIGITAL PRINTING OF STRUCTURES  
ON CERAMIC TILES

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# TECHNOLOGICAL INNOVATION

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The revolutionary Gamma DG Series is designed for digitally printing of structures in high definition on flat tiles with ceramic glazes, maintaining the esthetical characteristics, technical properties and economic benefits of traditional ceramic glazes.

The visual and tactile effects obtained with Gamma DG make the final product look extremely natural and hardly distinguishable from natural materials by offering the following benefits:

- > Total design flexibility.
- > Develop completely new, innovative, and unique tile collections with unlimited structures in perfect registration with the design, not possible with current traditional methods.
- > Strongly visible added value to the final product through new visual and tactile effects.
- > Extremely natural and stunning 3-dimensional look maintaining the superior properties of ceramics compare to other flooring alternatives.
- > Increased production automation to assure the needed flexibility and efficiency for a future 'on-demand-production' and inventory optimization.





## EXTREMELY REALISTIC STONE & MARBLE

Immediately noticeable added value: high resolution and graded structure printed with Durst Gamma DG (RockJET™ and VariStructure™ variable glaze printing technologies).

Printed on a flat ceramic tile in total correspondence with the graphics printed with a fully synchronized Gamma XD decor printer for an extremely realistic, natural look and feel.







## NATURAL WOOD WITH CERAMIC PROPERTIES

Gamma DG digital structure printing in perfect match with the décor creates a stunning 3-dimensional depth effect making it visually and tactile difficult to distinguish from natural products, while having all the superior properties and characteristics of ceramic tiles.





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# SUBSTANTIAL PRODUCT DIVERSIFICATION

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Product differentiation through more colors/effects will not led to success as this is based on existing technologies and can therefore be copied very rapidly. In addition, it will only complicate the whole process from development to production, add additional cost without providing a clearly visible and appreciated value added by the end consumer.

Substantial and successful differentiation will only be possible through a real technological innovation as offered by the revolutionary Gamma DG digital structure printing technology in combination with a synchronized

Gamma XD décor printer, providing completely new design possibilities not available with current technologies.

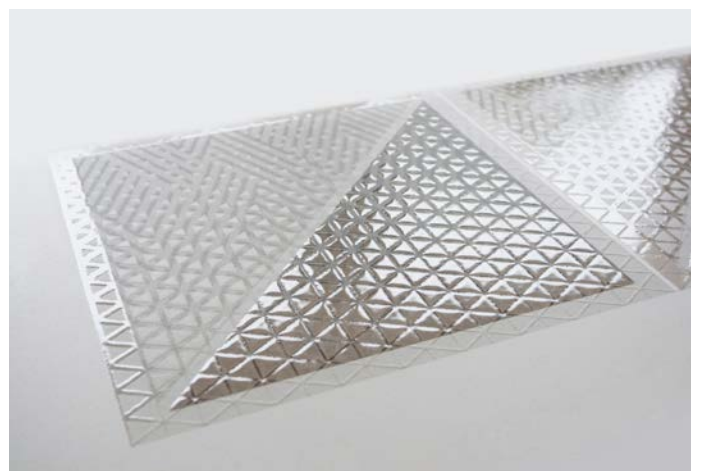
The extreme fidelity in the reproduction of an unlimited number of structures in high definition and in total correspondence with the graphics allows for the first time to produce tiles with a strongly visible value added, which significantly differentiates such tiles from those made with traditional technologies with very limited and therefore repetitive structures and not in register with the design.



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Gamma DG offers a very high resolution and quality of details to provide a total design/structure flexibility for floor and wall tiles from natural stone, marble, wood to graphical patterns, or combinations of it.



Simultaneous printing of different glazes, matt & glossy, onto the same tile (realized with Gamma DG version with 2 glaze bars)

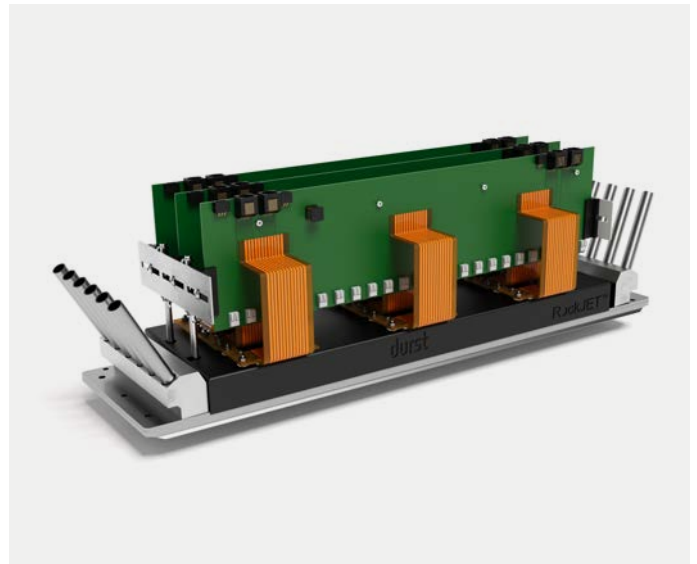
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# REVOLUTIONARY PRINT HEAD TECHNOLOGY DESIGNED FOR THE FUTURE

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The core technology is the proprietary and patented Durst RockJET™ print head specifically developed and manufactured by Durst for digital printing of ceramic glazes with similar characteristics and properties of traditional glazes.

The revolutionary innovation is that Durst RockJET™ is the first print head able to print on flat surfaces glazes with very large particle sizes (>45 microns) and with high viscosities to create important and highly defined structures with significant amounts of glazes applied in a targeted manner. In combination with the Durst VariStructure™ technology for a controlled, variable laydown very smooth transitions for a very realistic and natural look can be obtained.

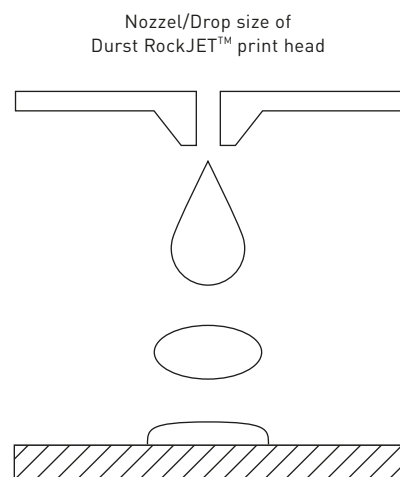
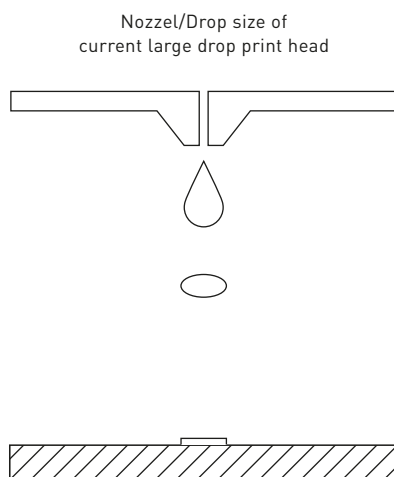


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## HIGH LAYDOWN AT STANDARD LINE SPEEDS

With the Durst RockJET™ print head technology the Gamma DG has a glaze discharge capacity of up to 1 kg/m<sup>2</sup> per single glaze bar of high viscosity glaze at

20 m/min., which is substantially higher than any other large drop print head.

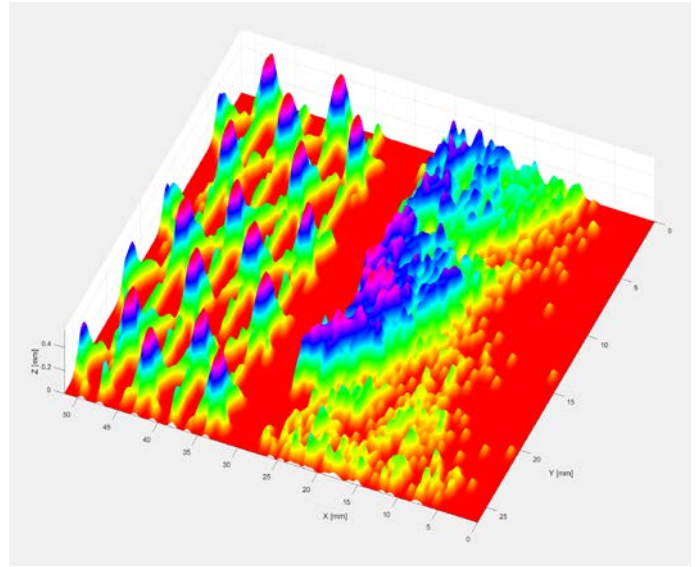
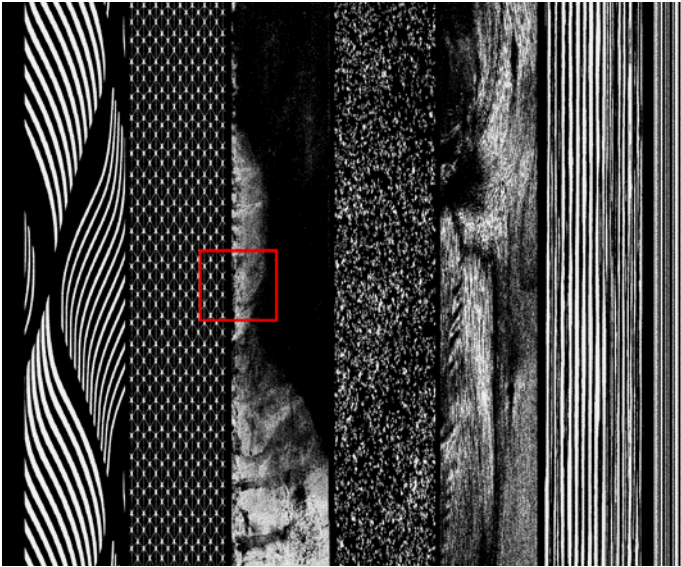


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# DIGITAL PRINTING OF STRUCTURES ON FLAT TILES FOR INCREASED PRODUCTION FLEXIBILITY

Durst RockJET™ print head technology can handle fluids with much higher viscosities to create strongly visible and very defined structures, thus allowing to work with flat

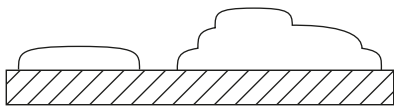
molds and create unlimited number of structures digitally for an ultimate flexible production.



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## VARISTRUCTURE™ TECHNOLOGY

The Durst VariStructure™ technology allows to control the laydown in a very precise and repeatable way to provide an extremely natural look.



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# GAMMA DG

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## Glaze print engine

With Durst RockJET™ print heads  
(True waterbased glazes > 45 microns)

## Tile guiding & centering

For printing in perfect registration

## External main glaze tank

For fast & easy operation

## Fast glaze loading/changing

User guided procedures for emptying,  
cleaning and filling glaze

## Glaze control & filtering

To assure reliable performance





## Dual gullwing doors

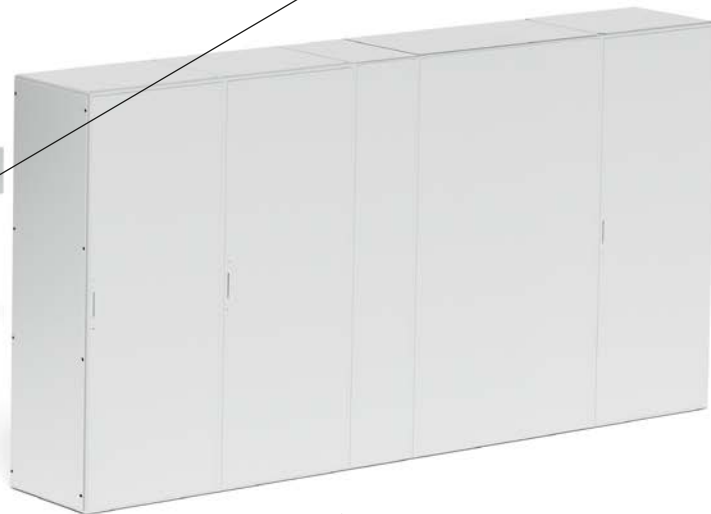
For easy maintenance  
and service access

## User interface

Durst Software powered with 64 Bit Linux  
workstation for fast data handling

## Belt cleaning

Continuous, automatic belt  
cleaning with water



## Control tower

Electronics/power supply

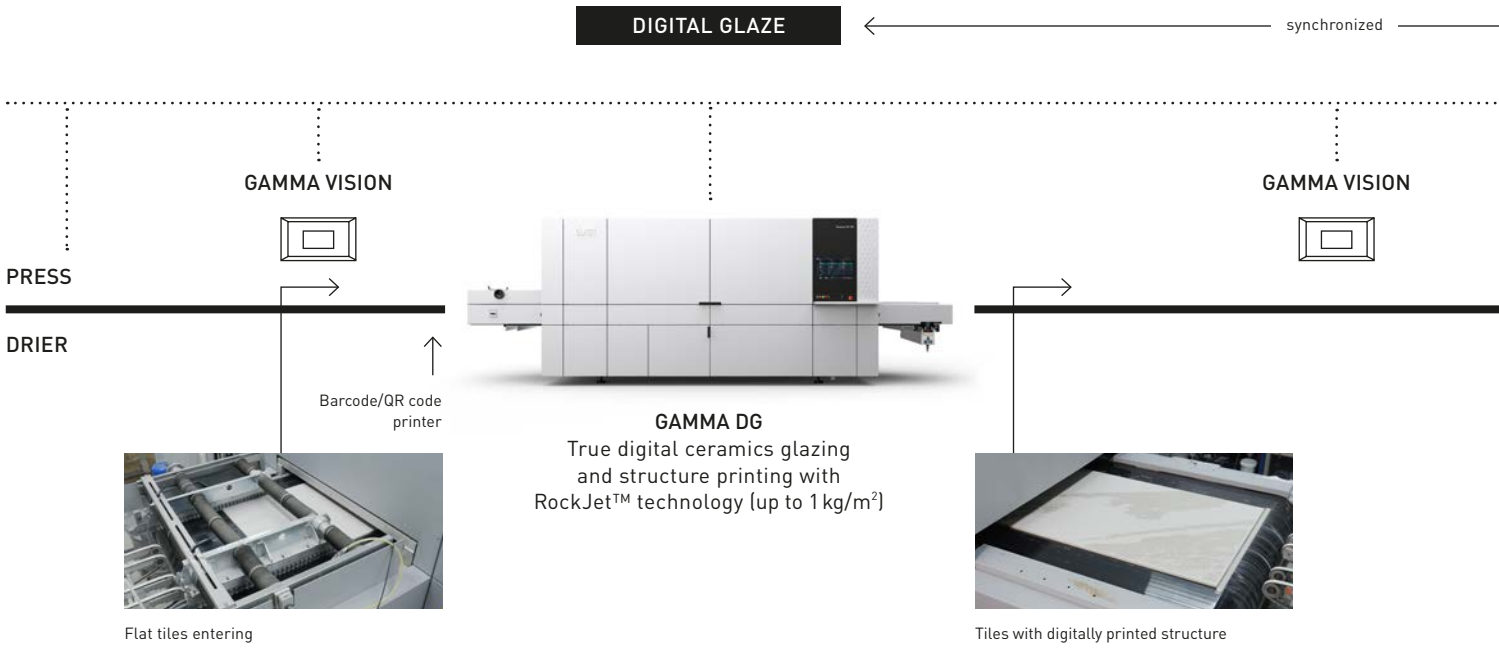
## Automatic print head cleaning

Synchronized with Gamma XD

# TRUE DIGITAL TILE PRODUCTION

The complete digitalization of the glazing lines has long been a wish of all tile manufacturers in order to make the entire production process more flexible and cost-effective. On the one hand the optimization and reduction of batches to optimize sales and storage with guaranteed

repeatability, while on the other hand new possibilities for the development of innovative products in the tile sector with an unlimited number of structures in perfect match with the décor to imitate nature.

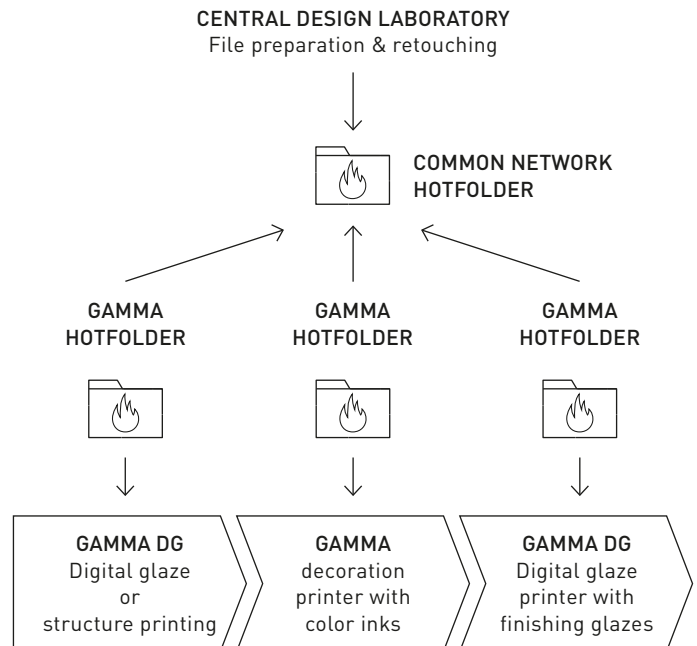


## WORKFLOW AUTOMATION

Durst Gamma offers the most flexible and most efficient way of operation featuring different workflow solution to suit different customer needs.

With the optional HotFolder operation all jobs can be centrally prepared and automatically sent to the printing queue of each printer ready to print.

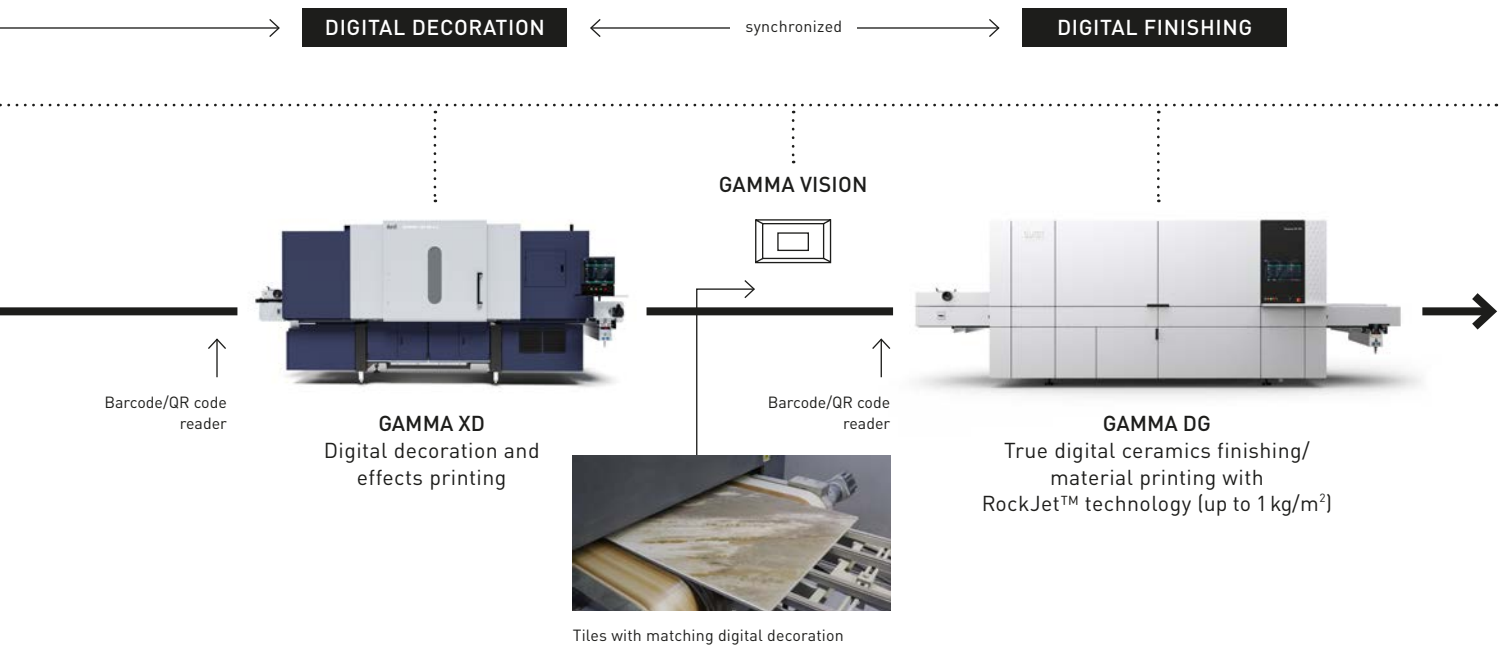
- > Fully automated job creation based on preset job settings
- > Fast and secure operation





Digital printing of unlimited structures with Gamma DG fully synchronized with the décor printer (Gamma XD) provides a full digital tile production process without exchanging or adjusting mechanical parts when changing products, regardless of batch size.

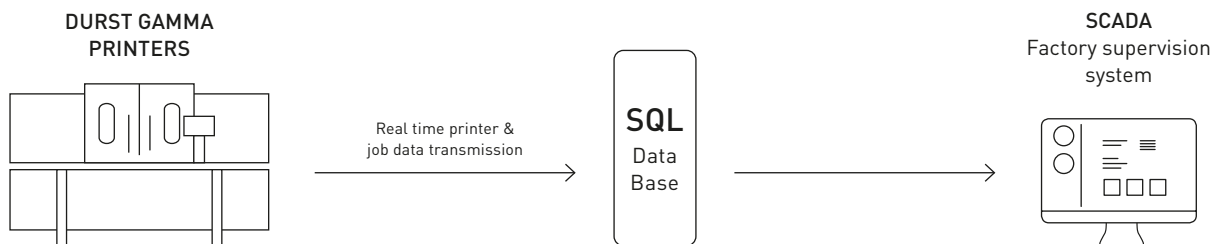
Gamma DG guarantees a perfect synchronization with the Durst Gamma XD decoration printers at digital file & image processing level, important to maximize the advantage of digital glaze/structure printing with variable structure and design match.



## INDUSTRY 4.0

Optional function for a bi-directional connectivity with real time data exchange via standardized SQL data base for an efficient production control and monitoring with all major

central factory supervision and business management systems.



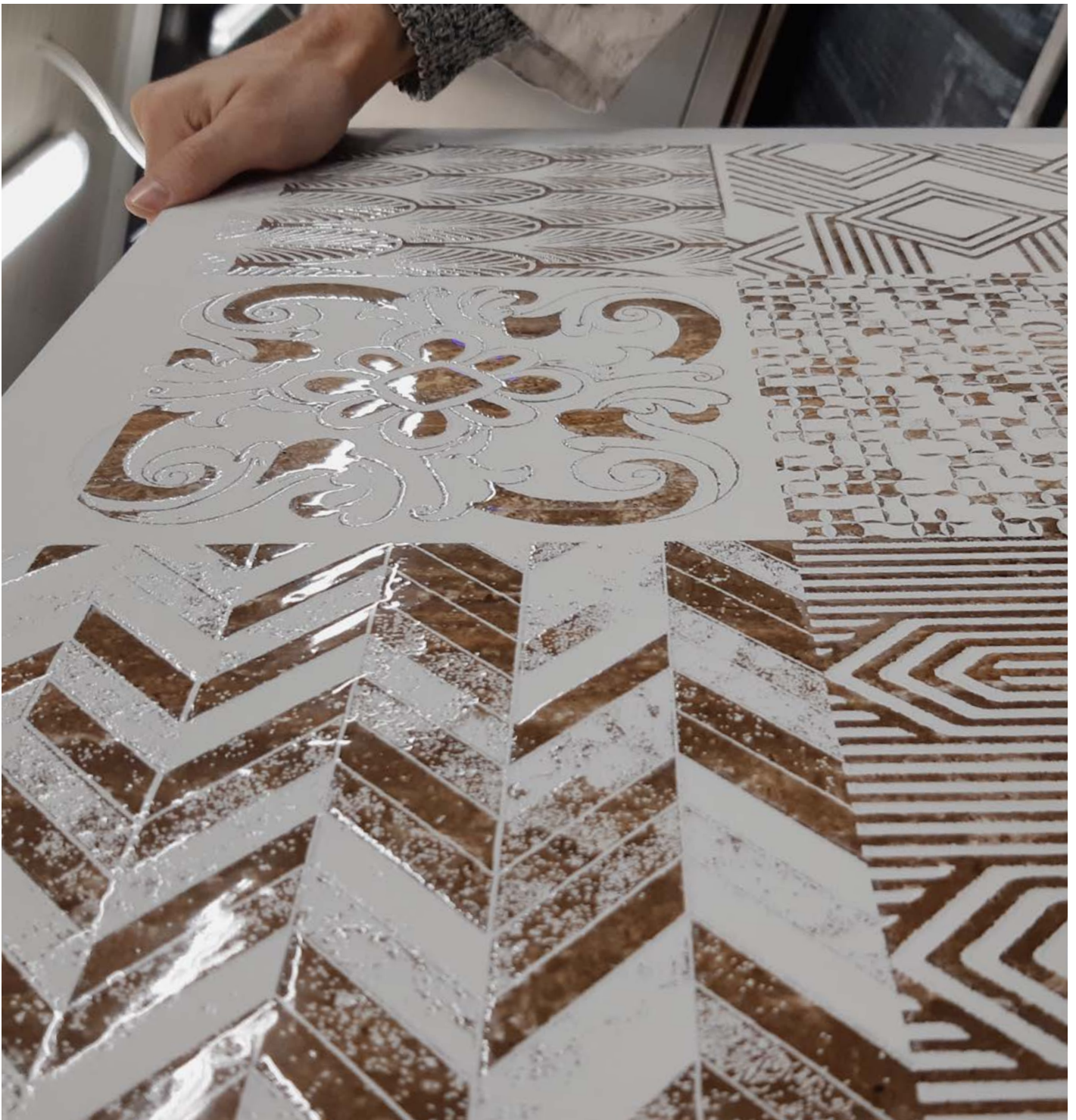
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# TEST MULTIPLE STRUCTURES ON THE SAME TILE

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Digital structure printing with Durst Gamma DG also brings important advantages in the development and industrialization phase of new products.

It is now possible to test several different structures on a single tile without both additional costs (production of different mechanical molds) including retooling in case of necessary modifications.



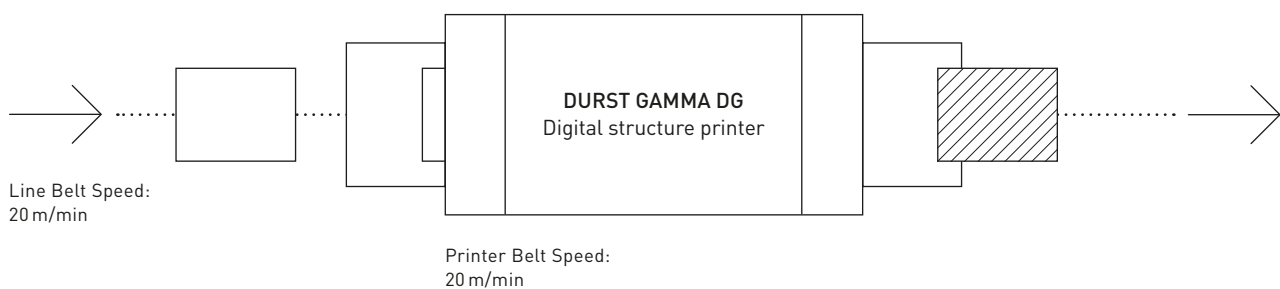


# SINGLE OR DUAL LINE OPERATION

Depending on tile sizes and line speed requirements the Gamma DG can either be operated with a single line (standard configuration) or with an optional dual line

operation through two completely independent printing queues.

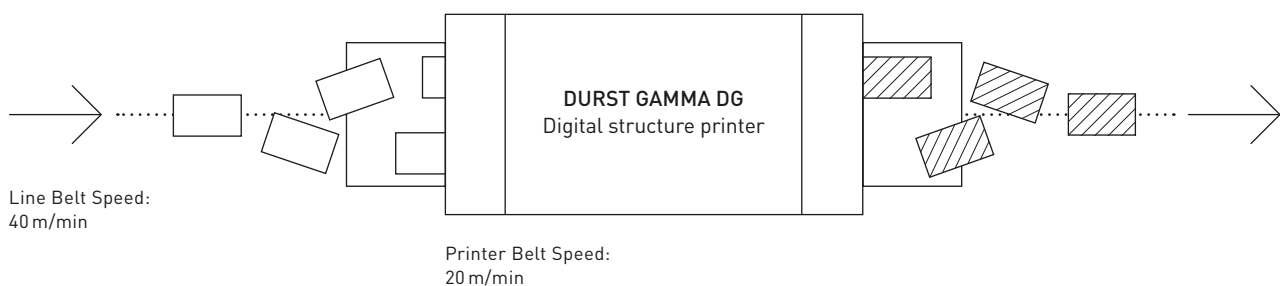
## SINGLE LINE OPERATION FOR LARGER TILES WITH/OR LINE SPEEDS UP TO 20M/MIN.



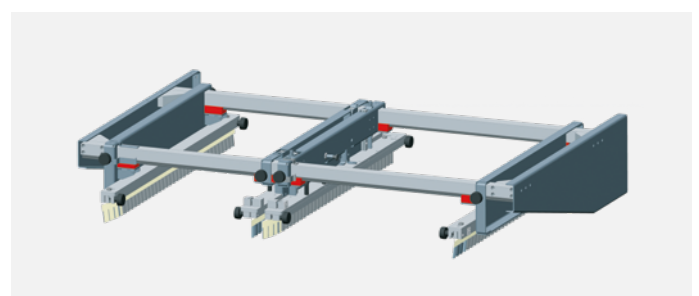
## OPTIONAL DUAL LINE OPERATION FOR SMALLER TILES WITH LINE SPEEDS >20 M/MIN.

This allows printing either the same job/images on both lines for smaller tiles with line speeds greater than 20 m/min. or completely different jobs/images on different tile sizes (width and length) on each line, which means 2 printers in one. Each line has his own sensor to detect if a

tile is coming and to start the decoration in register to the tile as today in single line printing.



Special tile guiding system with two individually adjustable tile guides and possibility to quickly change from single to double line and vice versa. Each tile guiding can be individually adjusted to its desired position and the inner two tile guides can quickly be moved up for switching to single line operation or to run a test of a larger tile size.







# SUSTAINABLE & COST SAVING TECHNOLOGY

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- > On-Demand-Production = optimized use of resources
- > Water-based glazes for low emissions
- > Drastically reduced glaze waste
- > Reduced water consumption for cleaning
- > Economical short runs
- > No mold inventory
- > Short total time from design creation to finished product
- > Minimized downtime/optimized energy utilization



# TECHNICAL DATA

## Printer dimensions

Gamma 101DG: 6390mmx2300mm (LxW)

Gamma 141DG: 6390mmx2431mm (LxW)

## Space requirement enclosure dimensions

Gamma 101DG: Min. 8400x5300mm (LxW)

Gamma 141DG: Min. 8400x5430mm (LxW)

## Printer weight

Gamma 101DG: Approx. 5500kg/12125lb

Gamma 141DG: Approx. 7000kg/15435lb

## Power supply

230/400V AC 3-phase + N (+/-10%), 50/60 cycles,

Gamma 101DG: 40KVA (55A)

Gamma 141DG: 45KVA (65A)

## Configuration

Printer can be factory-configured for right- or left-hand operation

## Installation

Gamma DG can be installed with or without enclosure

## Water connection

Filtered and softened tap water for print head and glaze circuit cleaning Connection ¾ inches (DN20), 80l/min.

## Compressed air connection

Filtered, oil-free compressed air for print head and glaze circuit cleaning Connection/supply: ½ inch (DN15), 900l/min, air pressure 6.5 bar

## Network connection

For file transfer, communication between synchronized printers and devices and Industry 4.0 functions

## Software

Proprietary, patented 64 Bit LINUX based Durst Gamma software with comprehensive and fast job preparation and monitoring

## Printing technology

Durst proprietary, patented RockJET™ print head technology

## Glaze supply & cleaning

External main glaze tank and internal secondary glaze circuit with continuous recirculation and heating for nonstop operation. Fast and user guided glaze circuit emptying, cleaning and refill. Changing glaze type in approx. 1h

## Glaze type

True water-based glazes with very low organic content and 45 µm particle sizes. Open System – Cooperation in place with all major glaze manufacturer

## Glaze laydown

Up to 1 kg/m<sup>2</sup>

## Belt speed

Up to 20m/min depending on resolution

## Tile width (un-fired)

Gamma 101DG: From 100 to 1000mm depending on printer configuration

Gamma 141DG: From 100 to 1400mm depending on printer configuration

## Gamma 101DG

Printing Width	No. Print Heads	Gamma 141DG Printing Width	No. Print Heads
292 mm	8 (2x4)	292 mm	8 (2x4)
438 mm	12 (3x4)	438 mm	12 (3x4)
584 mm	16 (4x4)	584 mm	16 (4x4)
731 mm	20 (5x4)	731 mm	20 (5x4)
877 mm	24 (6x4)	877 mm	24 (6x4)
1000 mm	28 (7x4)	1000 mm	28 (7x4)
		1170 mm	32 (8x4)
		1310 mm	36 (9x4)
		1400 mm	40 (10x4)

## Tile thickness (un-fired)

6 to 35mm

## Tile temperature

Max. 75 to 80 °C

## Ambient temperature range

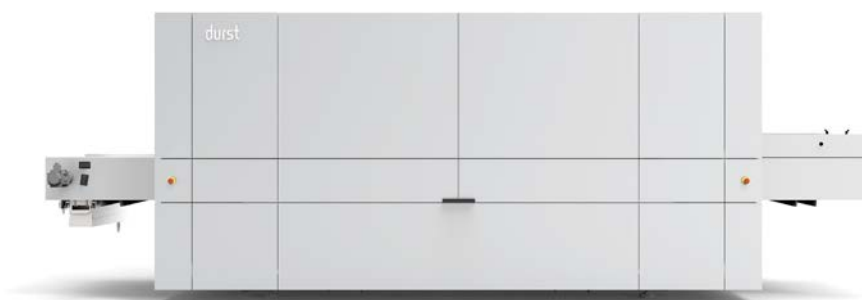
+5 °C to +40 °C (+41 °F to 104 °F)

## Relative humidity

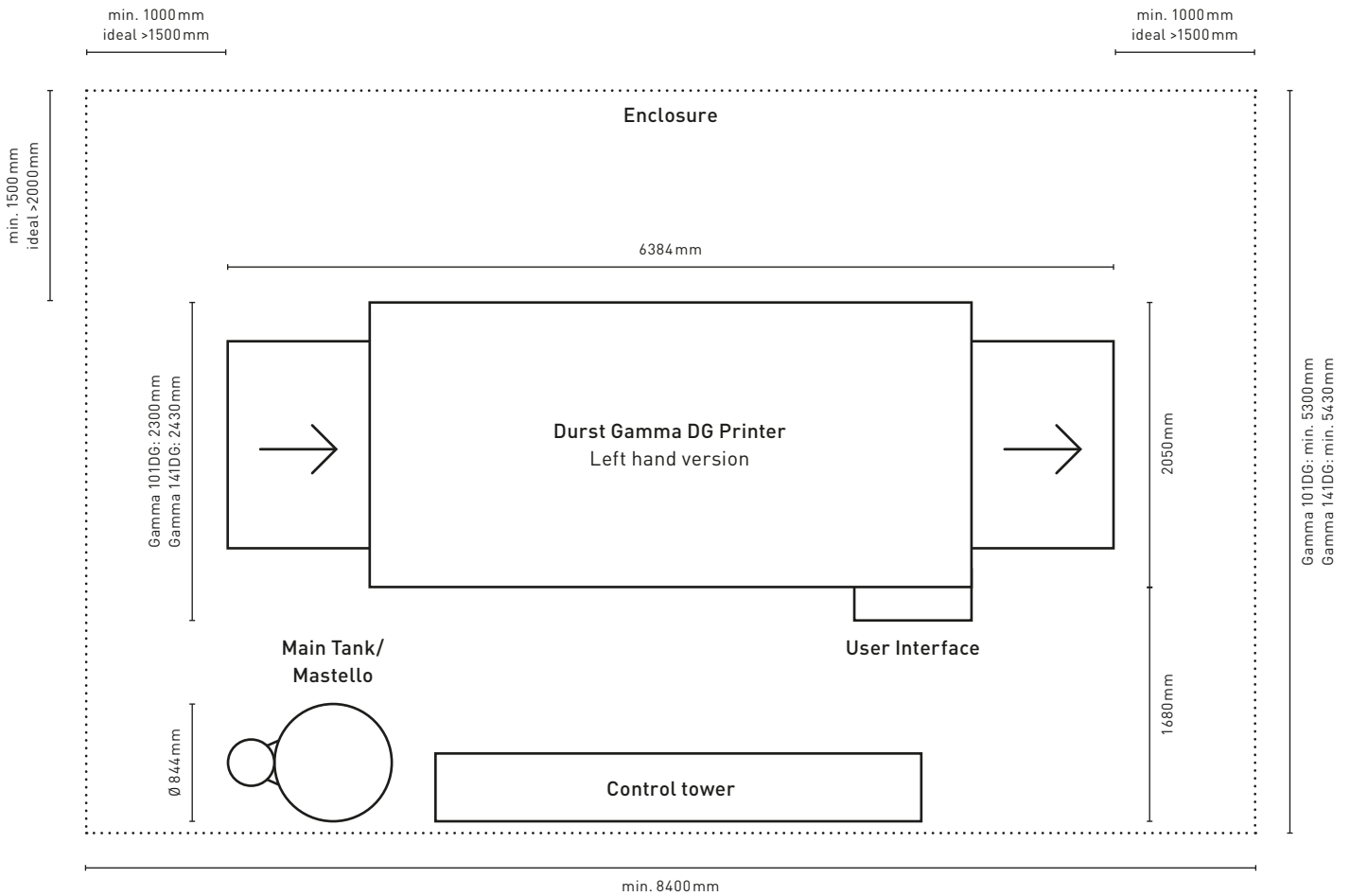
25 to 80% non-condensing

## Safety standards

Complies with currently valid guidelines Closed system with integrated aerosols aspiration system required for operator safety



# SPACE REQUIREMENTS



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