

DuraSpin User Profile

Keeping a Roof Over 1,000 Heads DuraSpin Keeps Costs Down, Productivity Up for Commercial Roofers

Business: Thomas Roofing Company
Scottsdale, Arizona

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Expertise: Commercial and Residential Roofing



What's the best part of staying in a hotel? Resting easy, knowing there is a roof over your head after a long day. The Thomas Roofing Company crew that installed the beautiful tile roof at Westin Hotel's newest complex in Scottsdale, Arizona is resting a little easier now thanks to SENCO's DuraSpin screw fastening system.

"The DuraSpin is a life-saver," says Rick Thomas. His company installed 400,000 square feet of roof tile on the hotel's 1,000-room facility. "There is no comparison between it and the single-shot screwguns we used before."

Thomas Roofing Company bought the tools from Copper State Roofing in Phoenix. "When they brought a DuraSpin out for a demo, we knew we had to have a couple," Thomas recalls. Crews used both SENCO's DS200-14V cordless screwgun and DS300-D2 corded models, plus a combination of two- and three-inch SENCO screws, to complete the job.

Using the lightweight DS200-14V and collated 50-screw strips, crews installed tile clips and hung flat concrete tile using two-inch screws. Workers took the tool everywhere, and the 2300-rpm motor never bogged down. The crew also liked the little details – adjustable nose piece to accommodate a range of fasteners (1-2"), adjustable depth-of-drive and a belt hook.

"The collated screw feed system is a lot easier than loading bulk screws, one at a time, into a regular screw gun, and we don't waste as many screws," Thomas says.

Before hanging tile, workers used six DS300-D2 tools with 2500-rpm motors and three-inch SENCO Weatherex screws to apply one-inch batten strips to a 1/4" fiberglass sheet of Dens-deck, which covered a fluted "B-deck." Using the convenient extensions, workers could drive screws without stooping.

Productivity was critical, with schedules calling for installation of 100 "squares" a week. But even those lofty expectations don't bother Rick Thomas these days. He's resting easy, knowing that DuraSpin will keep his jobs on time and on budget... and a roof over his head.



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