

Fitting Instruction for Stone related products

IMPORTANT NOTES

- ❖ IT IS ESSENTIAL THAT A SURVEY IS CARRIED OUT PRIOR TO INSTALLATION TO ASSESS THE STRUCTURE OF THE WALL AND FLOOR TO BE FITTED. THIS WILL ENSURE THAT THE CORRECT TOOLS, FIXINGS AND ANY SPECIAL MATERIALS, ARE AVAILABLE TO ENSURE A SAFE AND WELL MANAGED INSTALLATION.
- ❖ ADHESIVE ALONE IS NOT SUFFICIENT TO SAFELY HOLD A STONE SURROUND IN PLACE. THE USE OF ADHESIVE MUST CONFORM TO THE MANUFACTURERS GUIDELINES.
- ❖ MECHANICAL FIXINGS SHOULD BE FASTENED DIRECTLY TO A STUD OR SOLID WALL AND NEVER TO PLASTERBOARD OR DRYLINING ALONE.
- ❖ THIS IS NOT A D.I.Y. PROJECT.
- ❖ SERIOUS HARM MAY RESULT SHOULD A POORLY INSTALLED FIREPLACE FALL ON SOMEONE.

PLEASE TAKE A FEW MINUTES TO READ THROUGH THIS GUIDE BEFORE UNPACKING YOUR UNIT.

INTRODUCTION

THIS FIREPLACE WAS CAREFULLY PACKED TO ENSURE THAT IT ARRIVED WITH YOU IN PERFECT CONDITION. PLEASE TAKE AS MUCH CARE DURING UNPACKING AND INSTALLATION.

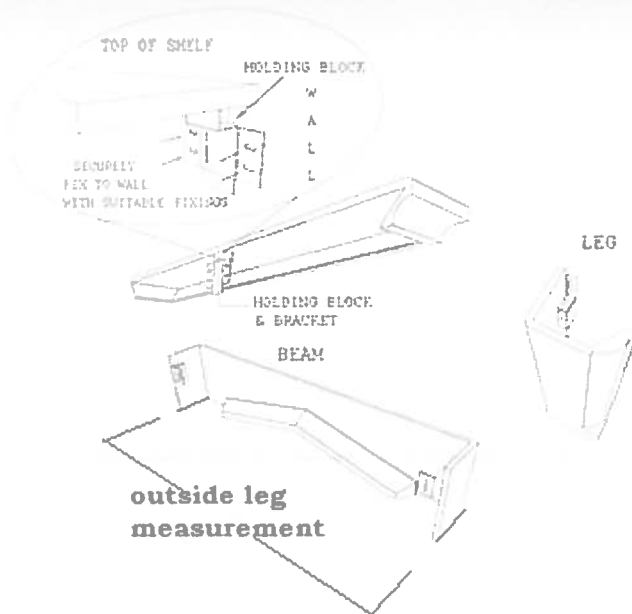
UNPACKING GUIDE

- Never use a blade to remove packaging from components.
- Lay components onto carpet or other soft floor covering.
- Care should be taken to ensure the free lift of components where they are 'nested' together. This usually applies to the leg assemblies.
- Heavy components should be individually lifted by two people.

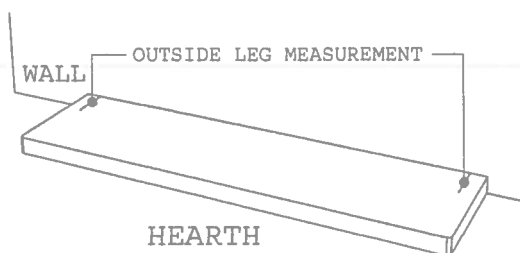
PREPARATION TIPS

- Ensure that the fitting area is clean and tidy and any existing surround is removed and wall repaired if necessary.
- For any appliance to be fitted, a specific qualified installer should make appropriate preparations, as your new unit should be permanently & securely fixed into position.
- Use only white sand, cement and like coloured adhesives as Stone is porous so could be discoloured or stained.

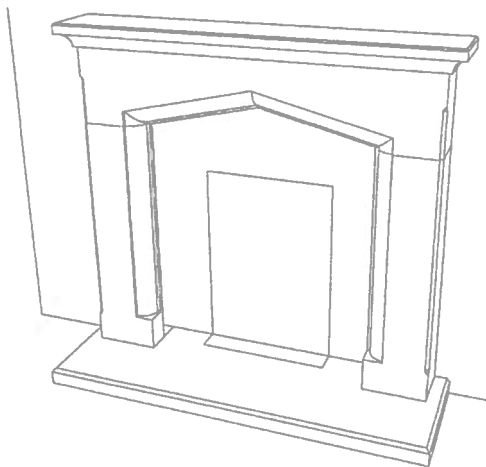
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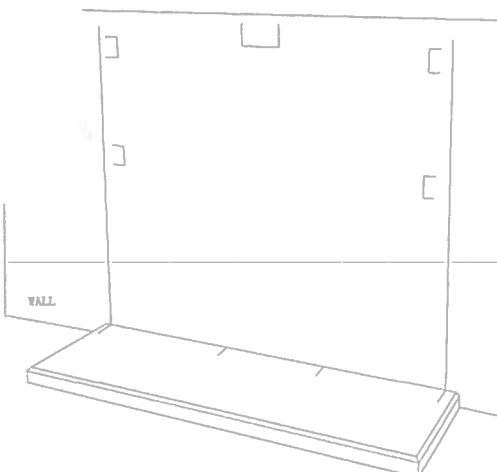
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Familiarize yourself with the component parts and fixings method before commencing fit.

We strongly recommend that two people work together in the fitting of surround. These instructions are meant as a guide only. We cannot be held responsible for the competency of the installer.

If an electric or gas appliance is to be fitted a qualified installer should make appropriate preparations and commissions.

The foam packaging makes an ideal cushioned floor.

- The hearth to be used should always be firmly bedded into position.
- The hearth should be central and a spirit level used to ensure that it is perfectly flat.
- Mark placement of outside of legs onto hearth to aid with placement.

CAREFULLY TRIAL FIT

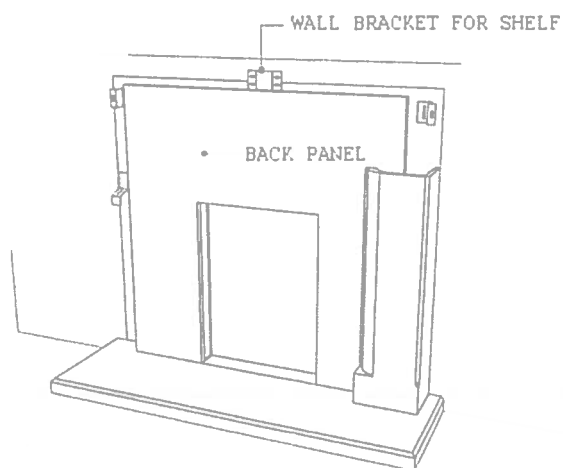
- Stand legs carefully onto the hearth aligning with placement lines.
- Trial fit beam and mark placement of fixing blocks for aide of exact placement later.
- Screw fix holding bracket to underside of shelf block with screw supplied.
- Carefully trial fit shelf. Check if the wall needs to be chased. The shelf should sit flat against the wall throughout its length. Draw a line along the top to aide with adhesive later. Draw line around holding bracket through fire opening to help with placement of the receiving wall bracket.
- Accurately mark wall for fixing block of leg brackets through the fire opening.
- Draw pencil lines on wall, down the outside of legs to aide exact placement later.

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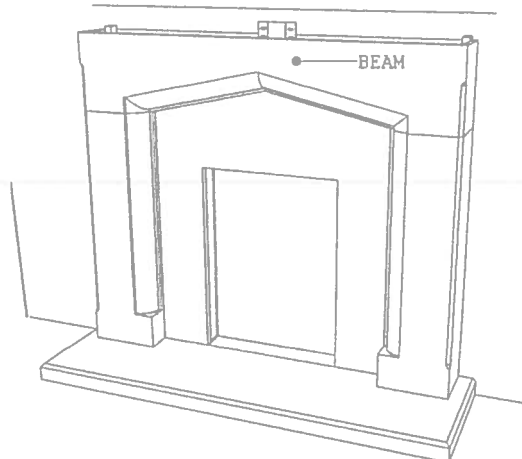
FITTINGS

- Carefully remove components individually and return to 'cushioned' floor for safe keeping.
- Always protect hearth while drilling, plugging and chasing wall.
- **DO NOT STAND ON HEARTH**
- Ensure suitable fittings are used and that the unit is fitted to a solid wall - Not to plaster/plasterboard. Drill and plug wall to receive brackets.
- Securely fit all brackets into position using suitable fixings.

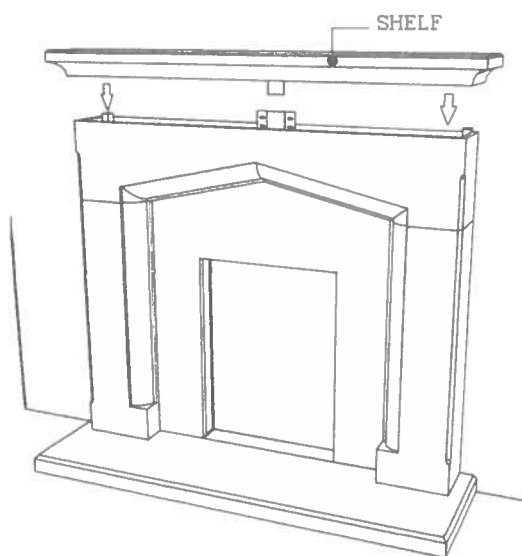
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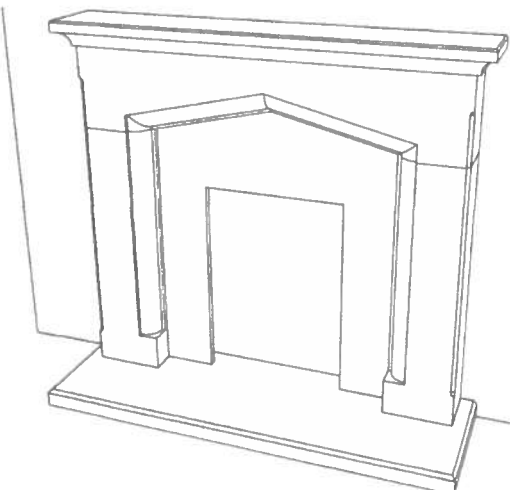
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➤ The back panel to be used should be fitted in place before fitting legs, taking care to protect the hearth from possible damage.

➤ If a three piece back panel is supplied it will have rebate slips attached for ease of fitting.

➤ Remember : Check the rebate of the unit.

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➤ Carefully stand legs in position on hearth while lining up brackets with receiving pre-plugged fixing blocks.

➤ Using screws supplied, secure legs into position. The brackets are slotted to allow any small alignment adjustment later.

➤ Web suitable adhesive into the inside angle of the legs and wall.

'Gypsum based adhesives are not recommended'

➤ Carefully lower beam into position, locating the holding blocks behind the previously fitted brackets.

➤ Web adhesive into the inside angle of the beam sides and wall and the inside of the beam where it meets the unseen edge of the back panel

➤ Ease all joints together and review total alignment, taking special care with edges, joints and corners.

➤ Run a line of adhesive just under shelf guide line on wall, then a thin line along the inside top edge of beam.

➤ Carefully lower shelf into position using the guide lines, while carefully locating the holding bracket securely behind the slot of the previously fitted wall bracket.

➤ Review final alignment.

➤ **NOTE :** Adhesives alone should not be used to fix the fireplace

➤ Remove any visual pencil lines with a damp cloth or eraser.

➤ Allow damp patches and adhesive to dry out before use.

➤ Test that the unit is securely fixed in position before use.

Natural Stones, Marbles & Granites

These beautiful materials, naturally formed over millions of years, have very individual features and characteristics encapsulated within them. From inside the raging furnaces of a cooling world there are the flowing swirls & veins of the molten rocks and from the crashing shores of oceans of long ago, there are the shells & fossils nestled among the silt and shingle of ebbing tides.

Each of our pieces are hand crafted to show these natural materials at their best. They will form a unique centrepiece which will blend with the style & atmosphere of your home for years to come.

CARING FOR YOUR SURROUND

- Now that you have your new surround in place, we would like it to look just as good for years to come.
- It's surface will require only the minimum of maintenance.
- Dust down regularly with a soft, clean brush and occasionally wipe over with a damp cloth.
- Consideration should be given to the placement of ornaments. Heavy items should not be displayed here and all items should sit well back on the shelf so as not to add to the forward tilt weight of the unit. As with other natural materials [such as timber] exposed areas may fade in strong sunlight.

For Granites & Marbles including micro Marbles.

- Your surround is quite durable but should be protected from staining. and acidic liquids, such as red wines and lemon & orange juice – In the event of an accident, soak up residues immediately and wash down with a weak solution of regular household washing up liquid then buff with a soft dry cloth. Where staining has occurred, use a specialist cleaning kit, following the instructions given by the manufacturer.

For Real Stones

- Your unit has been treated with a sealer to help protect and maintain the surface. However it should be protected from staining. In the event of an accident, soak up any spillages immediately. Where staining has occurred, use a specialist stone cleaning and resealing kit, following the instructions given by the manufacturer.

The contents of this leaflet is for guidance only.

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We recommend that the fitting of all fireplaces should be carried out by professional, properly trained and experienced installers.

IF IN DOUBT - CONTACT YOUR RETAILER.