

How to Install Elite Cottage BeadBoard

Step 1. Install your Base Rail first; it's just like installing Baseboard. Make sure that the notch is facing up so that the BeadBoard sheet will fit into it. Depending on the kit you order, the notch will be wider or narrower, determine the width you require by comparing to the thickness of the BeadBoard sheet. A smaller gap will make it easier to finish. Use a nail gun to fasten the Base Rail to the wall, the nail gun will allow the nail heads to be countersunk under the material surface, making it easier to finish later.

Step 2. Fit the BeadBoard sheets into the desired pre-cut notch on the Base Rail. Fasten to wall using a nail gun. Try to nail into the seams of the Beads, this will hide the nail head better than on the flat surface. You should nail every 6 beads or so horizontally and every foot vertically.

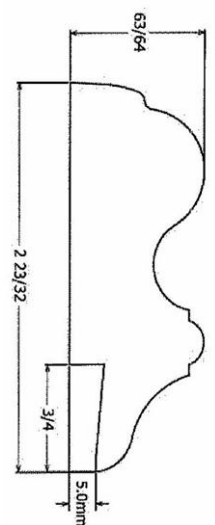
Note: Cut slots into the sheets that will allow any plugs or outlets to fit through the BeadBoard sheets. Make sure the hole you cut is just big enough to fit the plug. The overlapping of the face plate will cover any minor imperfections. To cut out a plug hole, start by measuring out the location of the plug and mark it on the sheet. Using a drill, make a hole through the middle of the marked plug. Use a Coping saw or a hand held Jig saw to cut the shape marked on the sheet.



Step 3. Measure the wall and mark the Studs, the studs should be 16" apart from each other (on center) however, you may want to use a stud finder to double check. The stud center is important because the Cap Trim must be securely fastened to the wall.



Step 4. Fit the Cap Trim over the BeadBoard sheets. You will find that the Cap Trim has a notch cut out on the bottom which is used to cover the top of the BeadBoard sheets. Secure the Chair Rail to the wall using your Nail Gun. Use your previously marked stud center locations as a guide for nailing.



Step 5. Nail the Shoe molding to the bottom of the Base Rail. The Shoe serves a practical purpose by covering bigger gaps on installed flooring. It also adds a decorative touch to the otherwise flat Base Rail.



Step 6. This is an optional step; you may add a corner bead if you feel it will look more appealing. The corner bead also serves a practical purpose by protecting exposed corners from damaging. Corner Bead can be purchased from our website. The corner bead should be nailed into place using a Nail Gun.



The next step is to finish the BeadBoard installation by covering up any visible seams. You can use a Paint-able Latex Caulking to cover the seams. Any type of paint can be used to finish the BeadBoard; however, we recommend Oil based Semi-Gloss for ease of cleaning. The Oil based Paints also seal the BeadBoard creating a moisture resistant barrier.



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