MOULDING INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS

HOW TO CALCULATE PROJECT: (HOW MUCH DO I NEED?)

Take careful measurements of the walls that you will be applying the moulding to. Round up each measurement to the nearest foot. Add up all measurements and add 10% for waste on top of the total number for the correct amount of trim to purchase.

TOOLS NEEDED FOR INSTALLATION:

- Fine tooth saw

- Goggles

- Glue

(higher TPI is better)

- Brad nails

- Tape measure

- Miter box

- Wood filler

- Hammer

- Level

- Nail set

- Pneumatic brad nailer*

- Compound miter saw with 80tpi blade or higher

- Coping saw**

*= Optional, **= for coping only.

ACCLIMATE MOULDING:

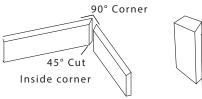
DAKOTA™ moulding is for interior use only. Before you begin, allow moulding to acclimate for at least 72 hours in the room they will be installed. Do not store or install DAKOTA™ moulding in environments where drastic, prolonged fluctuations in temperature and humidity occur; such as 3-season rooms or garages. If installing in a bathroom, avoid direct contact with water and maintain proper ventilation to avoid prolonged exposures of humidity to the moulding.

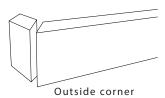
APPLYING MOULDING:

Install moulding piece-by-piece, working your way around the room. Using a hammer or pneumatic brad nailer, fasten moulding to wall every 9"— 12" with 1-1/2"— 2" brad nails. Any nails in the final 3" of a piece of moulding should be pre-drilled and nailed by hand. Use a nail set to sink any nail heads that may not have fully sunk into the moulding.

CUTTING MITERED CORNERS:

Most room corners are 90°, so most of your moulding cuts will be made at a 45° angle. Always test fit the moulding before proceeding, as corners may not be square. If the corner is not exactly 90°, re-cut both pieces to the same angle until moulding meets correctly.





SPLICING TWO PIECES OF TRIM:

It is always preferable to use one piece of moulding to cover a wall, but splicing may be necessary. When splicing, center the splice on a wall stud. Cut both pieces of moulding to opposing 45° angles. Test fit to wall to verify fit, then apply glue to the cut ends, predrill and nail the joint. Wipe off excess glue immediately.



FINISH OPTIONS FOR TRIM ENDS:

You may have an area where a piece of moulding may end without being covered completely, there are a few options to quickly and cleanly finish off these areas:

- 1. Cut the exposed end of the moulding at a 45° angle returning to the wall. Cut another small piece of moulding with the opposite 45° angle to and cut to fit into gap. This will give your trim a 90° finish into the wall. Glue in moulding piece and nail if needed after pre-drilling.
- 2. Ends can be cut straight and a color matching edge banding can be applied to the end of the moulding. Edge banding is available in multiple colors located in the Hardware Department or online at www.menards.com.

AVAILABLE PROFILES:

