## **CHARRED WOOD INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS**

Allow the wood to acclimate for several days prior to installation in the room in which it will be installed. Variances in temperature and moisture between the storage and application areas have a negative effect on the finished appearance if the product doesn't adjust to room conditions prior to installation. As wood dries, a slight joint may open up. It is recommended to paint the surface behind the wood a dark color.

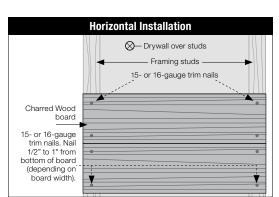
Nail directly to the wall framing when installing in a horizontal orientation. For applications where vertical orientation is desired, full-length furring strips must be installed 24 inches on center. Use standard or painted trim nails (15 or 16 gauge). Fastener length should be long enough for 1 1/4"-1 1/2" of penetration into solid wood.

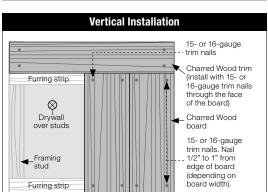
Two nails should be placed approx. 1" from each edge on 5.5" wide boards and  $\frac{1}{2}$ "-  $\frac{3}{4}$ " on 3.5" wide boards. Two nails per connection should be always be used.

When installing over plaster or hardboard, the walls need to be in moderately good condition. Construction adhesive is usually the easiest and fastest way to install wood over drywall, plaster, hardboard and even old shiplap. When applying adhesive, be sure to follow the manufacturer's instructions. Nails should still be used to ensure boards stay in place while the adhesive dries.

If using for furniture or in high traffic areas a high quality polyurethane sealer is recommended.

Install Boards horizontally or vertically. For horizontal applications, start with the bottom course and work up. Due to natural characteristics of wood, boards may expand and contract over time. Ensure boards are installed properly conditioned to the environment to minimize the movement.





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