

Fig. 1-1

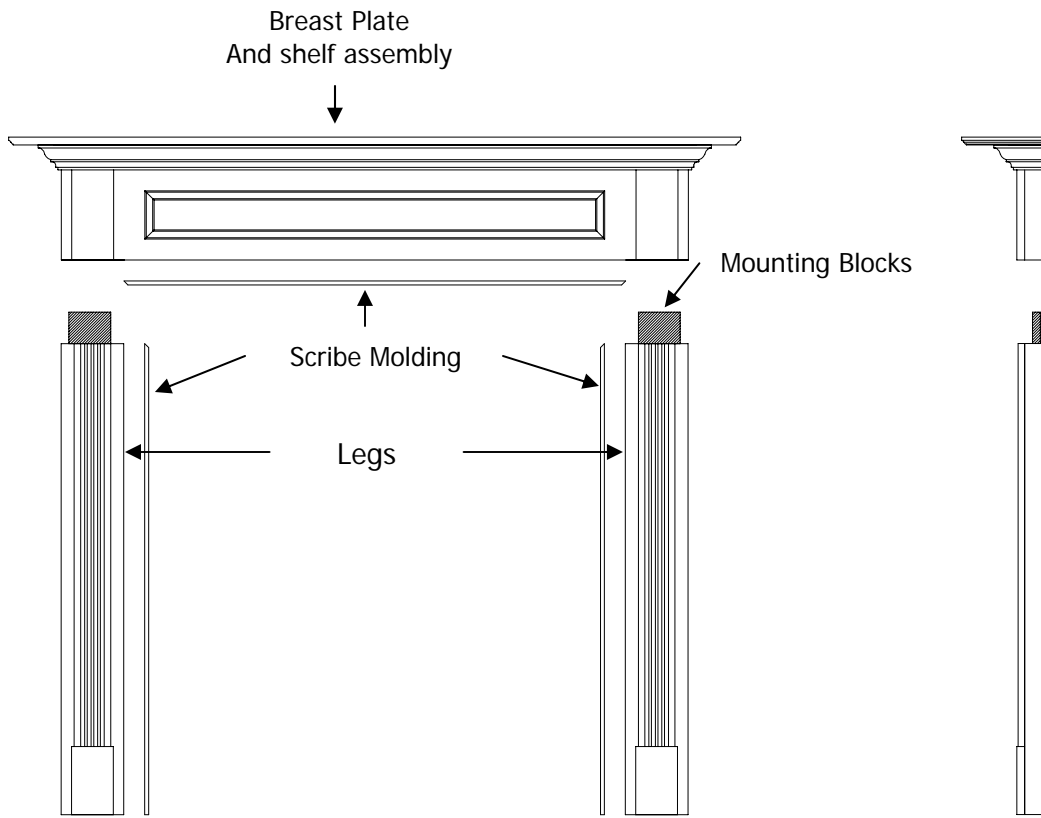


Fig. 1-2

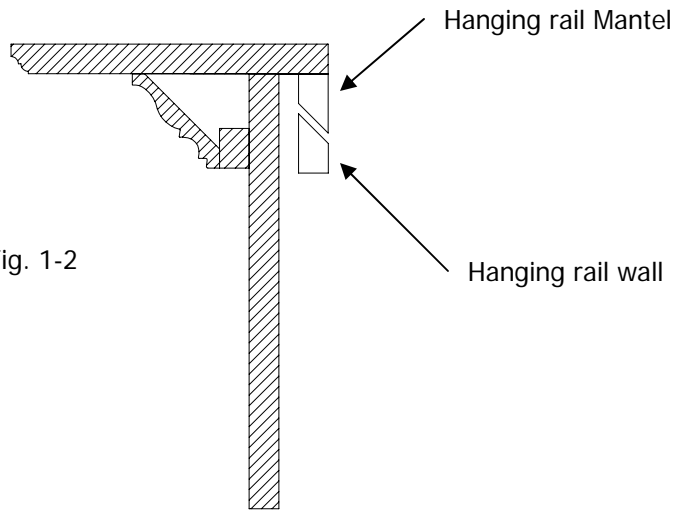
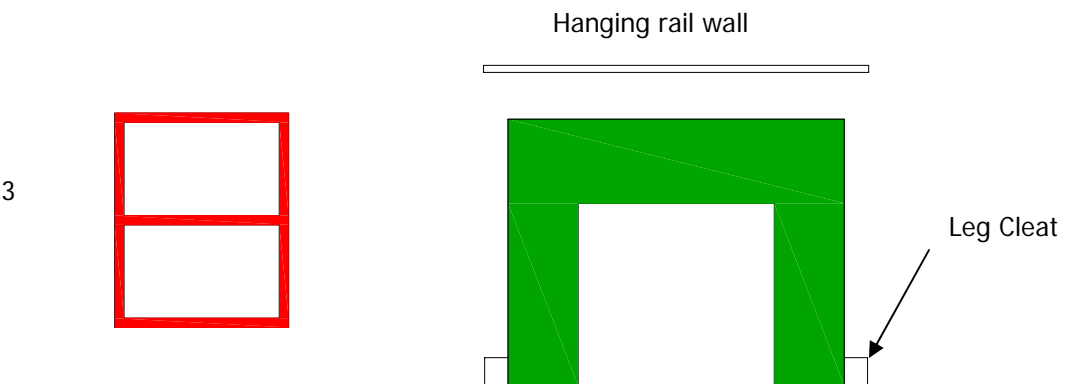


Fig. 1-3





Installation Instructions

Installing your mantel is a simple procedure needing very few tools and can be accomplished with minimal carpentry experience. You will need a hammer and a cordless or corded drill with a #2 square drive bit, and 1/8" and 1/16" drill bits. We have included in the box all the needed mounting strips, screws and nails to install the mantel.

1. Attach legs to breast plate shelf assembly via the mounting blocks as shown in fig. 1-1. The easiest way to do this is to turn the breast plate shelf assembly upside down so the shelf is face down on the floor or work bench. Then attach the legs using the 1 1/4" self-drilling screws.
2. Next you need to attach the hanging cleats to your wall around the fireplace as shown in fig. 1-3. The two 6x6 blocks go at the bottom of the fireplace and the long hanging rail with the 45 degree bevel goes at the top. To find the location of these cleats refer to the installation drawing that came with your mantel. Fasten these cleats with the included 3" drywall screws making sure to first pre-drill holes in the cleats with an 1/8" drill bit. Each one of the 3" screws needs to be fastened to a wall stud which are spaced 16" apart behind the drywall. For the wall hanging rail see fig. 1-2 for proper installation as this rail needs to lock together with the rail on the mantel.
3. You can now take you mantel and slide it over the wall hanging rail which will lock the wall hanging rail and the mantel hanging rail together.
4. Next on the bottom left and right of each leg pre-drill an 1/8" hole on the side of each leg. Then take the supplied nails and nail the leg to the blocks you attached in step #2. Make sure to set the nails below the wood surface with a nail set so you can fill them in later.
5. The final step is to apply the interior scribe molding for this you will need your drill and a 1/16" drill bit . Start on the left side of the mantel and with the left side precut scribe and hold it in place and then pre-drill 5 evenly space holes in the scribe and the edge of the leg. Then you can nail it to the leg, again set these nails and fill with putty. Repeat this process starting with the breast plate shelf assembly scribe piece and finally the right side leg.
6. Congratulations! You have finished installation. If your mantel is unfinished we recommend a light sanding with 150 grit sand paper then paint or stain to your desired color. If painting we recommend the first coat be a primer then two coats of the final color. If staining, apply stain, allow to dry (according to stain manufacturer's directions) then apply two coats of clear. If your mantel came pre-finished fill nail holes with the color stick that came with your mantel.