

MANTEL INSTALLATION

For Porch Co Hand Made Mantels

Improper installation of a mantel can lead to personal injury or property damage. Play it safe by reading and adhering to all safety and fire clearance codes and/or manufacturer's instructions.

We are not responsible for accidents due to improper installation or issues associated with violation of local building codes.

You must first determine the minimum distance from the fireplace opening to the bottom of the mantel. That distance is dependent on the projection of the mantel (Porch Co Mantels project 12") and by the type and/or manufacturer of your fireplace and your local building codes.

You will need to check with the National Fireplace Association, the manufacturer's installation instruction manual and your local building codes to determine the minimum height above the firebox opening to hang your mantel. Based on our research, for a mantel that projects 12", the bottom of the mantel must be 14" to 21" above the fire box opening, depending on the type of firebox. Please verify this for your situation / location.

Installation Steps to Install a Porch Co Mantel

1. Remove mounting bracket

The mounting bracket is screwed to the mantel when it arrives. Remove the screws to allow the bracket to be detached from the mantel. Save these screws for re-attaching the mantel to the bracket



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2. Determine location of mounting bracket on your fireplace or wall

Locate mantel on wall ensuring you are complying with the minimum height from firebox opening distance. Mark top of Mantel. Bracket will be attached to the wall 1" lower than the top of the mantel.



3. Determine screw locations & pre-drill holes

Note: Screws to attach to the wall are not included as type and length of screw is dependent on your situation. If you are attaching to wood framing, you will have to find the studs behind the veneer. If you have a true masonry fireplace, do not penetrate the masonry veneer.

Pre-drill the holes in the mounting bracket.

If using masonry screw, make sure the threaded part is able to slide through the bracket. You may need to use a washer in front of the screw head.



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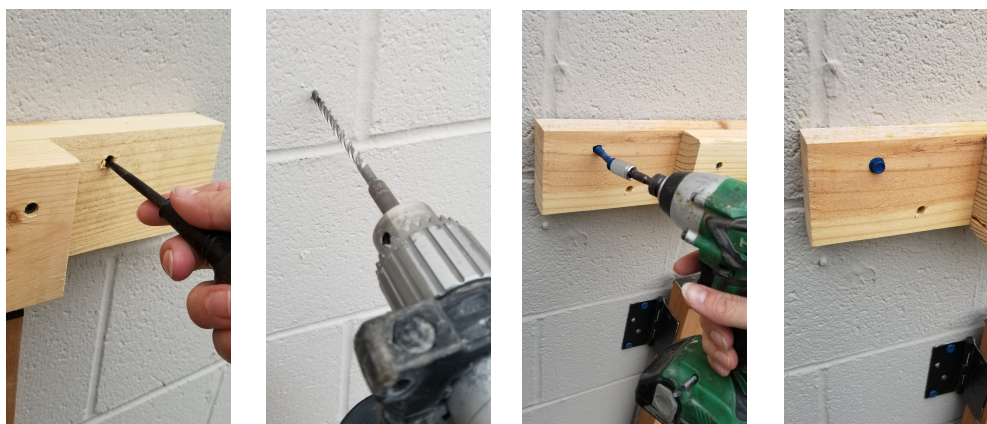
4. Screw bracket to wall

If you are mounting to studs, use structural screws such as Simpson's 3" SDWS screws.

If you are mounting to masonry, use tap cons.

Make sure screws have a solid connection to the fireplace wall.

Use a minimum of 4-6 screws to attach the bracket to the wall.



5. Attach the mantel

Slide your mantel over the mounting bracket and use the screw provided to secure the mantel to the bracket. We recommend 4 - 6 screws.

And you're done!

