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Wall niches are interior accents that easily enhance your home with style and elegance. Niches often feature a simple design that makes it a versatile addition to any room. Our wall niches are crafted out of high density poly-urethane. Poly-urethane has the traditional appeal of stone or plaster, while being lightweight and easy to install. It comes pre-primed and ready to be finished.

#### **Tools & Materials Needed**

- Caulking gun
- Elastomeric adhesive caulk
- Polyurethane construction adhesive (We recommend PL Premium)
- Sponge or clean cloth
- Putty knife
- Extra fine sandpaper
- Level
- 2x4 Lumber
- 1x2 Lumber
- Mineral/White spirits
- Hammer & finishing nails (Nails must be long enough to penetrate the substrate at least 1/2")
- Jigsaw, keyhole saw, or pen-knife
- Framing nails
- Shims
- Circular saw
- Drywall knife
- Screwdriver
- Flat head wood screws
- Drill

#### **Prior to Installation**

- Clean installation surface and back of niche of all dirt and dust with a clean cloth or sponge.
- Make sure that the surface and the back of the niche are completely dry before attempting installation.
- It is highly recommended that you paint/finish our appliques before you install them. Once installed, you can apply any necessary touch-up paint/finish.
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#### **Important Safety Instructions**

- Make sure to use the correct tools recommended.
- Wear safety goggles.
- Follow fixture, power tools, and paint manufacturers' instructions and users manuals.
- Use common sense and follow good construction practices.

#### **Surface Mount Installation Process**

1. Place niche on wall and outline position on wall.
2. Apply a 1/2" bead of poly-urethane adhesive to the back of the niche.
3. Use a level before pressing the niche into place.
4. Use latex caulk around the edges of the niche.
5. Wipe off any excess caulk or adhesive using a damp sponge or cloth.
6. Touch up niche as necessary.

#### **Recess Mount Installation Process**

1. Using a paper template, trace the outline of the niche onto the template.

2. Trace the template onto wall and remove template.
3. Using a drywall knife, cut the opening as traced by the template and remove drywall.
4. Use 2 x4's to frame the area with vertical supports on each side and top and bottom cross braces.
5. Cut 5-6 pieces of 1x2 lumber in 6" pieces. Use construction adhesive to attach the blocks onto the niche walls on the back of the niche. Allow 24 hours for the adhesive to set.
6. Apply adhesive to the blocks.
7. While placing niche into opening, make sure that the niche is level. Smooth any excess adhesive around the niche edge. Clean excess adhesive with mineral spirits.
8. Touch up niche using latex paint as needed.