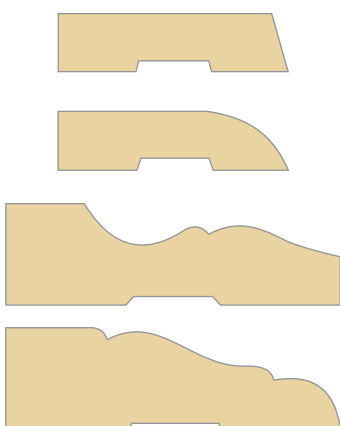


HOW TO INSTALL SKIRTING BOARDS

Skirting Boards are used as a trim along the bottom of a wall hiding the gap between the wall and the floor and protecting the wall from damage.

Skirting Boards can also be used as architraves around the door jamb and window frames.

You have the option of choosing from square, rounded or decorative shapes in a variety of sizes or combine profiles to make your own look.



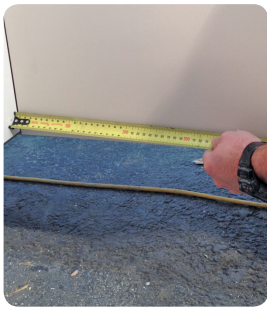
WHAT YOU'LL NEED:

- ☒ 30mm finishing nails
- ☒ 50mm finishing nails
- ☒ Nail punch
- ☒ Hammer
- ☒ PVA glue
- ☒ Mitre box (if a drop saw is not available)
- ☒ Hand saw
- ☒ Coping saw
- ☒ Coping saw blades
- ☒ Safety Glasses

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STEP 1: MEASURE



Measure the length of the wall.

STEP 2: CUT



Cut the skirting to length with a 90° cut on each end.

STEP 3: OVERSCRIBE

If you are using skirting with any sort of detail you will need to overscribe the ends of the adjacent skirting so it fits flush into the skirting already fixed to the wall. To do this you will need to make a 45° cut on the ends of the skirting, which will expose the profile to cut out.

To cut out, use a coping saw and undercut the timber along the short point of the 45°.



STEP 4: NAIL

Nail to the wall approximately every 400mm. Then move on to the wall opposite and do the same as you did for the first wall. Once you have completed these two walls you can move onto the side walls.

If you have square skirting, make square cuts at the ends of all adjacent skirting, place glue onto the ends and butt into the attached skirting.



Handy Tips

- Start on the wall you see first when entering the room if you are installing skirting boards for the first time.
- Use board or something similar to make sure your skirting is pushed hard down to the floor. Push one end of the board on top of the skirting and the other on the floor. Then using your weight kneel on the board.



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