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GUIDE

How to install your floating shelf

> **Draft:** confirm with Bryan. These steps are general guidance and are still being checked.

What's in the box

- Your shelf, cut to your spec
- Plywood mounting cleat
- Screws
- Heavy-duty steel brackets, if you added them for a 12" deep shelf

What you'll need

- Stud finder
- Level
- Pencil
- Tape measure
- Drill / driver
- Drill bits (size to be confirmed) CONFIRM WITH BRYAN

Before you start

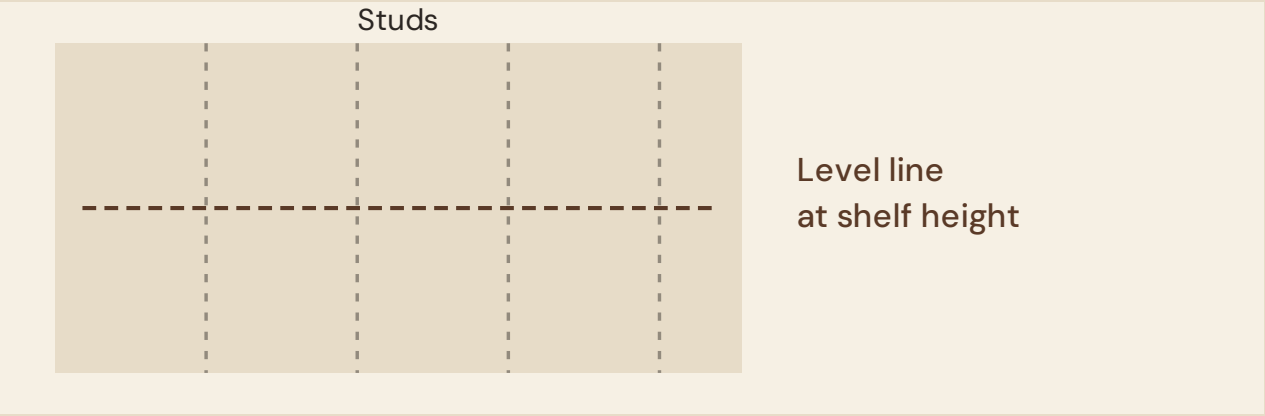
- Unbox and check the shelf size against your spec sheet.

- If you plan to stain or paint, finish the raw wood before install (general advice).
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- Check for wires and pipes behind the wall before drilling.
- A second person helps hold the shelf level while you check it.

Steps

1. Find the studs and mark them

Use a stud finder to locate the studs in your install area and mark them lightly in pencil.

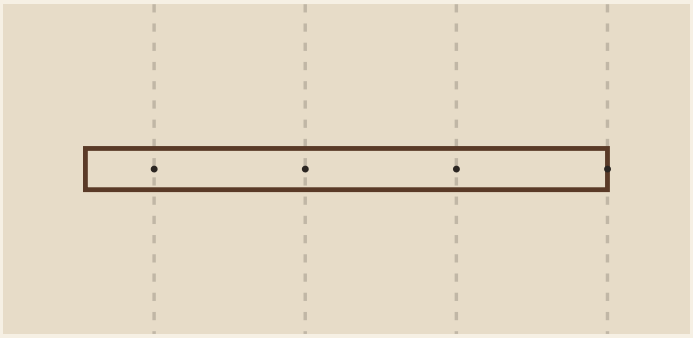


2. Mark your shelf height and draw a level line

Decide on the height you measured for, then draw a level line across the wall at that height.

3. Hold the cleat (or brackets, for 12" deep shelves) on the line and check level

Position the mounting cleat, or heavy-duty brackets if you added them, on your level line and check it's level before fastening. CONFIRM WITH BRYAN



Cleat fastened on the level line

4. Fasten into studs with the included screws

Drive the included screws through the cleat (or brackets) into the studs.

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5. Slide the shelf over the cleat (or onto the brackets) and check it sits tight to the wall

Slide the shelf into place so it sits tight against the wall, with no gap at the back.

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Shelf slides over the cleat, tight to the wall

6. Check level once more

Set a level on top of the shelf and confirm it's sitting level before you load it up.

Weight rating, wall-type guidance (drywall, plaster, tile or masonry), and fitting an uneven wall are still being confirmed. CONFIRM WITH BRYAN

Alcove shelves

Shelves that run wall to wall in an alcove don't need the heavy-duty brackets. The mounting method for an alcove install is still being confirmed. CONFIRM WITH BRYAN

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