

Drystack Panel Installation

Step 1

Starting from the left, take a full panel and attach the bottom tongue into the starter strip groove, lock in place, and slide the panel behind the accessory piece (Fig. 1).

Step 2

Using the screw guide points, screw through the substrate and into a stud, when practical, every 16", with a minimum of 6 screws per panel and a screw no less than 1" from each end of the tongue. In addition to screwing through the tongue a minimum of 1 screw (preferably 2 screws) should be installed through the lap on the side of the panel. **PRESS DOWN AND PRESS PANEL FIRMLY AGAINST PIECE TO THE LEFT.** Maintain continuous pressure to push the panels tightly together when attaching to the structure (Fig. 2).

Step 3

For the last panel in the course, measure from the edge of the grout line to the accessory piece and add 1". Cut the last piece and slide behind the accessory piece until the panel is locked in the starter strip, then slide panel back to the left until the shiplap sides are joined. Check for level (Fig. 3).

Step 4

Drystack panels have 8 unique panel configurations numbered, 1 through 8, molded into the back of the panel. Avoid placing like numbered panels next to or above each other. The illustration below shows a random installation using drops from the previous course to start each new course. If there are no drops, randomly cut the starting panel to length.

5	6	8	4	8
8	7	3	2	5
4	2	1	4	3
5	8	2	1	4
4	6	7	3	5



Figure 1

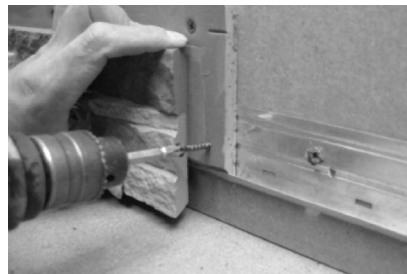


Figure 2



Figure 3

Optional Adhesive Installation

Step 1

Lightly sand ridges on the back of the panel to remove any mold release agent that may have adhered to the panel. The mold release agent will interfere with the adhesion of the panel to the substrate.

Step 2

Apply a 3/8" bead of adhesive along vertical ridges of the panel.

Step 3

Remember to always use an adhesive which is of good quality and is compatible with polyurethane. In order for adhesives to set up, mechanical fasteners may be required to hold panels in place.

