## Premium Wood Planking The stunning precision of Engineered Wood Planking.

## Installation Instructions

Not intended for use on floors, exposed

outdoor surfaces or in areas with high

## WHAT YOU NEED

		humidity or contact with water.
7	Air- or battery-powered finish nail gun	IMPORTANT: Always check and comply with all applicable building and fire codes. Mock-ups depicted are for illustration
8	Rubber mallet	purposes only. Clearances required for installations adjacent to household gas cooking appliances may vary depending upon appliance type, heat output and
0	Level	jurisdiction.
	Installing directly into studs:	©2017 Great American Spaces. Made in the U.S.A.
$\sim$	2 in, 16-gauge galvanized finish nails or	NOTE: This laminated T&G product is a design upgrade from solid hardwoods. The premium
	Installing through drywall into studs: 2.5 in, 16-gauge galvanized finish nails	plywood backing and laminated hardwood face are more stable, sustainable, and easier to install than typical milled hardwoods. Our premium engineered planking meets Indoor Air Quality standards.
	Installing vertically:	*All dimensions are nominal. This information is intended to assist in the proper installation of
<b>1</b>	furring strips	this product. It's not intended to replace local building codes or industry standards. Installation in accordance with applicable codes is the sole responsibility of the installer and we assume no liability for product installed improperly or not in confermit with use and accordance.
· · · · ·	Precision miter saw	conformity with such codes and standards. A product of Great American Spaces, an employee-
	Touch Up Kit	owned manufacturer and distributor of building materials. The beauty of our planks is created by its infinite variation in chararcter and color. Please use our samples and literature as a general guide, as
<b>O</b>	Stud finder (if installing over drywall)	every piece is unique.
	Chalk line	greatamericanspaces.com
	Safety goggles	
	Dust mask	
	Pencil	



BEAUTIFUL ENVIRONMENTS. THOUGHTFULLY CRAFTED.

## PREPARING TO INSTALL



**Store boards indoors** in a clean, dry space. Do not store on concrete.



At least 72 hours before installation, place boards in the space where they'll be installed to allow wood to adjust to differences in humidity and temperature. Remove any packaging material.



Plan how you will cut and place your boards on the wall or ceiling. See "Tips" for suggestions. Arrange boards on the floor before installation to play around with the effects that grain variation and board lengths have on the final installation.

Remember that slight color variations are to be expected in this Engineered Wood Planking product. It can take some planning to get the right combination of light and dark and short and long boards to achieve a balanced installation.



**Consider your wall height or ceiling length.** If your height or length will cause you to have a partial board, consider splitting this partial board between the top and bottom. When using partial width boards, cut the groove off the bottom board and the tongue off the top board.



**If installing over drywall,** find and mark studs with chalk line.



- Cut off factory end to ensure a square end.
- Paint the unfinished edges on end cuts and rip cuts with the stain in the Touch Up Kit. DO NOT USE THE STAIN ON THE FACE OF THE PRODUCT! Use the pencil in the Touch Up Kit for touching up the face of the product.
- Place face nails on the first and last boards close to the board edges so you can easily cover them with matching trim.



**Stagger joints for best appearance.** Try to avoid vertical joints that line up. And be sure to end joints at a stud or rafter.

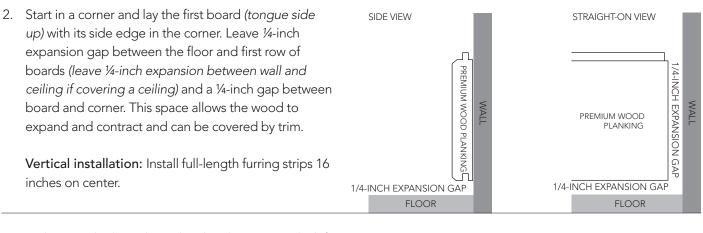
• Don't fight warped, twisted or bowed boards. Cut them shorter so they go together with less effort. Mixing in shorter boards looks great and reduces waste.



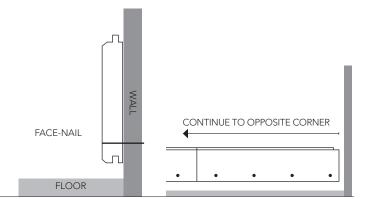
- This product is not reversible. Be sure you install the correct side outward.
- Wood is a natural product. Color change over time is normal and should be expected. We don't warrant against color change, swelling, checking or other movement. Color variations caused by hanging items on boards (known as shadowing) is not considered a manufacturing defect.
- Sawing, sanding or machining wood products can produce wood dust and other substances known to the State of California to cause cancer. Avoid inhaling dust and use a dust mask or other safeguards for personal protection. Wood products also emit chemicals known to the State of California to cause birth defects or other reproductive harm.
- This information is intended to assist in the proper installation of this product. It's not intended to replace local building codes or industry standards. Installation in accordance with applicable codes is the sole responsibility of the installer and we assume no liability for product installed improperly or not in conformity with such codes and standards.



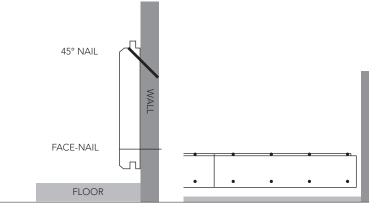
 Start at the base of a wall or ceiling so gravity is on your side.



- Make sure the boards are level. Adjust as needed if the wall or ceiling isn't perfectly square.
- 4. Face-nail the first board into a stud or rafter along the lower edge of the board where the nail will be covered by trim. Butt subsequent boards at studs or rafters and continue until you reach the opposite corner. Use a mallet or wood block to butt boards tightly before securing.

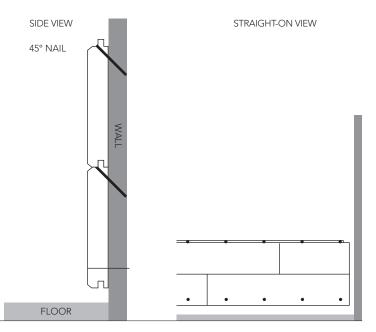


5. Once the first row is face-nailed, nail boards through the base of the tongue on a 45-degree angle into the studs or rafters.





6. Begin the second row by sliding grooved boards over the tongue of first row. Use a rubber mallet or wood block to gently tap boards into place, without damaging the tongue. Nail through the base of tongue at each stud or rafter. The groove of the next row of boards will hide the nail holes.



- 7. Check every 2-3 rows to be sure your boards remain parallel to the first row. If needed, you can cheat a bit by not butting tight to the previous row.
- 8. Continue until you reach the top of the wall or ceiling.
- 9. Face-nail the final board along the top edge.
- 10. Finish with matching trim, if desired by face-nailing.

