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Ancient Ship Wood Mosaic

Installation Instructions

1. Fix the wooden keel to the wall using nails.
2. Nail 12mm plywood to the keel.
3. Treat the plywood with an under coat to seal it and protect from moisture and fire.
4. Paint the plywood in a coffee colour.
5. Use white latex to stick the mosaic to the plywood.
6. Secure the mosaic with a nail gun.
7. Apply wood wax or a water-based sealant to protect the surface of the mosaic.

Construction Procedures

1. Preparation for the wall
 - a. Nail the wooden keel to the wall. It needs to be protected from moisture and the nails should be anti-corrosive.
 - b. The plywood should be wiped clean after fixing to the keel
2. Preparation for mosaic
 - a. Before fixing anything layout your mosaic on the floor to see the full effect.
 - b. Make sure each piece is dry. The dry time can change between seasons and geographic location. This is important to get a uniform effect because the wood will change shape as it dries.
 - c. For a regular shape mosaic ensure your spacing is consistent.
 - d. For an irregular mosaic try moving pieces around for the best result.
3. Adjust the size
 - a. In order to get the best fit you may want to cut some pieces or take some pieces out and swap them with others.
 - b. Use a jigsaw or handsaw for cutting.
4. Fixing the materials
 - a. Use common environmental latex glue
 - b. Apply it uniformly to the wood over the area
 - c. Apply it also to the back of the mosaic
 - d. This will ensure a strong bond between the surfaces
5. Laying Up
 - a. Layout your mosaic from top down
 - b. Use a nail gun for additional strength.



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Product Maintenance

- Use a regular soft duster to wipe clean the surface
- To refresh the wood you can use an oil varnish or apply some vegetable oil
- As the raw material is solid wood the mosaics will expand and contract depending on the temperature and moisture in the air so the gap between the pieces will change. This is normal and to be expected.

If you have any questions or concerns please contact us. If the correct installation procedures are not followed then we cannot be responsible for any damage caused.