

Wood Paneling Easy To Install

The "revolution" in building materials has brought so many improved products, it's almost impossible to keep up with them.

One new idea in building materials is beautiful hardwood wall paneling that, thanks to progress of the plywood industry, now comes in luxurious-looking, easy-to-handle 4 by 8-foot or longer factory finished panels.

The recent development of a multicolored, baked-on plastic "family-proof" finish that defies normal wear, tear and stains (very similar to the baked-on finish of a fine auto) has added new impetus to the trend toward natural woods.

It's easy to apply. But big questions among the uninitiated apparently still are: "Just how do you apply it?" and "How do you

figure the right number of panels to buy?"

The answers came from a "carpenter" — Mel Carpenter (his real name), and executive of Georgia-Pacific Corp. in Portland, the world's largest plywood maker.

Carpenter is author of a just-issued handbook on "How To Panel," which answers many more than the usual questions. "Actually," Carpenter explains, "anyone who can handle a hammer and saw can apply the new already-finished hardwood plywood panels."

In remodeling, a new wall of natural hardwood can be applied without even removing furniture or carpeting — the baked-on factory finish eliminates such messy items as sanding, sealing, varnishing or lacquering.

Estimating the number of panels needed can be done by at least two methods:

Merely add the length of the two sides and two ends of the room for the circumference. Divide that footage figure by 4 to find the number of 4-foot-wide panels you need. Then deduct 4-6 of a panel for each door, 3-6 for each window (average size) and 3-6 for the fireplace. If you discover you need 12 and 4-6ths of a panel, for example, you will of course need 13 panels.

A more accurate method is to figure the square footage of all walls to be paneled (length times the height of each). Then figure square footage of window, door and fireplace openings (same formula) and deduct from the total footage of the walls.

If your walls are 8 feet high

or slightly less, divide the net square footage total by 32 (each 4 by 8 panel covers 32 square feet) and you have the number of panels. If the walls are 9 feet high or slightly less, divide by 36 (4 by 9 panels cover 36 square feet).

If you must store the hardwood plywood sheets, lay them flat. Don't apply them over new plaster walls until the plaster is completely dried. The plaster's moisture will have a hard time getting through those multiple coats of baked-on "family-proofing."

When you have installed "family-proof" panels, the room you have paneled is ready for living

after a swish with a damp cloth to wipe off any fingerprints or smudges.

There are special questions for special paneling jobs, and author Carpenter gives full details for the job in his handbook. Free copies are available by writing Mel Carpenter at Georgia-Pacific Corp., Equitable Building, Portland 4, Oregon.

Carpenter's free handbook has 25 diagrams illustrating various methods of applying paneling, including corners, ceilings, around windows, etc., plus diagrams of the various moldings and a sketch showing how and where they are used.

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Thermostat Wrongly Placed May Ruin Heat Efficiency

Do you have trouble keeping all the rooms of your house at an even temperature during the winter months?

It could be your thermostat is in the wrong place. Location is extremely important, because the familiar household servant must measure room air temperature—and nothing else.

It's much easier to advise where the thermostat should not be placed than where it should be because home designs differ and family living habits vary. But here is a list of do's and don'ts that may be helpful:

Put the thermostat in one of the most lived-in rooms of the house, such as the living room, den or family room. The room should have at least one wall exposed to the outdoors, and some windows.

Install it in a room that gets a minimum of direct sunshine during the day. A great deal of sun shining into a room (especially one facing due south) will partially heat the room. As a result, the thermostat is misled and won't call for heat even though other rooms may be in need of it.

Mount it about four feet from the floor. It will perform well at this height, be easy to read and adjust and high enough to avoid tampering by children.

Place it on an inside wall at least one stud space from the outside wall. It never should be located on an outside wall.

Don't locate it in a room with a fireplace. If you do, the fire will heat the room and the thermostat will remain off even though other rooms may be chilly.

Don't place a lamp, TV set,

radio or any other heat-releasing appliance near the thermostat. Heat from the appliance will warm the thermostat and it won't call for heat when it should.

Don't mount it in a room close to an outside door or it will respond to the surge of cold outdoor air every time the door is opened.

Also avoid "hiding" the thermostat behind a door, in a closet or among books on a shelf.

The best idea is to suggest to your heating dealer where you would like to have the thermostat installed—but don't insist on it.

There may be good reasons why your preferred location would be a mistake, so let your heating expert make the final decision.

PORTABLE WASHER

NEW YORK (UPI) — A tuck-away portable clothes washer looks like a soup kettle with a motor in its dome and a drain outlet at the bottom. The handy gadget is for small laundry loads usually done by hand.

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Heres The Answer

By ANDY LANG
AP Newsfeatures

QUESTION: Some weeks ago I bought an unfinished wooden coffee table and have been debating with myself ever since on what kind of finish to put on it. My wife says she read somewhere a

long time ago about a method of giving wood a marble effect with the use of paint. I'd like to try my hand at it. Can you tell me how it is done?

ANSWER: Yes, there is a way to simulate the marble look on wood. Some persons do it beautifully and get an almost exact marble appearance. Others just can't seem to get the hang of it. Should it fail to come out the way you expected, it's a simple matter to paint over the whole thing with another color. If you want to try the marble effect, here's how it goes: Apply a white undercoat paint to the top of the table. When it is thoroughly dry, apply a dark high-gloss enamel with a paint brush about two and one-half inches wide. The enamel should be thinned a bit with turpentine. While this dark enamel is still wet, apply a light color enamel with an artist's brush, twisting the wrist and hand to simulate the marble veining. Immediately apply still another enamel, a different light color, also using an artist's brush. Next—and again while the paint is still wet—crumple a piece of news paper on the veining. This last procedure softens the lines while at the same time picking up any loose paint. Allow the entire job to dry—and you have your marble effect.

(Questions of general interest will be answered in this column. However, individual correspondence cannot be undertaken.)

DIP BRUSH CORRECTLY

When painting, don't dip your brush into the paint more than a third of the way up the bristles. The ends of the bristles do the work, and excess paint merely clogs the heel of the brush, makes it harder to clean and shortens its life.

Shucks, It's Easy, Brass Might Say

WASHINGTON (UPI)—In what office building do 25,000 workers watch 3,000 clocks and, during coffee breaks, guzzle 30,000 cups?

Here's a hint:
It has a brassy atmosphere.
Still stumped? More than 270,000 persons spend a time a day to talk to government employees on its 60,900 telephones.

You can walk 17 1/2 miles if you cover every inch of corridor. But it only takes six minutes to walk the maximum distance—1,600 feet—between any two of its offices.

Hint: Its new boss has the same name as an Irish band leader famed in song.

Haven't got it yet?

If you get tired bounding up one of its 150 stairways, you may choose from 19 separate escalators and get a drink from any of its 550 water fountains.

Before it was built, the site was known as "Hell's Bottom," but more recently has been tagged the "Concrete Carousel."

Here are some additional facts: Five national Capitol buildings could easily fit inside. It sprawls over 34 acres, parks 9,300 cars and looks like man's early attempt at a wheel when seen from the air.

If you haven't got it yet, you might as well give up.

For those who knew it all along and are just checking — you're right — it's the Pentagon, the world's largest office building and seat of the nation's Defense Department.

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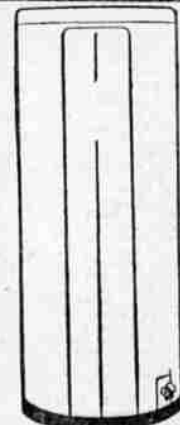
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