



# INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS FOR CASING

## TOOL REQUIRED:

- Finger-jointed pine casing
- Miter saw (or hand saw with miter box)
- Measuring tape
- Pencil
- Carpenter's square
- Nail gun (or hammer + 2" finishing nails)
- Wood glue/caulk
- Sandpaper (120-grit)
- Paintable caulk & paint (if finishing)
- Safety glasses

## INSTALLTION STEPS

### Step-by-Step Instructions

#### Step 1: Measure and Plan

- Measure the door/window opening's perimeter (add 10% extra for mistakes).
- Mark a level line around the frame to align the casing's edge (use a laser level for accuracy).

#### Step 2: Cut the Casing Pieces

- Head (top) piece: Cut to the width of the opening + casing width on both sides.
- Side pieces: Cut to the height of the opening + casing width at the top.
- Outside corners: Cut at 45-degree angles (angled outward). Test-fit before nailing.
- Tip: Label pieces (e.g., "Left Side") to avoid confusion.

#### Step 3: Attach the Casing

1. Install side pieces first:



- Align with the marked level line.
- Nail into the framing at an angle with 2" finishing nails (every 12–16").

2. Install the head (top) piece:

- Fit snugly against the side pieces. Reinforce with wood glue at joints.

#### **Step 4: Finish**

- Fill nail holes/gaps with paintable caulk.
- Sand lightly for smooth edges.
- Prime/paint to protect the wood and unify seams.

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#### **PRO TIPS:**

- ☑ Test-fit all cuts with scrap wood first.
- ☑ Pre-drill near ends to prevent splitting finger joints.
- ☑ Uneven frames? Use shims behind the casing for a flush fit.
- ☑ Finger-jointed pine offers superior stability—seal all edges to prevent moisture warping.