

# CORNICI CRÉATIONS

## **FIREPLACE MANTEL INSTALLATION GUIDE**

This document provides general guidelines for the installation of a «*Piertex*» Cornici mantel. Steps in installation process may vary depending on model.

### **Step 1**      **Pre-assembly measurements**

Define center of header. Take measurements between inner side of leg male receptacles on header and divide by two (measure A). Define firebox center (measure B). From center of firebox (measure B), transfer measure A to each side. This defines position of each leg (measure C).



### **Step 2**      **Filler panels**

Position filler panels around fireplace. Cut panels to desired length. The panels should exceed at least  $\frac{3}{4}$  inches the header's inner side length at the leg receptacles (measure C). Assemble panels by applying grout or joint compound to backing.



### Step 3     Hearth



Level the podium (hearth) with the floor using brick mortar or thinset masonry mix (not included). This stage should be taken seriously to obtain a successful assembly.

### Step 4     Leg assembly

Notice female receptacles on top of left and right leg. Male receptacles are located on header.



Place legs aligning inner edges to markings (measure C). Lean legs flush against the back wall. Legs must overlap filler panels.

## Step 5 Header assembly

Carefully place header (mantel shelf) on legs aligning male-female receptacles.



Make sure that side of legs and header are well aligned.



## Step 6 Securing mantel



At both ends of the header, find studs behind the wall and drill holes at a 45 degree angle from the header to the wall (facing studs). Screw the header to the wall using ordinary wood screws (3" or 4", #10). Repeat operation to the side of header clearing the mantel shelf.

**Step 7** *Piertext* grout application

Fill spaces between assembled parts and screw holes using included *Piertext* grout.



**Step 8** The finishing touch

After a drying time of 5 to 10 minutes, wipe to remove excess grout with a damp sponge to a smooth finish.

