

FIREPLACE INSTALLATIONS SUGGESTIONS

- First of all have in mind that some parts are heavy and you may need two or three men to lift those pieces.
- Precaution should be taken no to rest weight on edges.
- Make sure that both floor and wall are level and true plumb.
- The installation of mantels with heavy upper parts works better if the lower parts laid have a chance to dry before installation of heavy upper sections. Proper shimming and bracing will facilitate completing the installation.
- Caution: Keep the setting mortar clean of the face and edges of the mantelpieces.
- Before proceeding to grout, mask off joint edges with masking tape and cover any exposed stone with plastic to prevent mortar splashes.
- Use a good quality white mortar mix for installation.
- For point-up use, mix four parts matching sand and two parts of white mortar.
- When grout has set up do not rake joints. Remove masking tape and with a piece of burlap burnish the joints.