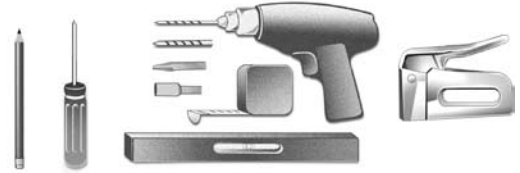# Swag and Cascade Valance

Swag and Cascade Valances

Installation Instructions

Tools Required

- Power drill with the following bits:
  - ¹⁄₁₆" and ³⁄₁₆" drill bits
  - ¼" hex driver
  - Phillips screwdriver
  - Masonry or metal drill bits (if mounting surface requires)
- Pencil
- Awl
- Tape measure
- Level
- Ladder or stepstool
- Staple gun

Hardware

- L-brackets (for wall mounts)
- ¾" hex head screws (for mounting valance to brackets)
- 1½" hex head screws (for mounting brackets to wall)
- 2" hex head screws (for mounting board to ceiling)
- Mending plates and flat head Phillips screws (for valances shipped with two-piece mounting boards)
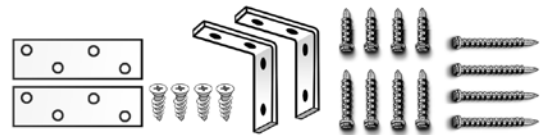
Special Fasteners

Brackets must be securely attached to the wall or other mounting surface. If wood studs are not available, use special fasteners designed for your mounting surface (not included). See illustration for examples.
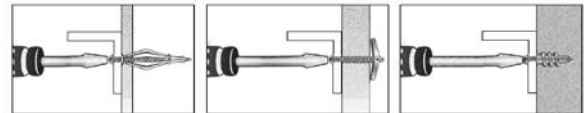
Molly Bolt   Hollow Wall Anchor   Anchor

Tips

- If drilling into metal, purchase self-tapping screws.
- When selecting your fastener, make sure it is designed to support the weight of the product being installed. Follow the fastener manufacturer's instructions carefully.

Valances Mounted with VELCRO® Strips

Before you begin: Join the Mounting Board
(for wide valances)

Align the two pieces of the board top-down on a clean firm surface, being sure the VELCRO strips for the cascades are toward the outside ends. Place the mending plates as shown. Drill 1⁄16" pilot holes (without drilling through the fabric on the top of the board) and attach the mending plates using the eight short Phillips screws provided.
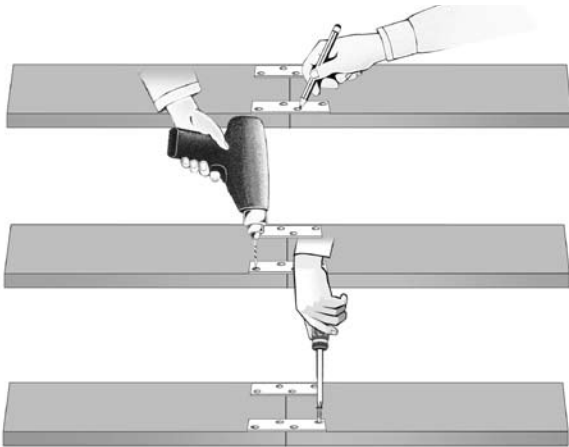
Step 1: Attach the Brackets to the Wall

Measure and mark the positions of the brackets, making sure they are level. Place end brackets about 3" from the ends of the mounting board. For wide valances, place additional brackets about 30"–40" apart. Drill 1⁄16" pilot holes, and attach the brackets using the 1½" hex head screws provided.
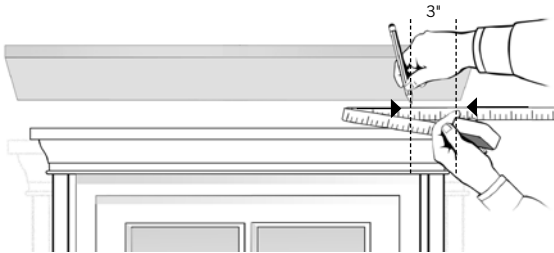
Step 2: Mount the Mounting Board on the Brackets

(You can do this after steps 3 and 4 if desired.)

Place the mounting board on the brackets, making sure it is centered and flush with the wall. Drill 1⁄16" pilot holes (without drilling through the fabric on the top of the board), and attach the mounting board using the short hex head screws provided.
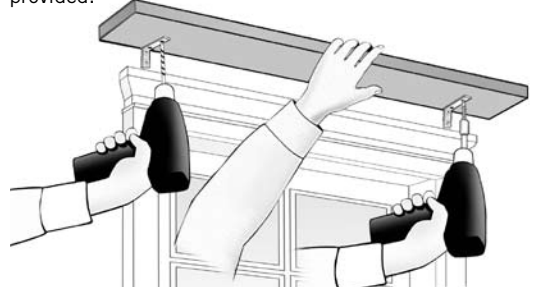
Step 3: Attach the Swags

Note: If the valance is configured with the swags over the cascades, do step 4 before this step.

One-Way Overlap Left

Reserve the swag that has no VELCRO on the top surface for the far right. Beginning at the left edge of the mounting board, attach the swags by joining the VELCRO strips as shown.

One-Way Overlap Right

Reserve the swag that has no VELCRO strip on the top surface for the far left. Beginning at the right edge of the mounting board, attach the swags by joining the VELCRO strips.

Centered Overlap

Reserve the swag that has no VELCRO strip on the top surface for the center of the valance. Separate the left swags (VELCRO strip on the right upper surface) from the right swags (VELCRO strip on the left upper surface). Beginning at the left edge of the mounting board, attach the left swags by joining the VELCRO strips. Attach the right swags in the same way. Attach the center swag overlapping both the left and right swags.
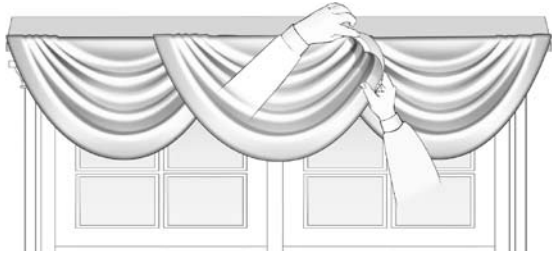
Step 4: Attach the Cascades

Attach the cascades by aligning the VELCRO strips as shown.
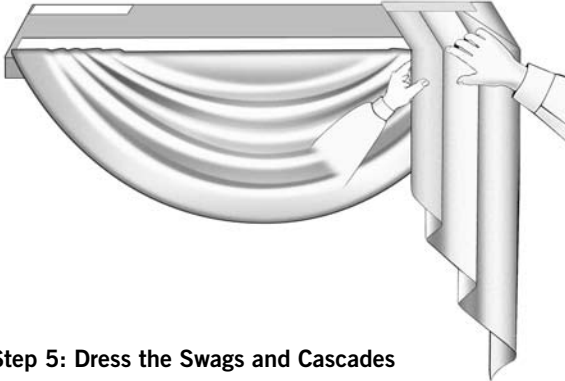
Step 5: Dress the Swags and Cascades

Arrange the folds of the swags and cascades and steam out any wrinkles as needed.

# Valances Mounted with Tack Strips (Mounting Board Not Included)

Inside or Outside Mount

Step 1: Cut the Mounting Board

Cut a mounting board from ¾" lumber to the exact specified dimensions of the valance.

Step 2: Drill Mounting Holes (for inside mount only)

Drill ³⁄₁₆" holes in the mounting board approximately 3" from each end, and drill additional holes approximately every 30"–40" (for wide valances).
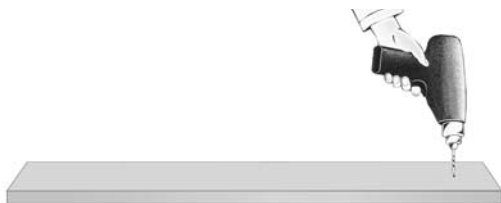
## Step 3: Attach the Swags to the Mounting Board

Note: If the valance is configured with the swags over the cascades, do step 4 before this step.)

When attaching the valance to the board, use a staple gun with staples at least ⅜" long, and place staples parallel to the edge of the board.

For multiple swags, a short line of stitching on the tack strip marks the position for the edge of the next overlapping swag.

Single Swag

Position the tack strip of the swag on top of the mounting board along the front edge as shown. Staple along the back edge of the tack strip, first at the ends and then at the midpoint. Then place staples about every 4", taking care not to stretch or bunch the fabric.
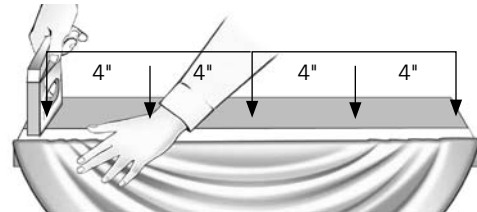
One-Way Overlap Left

Reserve the swag that has no stitched overlap marking for the right side. Staple the tack strip of the first swag along the top left edge of the mounting board as shown. Place staples approximately every 4", taking care not to stretch or bunch the fabric. Align and staple the additional swags so that each overlaps the previous swag up to the stitched marking. Attach the final swag beginning from the right corner.
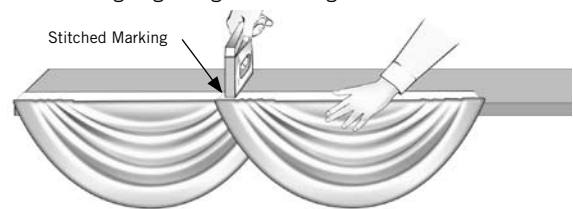

Stitched Marking

One-Way Overlap Right

Reserve the swag that has no stitched overlap marking for the left side. Staple the tack strip of the first swag along the top right edge of the mounting board. Place staples approximately every 4", taking care not to stretch or bunch the fabric. Align and staple the additional swags so that each overlaps the previous swag up to the stitched marking. Attach the final swag beginning from the left corner.

Centered Overlap

Reserve the swag that has no stitched overlap marking for the center. Separate the right swags (marker stitching toward the left end) from the left swags (marker stitching toward the right end). Measure and mark the midpoint of the mounting board.

Staple the tack strip of the first left swag to the top of the mounting board along the front left edge. Place staples approximately every 4", taking care not to stretch or bunch the

fabric. Staple the additional left swags so that each overlaps the previous swag up to the stitched marking. Repeat the process for the right swags. Staple the midpoint of the center swag to the midpoint of the board, and then staple it overlapping the left and right swags, placing staples about every 4".

Midpoint
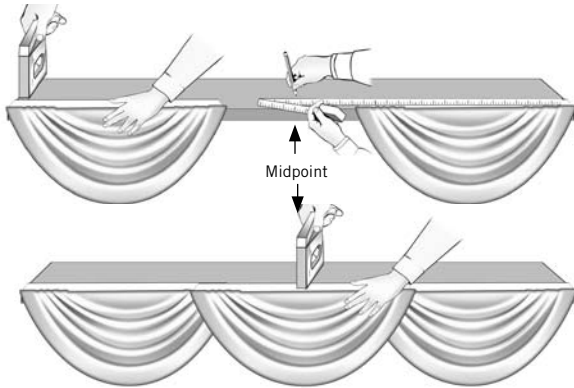
Step 4: Attach the Cascades to the Mounting Board

Place the cascades on the board as shown and staple along the back edge.
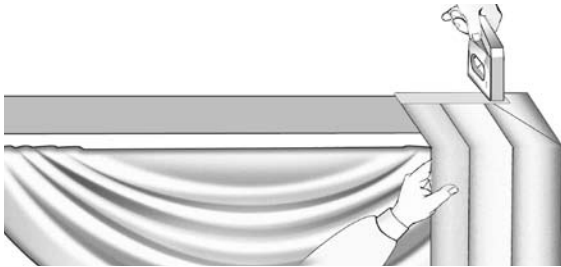
Outside/Wall Mount

Begin with steps 1–4 above under "Inside or Outside Mount"

Step 5: Attach the Brackets to the Wall

Measure and mark the positions of the brackets, making sure they are level. Place end brackets about 3" from the ends of the mounting board, and place additional brackets about 30"–40" apart (for wide valances). Drill 1/16" pilot holes in the wall, and attach the brackets using the 1½" hex head screws provided.

Step 6: Mount the Valance on the Brackets

Place the valance on the brackets, making sure it is centered and flush with the wall. Drill 1/16" pilot holes in the board (without drilling through the fabric on the top). Attach the mounting board using the ¾" hex head screws provided.

Step 7: Dress the Valance

Arrange the folds of the swags and cascades and steam out any wrinkles as needed.

Inside/Ceiling Mount

Begin with steps 1–4 above under "Inside or Outside Mount"

Step 5: Mark the Mounting Position

Use an awl to pierce the fabric that covers the predrilled holes in the mounting board. Hold the mounting board in position and use an awl to mark the mounting hole positions.

Step 6: Mount the Valance

Drill 1/16" pilot holes, and attach the valance using the 2" hex head screws provided.
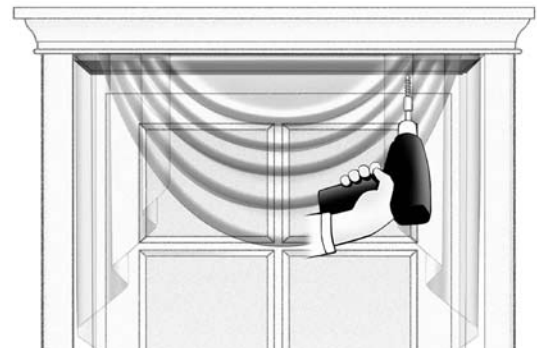
Step 7: Dress the Valance

Arrange the folds of the swags and cascades, and steam out any wrinkles as needed.

Caring for Your Valance

These valances will provide you with years of beauty and pleasure with minimal care and cleaning. To care for your valance:

• Vacuum using a brush or dust head attachment.

• Dust lightly using a soft, clean cloth.

• Dry clean your valance if it needs a more thorough cleaning.

• Never immerse your valance in water or liquids of any kind.