Malibu Wide Plank™



MALIBU WIDE PLANK MOLDING INSTALLATION GUIDE

Congratulations on purchasing your Rigid Core Luxury Vinyl Plank Flooring and Moldings. All Malibu Rigid Core Floors and Moldings are manufactured under the strictest quality controls. We hope you will enjoy your new floor and Moldings. The Color of all Malibu Wide Plank Moldings will coordinate well with your Malibu Wide Plank Rigid Core Flooring. Moldings available are Quarter Round, Flush Stair Nose, or 3-in-1 which offers versatility as a Reducer, T-Mold, or End Cap.

Each piece of coordinating molding is 94.48" long and composed of a hollow waterproof Rigid Core. The molding can be cut to desired length using a fine-toothed finishing saw blade. When installing, we recommend using Loctite PL 3X Premium Construction Adhesive (or equivalent). Scuff the underside of the part to receive adhesive with sand-paper and apply in "S" pattern. Use weight to apply pressure until fully cured (usually Molding Profiles 48 hours). An alternative method is to use double-sided molding tape such as Hilway Direct Molding Tape. If you choose to use nails (not recommended), carefully pre-drill pilot holes for the nails.

Please ensure you follow these guidelines, and your Flooring will be beautiful and problem free for years to come.



SAFETY

Always ensure to wear safety glasses, hearing protection and other personal protective equipment during the installation process.



PREPARATION

Ensure you properly prepare the site prior to installation.



INSTALLATION

Follow the install guidelines for placing and install of all moldings.



TOOLS REQUIRED

Measuring Tape, Pencil, Saw/Cutting device, Scissors, Personal Protective Equipment such as Safety Glasses and hearing protection.

MOLDING PROFILES AVAILABLE:

3-in-1 (FUNCTIONS AS A REDUCER, T-MOLD, or END CAP - 1.85" WIDE X 94.48" LENGTH)

REDUCER

This is used to transition from a higher-profile (or thickness) floor to a lower-profile floor. Cut Reducer and Track to same desired length. Secure Track to floor with glue or molding tape and press or tap Reducer into Track to desired depth using rubber mallet.

T-MOLD

This t-shaped transition piece covers the narrow gap in a doorway between two adjacent floors that are on the same level. Cut T-molding and Track to same desired length. Secure Track to floor with glue or molding tape and press or tap T-molding into Track to desired depth using rubber mallet.

MAXIMUM WIDTH/LENGTH OF ROOM IS 1000 SF. ANY ROOMS > 1000 SF WILL REQUIRE A T-MOLD TRANSITION.

END CAP

Used to transition from hard surface floors to floors of a different height level or thickness. Cut Threshold and Track to same desired length. Secure Track to floor with glue or molding tape and press or tap Threshold into Track to desired depth using rubber mallet.



Make sure the surface is clean, dust-free, and dry.



Measure Molding and Snap Track to intended length. Cut molding with a hacksaw or power saw. The Installation Track is cut most easily with tin snips.



Position the Installation Track above the seam (a minimum 1/2" gap required). Place the Installation Track into the gap (seam) and apply firm and consistent pressure across the track to properly adhere to the surface. Wait 10 minutes before next step.



SNAP INTO PLACE: After the Installation Track has been in position for 10 minutes, position Reducer over the Installation Track. The higher Reducer leg should be positioned over the taller floor surface and the lower Reducer leg positioned over the shorter floor surface.

Starting at one end, place the Reducer into the Installation Track and continue "snapping" the Reducer (lengthwise) into the Track. Apply pressure across the Reducer until Reducer is in place and both edges of Reducer are snug and in position on top of the two adjoining floors.



Wait 24 hours to walk on.

QUARTER ROUND (1" WIDE X 94.48" LENGTH)

Used to create finishing touch between floor and baseboards. Measure and cut to fit. Affix molding using glue or molding tape. When using adhesive, be sure to follow manufacturer's instructions completely.



Make sure the surface is clean, dust-free, and dry.



Measure then cut Molding with a hacksaw or power saw.



Apply adhesive to back of Quarter Round and apply firm and consistent pressure to properly adhere Quarter Round to the wall base. **DO NOT GLUE TO THE FLOOR.**

FLUSH STAIR NOSE (4.5" WIDE X 94.48" LENGTH)

Used when installing Rigid Core Flooring on stairs, providing the finishing touch to the front stair edge. Cut Stair Nose to proper length. Secure Stair Nose to subfloor with Loctite PL 3X Premium Construction Adhesive (or equivalent) and finish screws (predrill holes in nosing to avoid damage). Apply additional adhesive to the step edge where the nosing meets at the vertical riser/surface to reinforce the nosing.



Make sure the surface is clean, dust-free, and dry.



Measure then cut Molding with a hacksaw or power saw.



Apply adhesive to back of Stair Nose and apply firm and consistent pressure to properly adhere to the subfloor.

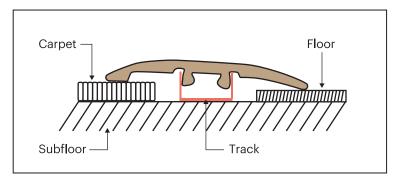


Apply adhesive to the groove of the stairnose to secure the plank tongue into the groove of the stairnose. Super glue – cyanoacrylate glue works well.

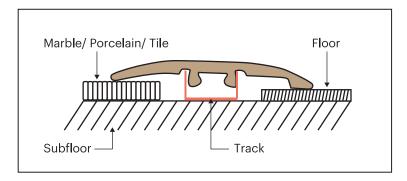


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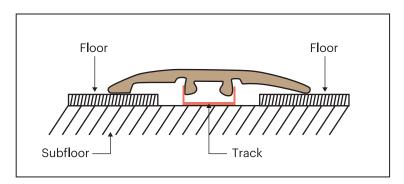
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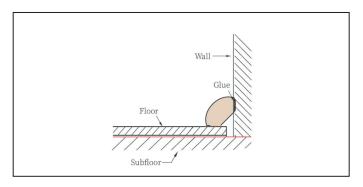
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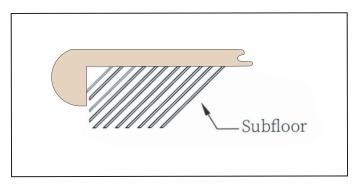
DIAGRAMS (T-MOLD):



DIAGRAMS (QUARTER ROUND):



DIAGRAMS (FLUSH STAIR NOSE):



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- * Molding Diagrams are for illustration only outlining transitions from different hard or soft surface flooring types.