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REQUIRED TOOLS



Required Tools; Backsplash Dowels, Silicone, Backsplash Drill Jig, Dead Blow Hammer, Panel Adjuster, Denatured Alcohol Spray Bottle, Soft Plastic Chalk Scraper.

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FIND LOW SPOTS



After the countertop is securely installed, find low points and the recessed areas of the drywall of the countertop with a level or straight edge.

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DRILL REAR DOWEL HOLES



Use the Backsplash Drill Jig to drill 5/16" dowel holes in the low and recessed areas of the wall and countertop, about 36" OC should work.

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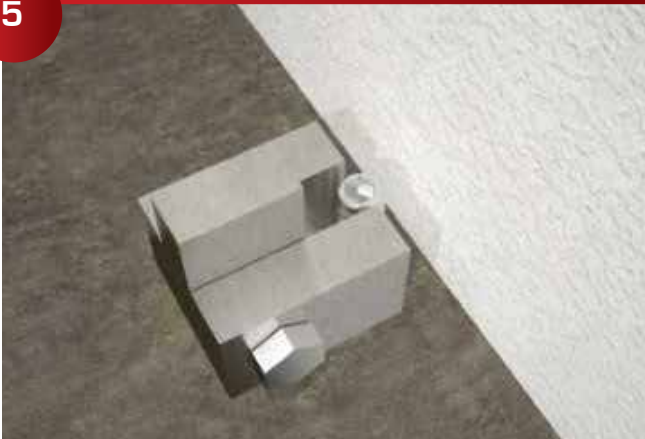
DRILL FRONT DOWEL HOLES



Drill dowel holes about 4" from the front end of the backsplash.

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BACKSPLASH ALIGNMENT BLOCKS



The Backsplash Alignment Blocks are used to hold backsplash into position and as a dowel location gauge for the backsplash.

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MARK BACKSPLASH



Dry fit the backsplash into position and make the pencil marks on both sides of the dowel to the backsplash.

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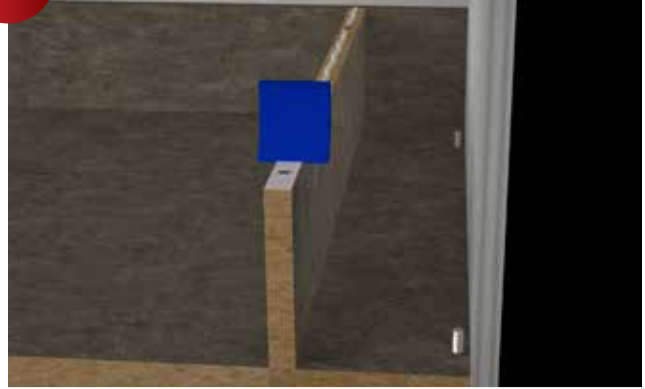
DRILL BACKSLASH DOWEL HOLES



Using the pencil marks as your guide for the Backsplash Drill Jig, drill the holes for the Dowels.

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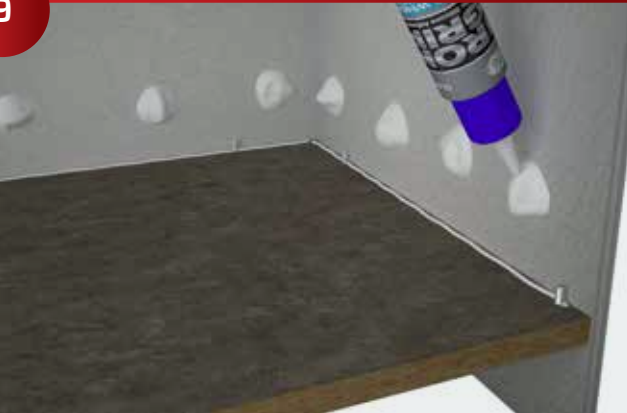
WATER PROOF WITH SILICONE



Place a thick bead of silicone on the base of backsplash. The goal is to have ooze 100% of the length of the counter to splash joint. This completely seals the backsplash from water.

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MOUNT WITH SILICONE



Place a thick bead of silicone on the wall above. The goal is not to let the silicone ooze over on the wall, most wall paint will not stick to silicone adhesive.

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LOCK INTO DOWELS



Force the backsplash down onto the dowels and into the bed of silicone. Lock into place with a dead blow hammer or clean block. **(Useful Assesories:** The 920 Panel Adjuster works well here.)

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SHOULD HAVE ALMOST NO SEAM



At this point your Backslash should have almost no seam and be securely locked into place with gap between the backsplash and the countertop 100% filled.

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SPRAY DENATURED ALCOHOL



(Tip: Spray all the excess oozed silicone with Denatured Alcohol to stop it from sticking to the counter top during clean up.)

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REMOVE EXCESS SILICONE



Using a soft plastic chalk scraper, scrape off all the excess silicone. This should leave a fine, clear, water resistance line of caulk.

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CLEAN UP



Wipe down any silicone residue with a clean rag and denatured alcohol.

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CAULK SPLASH



Caulk splash to wall with paintable clear caulk.

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DONE



Finished, mechanically fastened, water resistance Backsplash (per AWI Premium).