

Installing  
your

BestTread™  
with returns



Tools Needed

tape measure

angle finder

scraper

table/circular saw

painters tape

construction adhesive

caulk gun

STEP

1

Carefully measure width and depth of the step. Reduce your "width" measurement by 1/4" to allow space for the return molding (DO NOT cut the miter see fig. 1). Then cut (decor up) your **BestTread™** to size and dry-fit to ensure a proper fit.

(Measure and cut each stair/tread separately as they may be different. Steps may not all be square.)

PRO  
TIP

Use painters tape on the cut line before cutting to prevent chatter at the cut edge of your **BestTread™**.

BEFORE  
YOU  
BEGIN

Remove any carpet, staples, etc. from your stairs

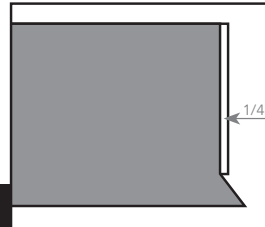


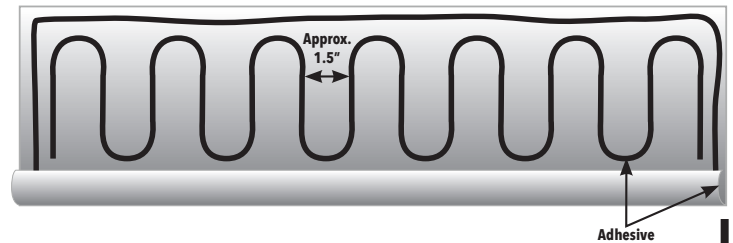
fig. 1

For a finished look on your return, remove the bullnose from the side of your step before measuring and cutting your **BestTread™**

STEP

2

Apply roughly a 1/4" bead of **urethane construction adhesive** about 1" from the edges and in a serpentine pattern with approx. 1.5" of space between each line. **Add a generous amount of adhesive into the bullnose as well.**



Adhesive

STEP

3

Starting at the bottom step, carefully position **BestTread™** on step approx. 1" from the riser and slide into place. Apply firm pressure to tread surface and follow adhesive manufacturers application guidelines. **Remove any excess adhesive immediately! Allow sufficient dry time (as recommended by adhesive manufacturer) before using your steps.**

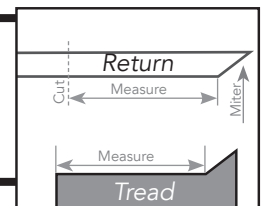
PRO  
TIP

We recommend securing the back end with finishing nails until the construction adhesive cures.

STEP

4

Premiter the end of the return, measure the depth of the step along the straight edge of the **BestTread™**. Then cut the straight edge of the return moulding as the length necessary for your step.



STEP

5

Apply a generous bead of construction adhesive to the back side of the return moulding and press onto 1/4" left of your original step. Be sure to align the miters of the return and **BestTread™**.

PRO  
TIP

Miter the back end of the return and "dog" ear for a more finished look.

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