

Laminate Sheet & Strip Installation

Materials Required

Contact Adhesive
Acetone
Clean Sticks
Clean Rag

Tools Required

Laminate Roller
Hand Router
Flush-Cut Router Bit
File
Shears
Paint Roller
Paint Pan

- carbide router bit. Keep router level to avoid scratching side strips. File cut edges to be flush to the side strips. File at a slight angle in a downward motion to avoid scratching side strips. Clean countertops with Acetone once complete to remove any glue residue.



- Trace and cut laminate for top and side strips. All pieces should be oversized by a minimum of a 1/2".
- Clean all dust and debris off of laminate and countertop substrate. Apply contact adhesive according to manufacturers instructions. Allow curing time if required.
- Carefully position the side strips to run even with the bottom of the substrate. Start at one end and work gradually to the other.
- Apply steady pressure with a laminate roller to ensure the proper adhesion of the laminate.
- Trim the excess laminate by using a hand router and bit. Keep the router as level as possible for the best results.
- File the trimmed laminate edge flush to the substrate. Always file toward the center of the substrate to avoid chipping.
- Apply contact adhesive to the underside of the laminate sheet, as well as the substrate per manufacturers instructions. Allow curing time if required.
- Place clean sticks across the substrate and place laminate on top of sticks. Align laminate to desired position.
- Remove sticks, trying to keep laminate in the same position.
- Bond laminate to substrate with the laminate roller by using steady pressure and working from the center out.
- Spray a lubricant, such as cooking spray, to the side strips. Lubricant will help prevent scratching to the surface of the strips while trimming. Trim any excess laminate from the top using the hand router with a straight or flush-cut