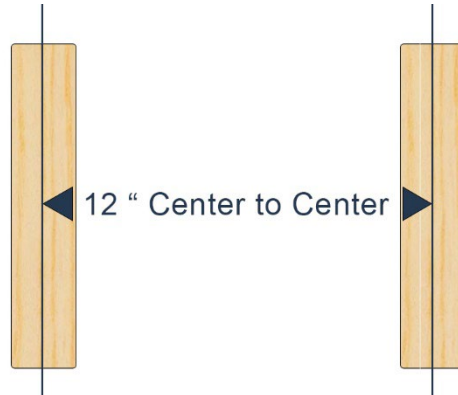


American Pro Porch Flooring Installation Guidelines

Preparation:

Use standard joists with a maximum spacing of 12" center to center.



Slope the joists away from the structure at a rate of 1/4" per foot.

Tooling and Fasteners:

Use pneumatic or electric nail guns or screw guns.

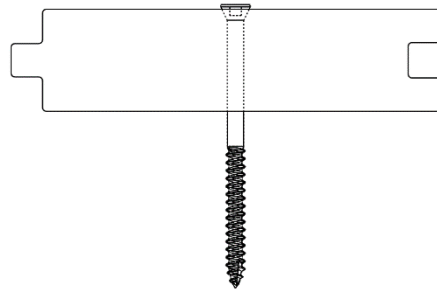
Use trim head screws or serrated nails as fasteners.

Recommended screws: minimum #7 x 2" 305 stainless steel trim head screws with #17 drill point.

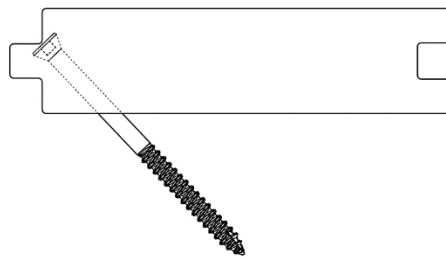
Recommended nails: minimum 2" barbed or serrated steel cleat "T" nails or "L" cleats.

Installation Process:

1. Start with the groove side of the boards against the structure or at the outer edge of the porch if boards run perpendicular to the structure.
2. Fasten the first board through the face into the joists, close to the structure.



3. Attach the board at each joist by driving a fastener through the tongue at a 30-45 degree angle (countersink screws for the next board).



4. Insert the grooved edge of the next board over the exposed tongue.
5. Adjust the gap between the boards for the desired look and maintain it consistently.
6. Attach the board at each joist with a fastener through the tongue as before.
7. Repeat steps 3-6 until you reach the edge of the porch. The final board may need to be modified to fit.

Notes on Expansion / Contraction:

Keep end butts and miters tight.

If installing in temperatures below 32°F (not recommended), leave a 1/16" gap.