

Closet Installation Instructions

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Welcome to Riverside Millwork's Closet Installation Instruction Guide

Hello and thank you for choosing Riverside Millwork for your closet installation needs! We are thrilled to assist you in bringing a new level of organization and style to your space. This guide is your comprehensive resource for installing Riverside Millwork's closets, designed to provide clear, step-by-step instructions to make your installation process as smooth and successful as possible.

In this guide, you'll find:

Detailed instructions for various closet components.

User-friendly language and a step-by-step approach.

Helpful tips to ensure a successful installation.

We encourage you to read through the instructions thoroughly before beginning and gather all the necessary tools and materials. Remember, a well-planned installation is key to achieving the best results. If at any point you need additional support, our team at Riverside Millwork is just a call or email away, ready to assist you.

Tools and Materials Needed

Before embarking on your closet installation journey, it's essential to gather all the necessary tools and materials to ensure a smooth and efficient process. Start with basic hand tools such as a hammer, screwdriver set (including Phillips and flathead), a power drill with various drill bits, a level, a tape measure, and a stud finder. If you're comfortable using one. Additionally, have a set of wrenches and pliers at hand for any adjustments. In terms of materials, ensure you have all the closet components, including shelves, rods, gables, drawer boxes, and hardware like screws, nails, and brackets. It's also wise to have some extra items like wood glue, sandpaper, and double-sided tape for minor fixes. Safety equipment is paramount, so include protective eyewear, gloves, and possibly a dust mask. By being prepared with these tools and materials, you're setting yourself up for a successful and hassle-free installation.

Preinstallation Checklist

Read Through the Instructions: Before beginning, take the time to thoroughly read through the installation guide. Understanding each step in advance will help streamline the process.

Check All Components: Ensure you have received all necessary components for your closet installation. Cross-reference the parts with the inventory list provided in the guide.

Prepare Your Tools: Gather all the tools listed in the "Tools and Materials Needed" section. Make sure your power tools are charged or you have access to an electrical outlet.

Measure Your Space: Carefully measure the area where you plan to install the closet. Verify these dimensions against the specifications of the closet system to ensure a proper fit.

Inspect the Area: Check the walls for levelness and the floor for evenness. Identify any potential obstacles such as outlets, switches, or vents that might affect the installation.

Locate Wall Studs: Use a stud finder to locate the studs in the walls where you will be securing the closet components. Marking these will be crucial for a secure installation.

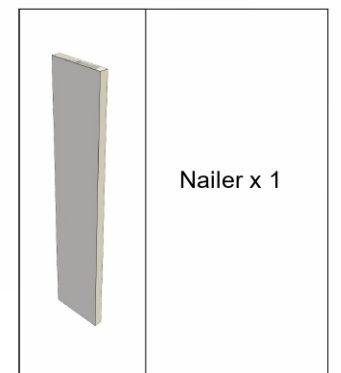
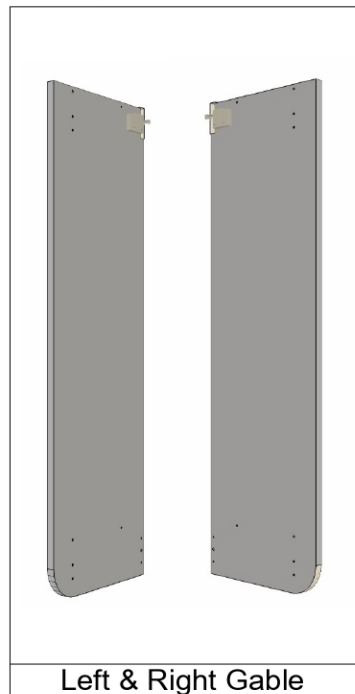
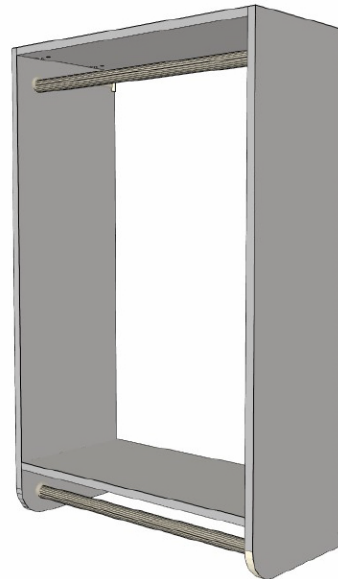
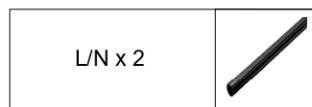
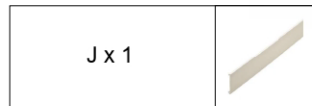
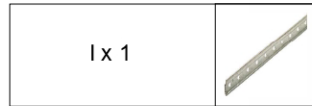
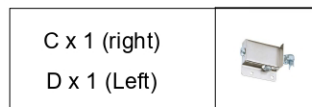
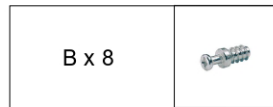
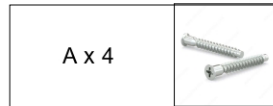
Clear the Workspace: Remove any existing furniture, decorations, or obstacles from the installation area. Ensure you have enough room to work comfortably.

Protect the Area: Consider laying down drop cloths or protective sheets to safeguard your flooring and nearby furniture from dust or damage during the installation process.

Safety First: Prepare your safety gear, including protective eyewear and gloves. Ensure your work area is well-lit and ventilated.

Ask for Assistance: Some steps in the installation may require an extra pair of hands. Plan ahead and ask a friend or family member for help if needed.

Double Hang (DH) Included in Models: Basic 2,4,6 & 10



ORDER OF ASSEMBLY/STEPS

Prepare the Gables: Start by placing both gables (left and right) face up on a soft cloth or cardboard. This will help protect your floor and the cabinet panels from scratches. Now, attach Screw B to each gable as shown in Diagram A.

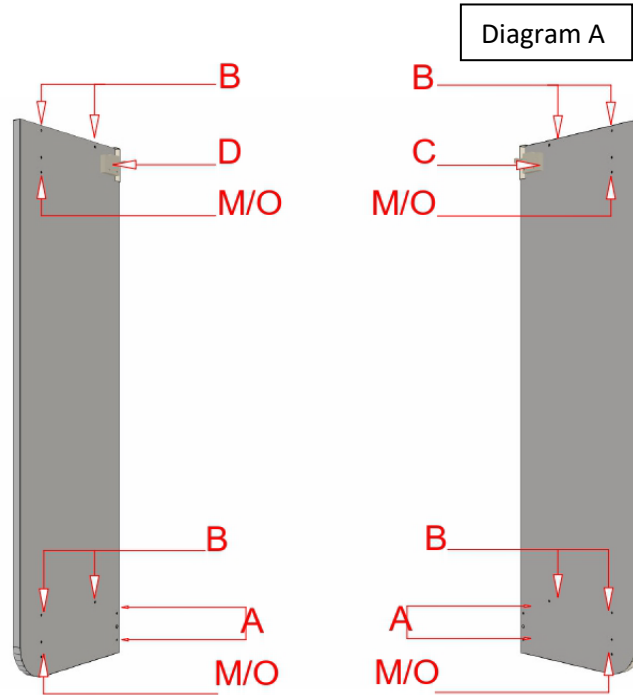
Attaching Additional Parts: Next, use Screw H to attach parts M/O, C, and D to both the left and right gables, following the guidance in Diagram A.

Working with One Gable: Pick one gable and lay its front edge on the floor. Now, securely fasten the nailer in place using Screw A.

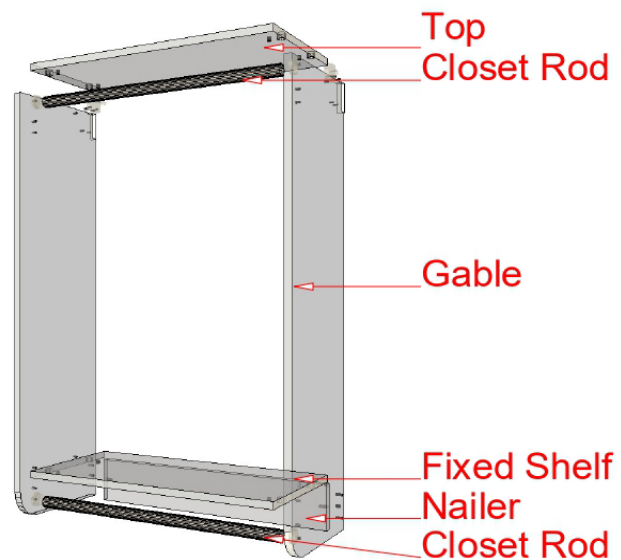
Assembling the Top Shelf: On the same gable you just worked on, keep it laid down and attach the Top, Fixed Shelf to it using Screw B.

Next Steps After Assembly: Once you've assembled all the cabinets for this room, please refer to the installation drawing and follow the instructions provided for the subsequent steps.

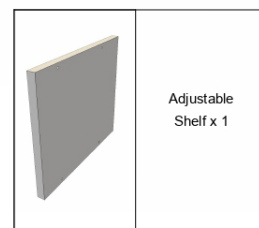
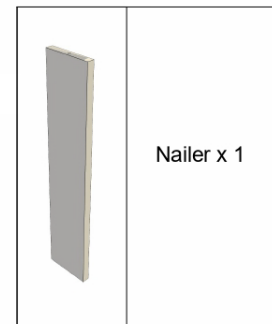
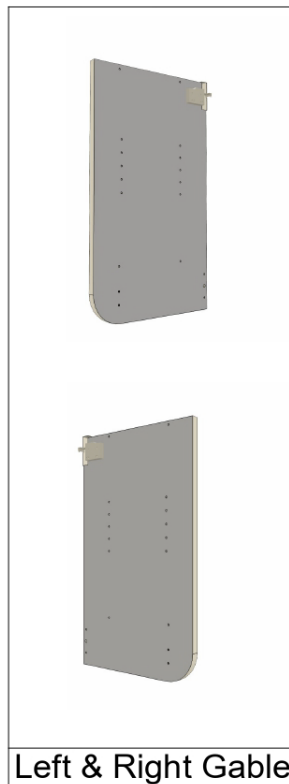
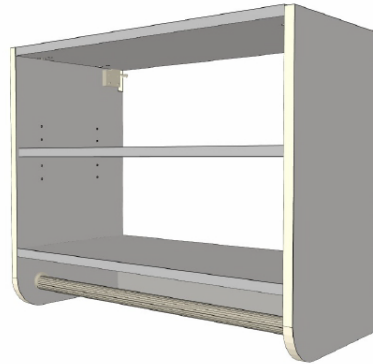
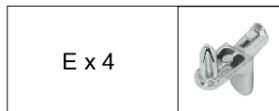
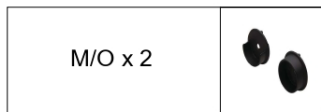
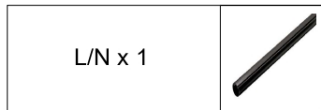
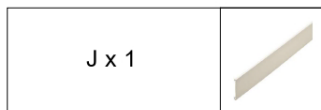
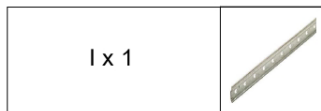
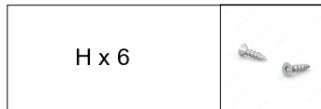
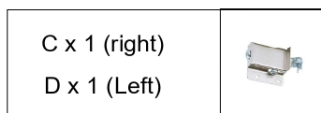
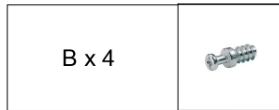
Remember, taking your time and ensuring each part is correctly aligned and firmly attached is key to a successful assembly.



Note: the **closet rod** should be installed after the unit is has been affixed to wall.



Long Hang (LH) Included in Closet Models: Basic 1,4,5,6,10 and Standard 1



ORDER OF ASSEMBLY/STEPS

Starting Off: Begin by laying both gables face up on a piece of cardboard or cloth. This is a smart move to avoid any scratches or damage to the unit.

Attaching Screws to Gables: Now, grab Screw B and attach it to both the left and right gables. You can see exactly how to do this in Diagram B.

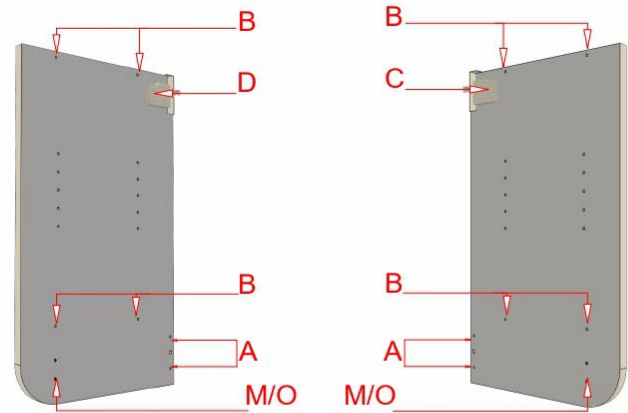
Attaching Additional Parts: Next, take parts M/O, C, and D, and using Screw H, attach them to both the left and right gables. Diagram B will show you the way!

Working on the Nailer: Choose one of the gables and turn its front edge towards the floor. Then, use Screw A to attach the Nailer in place.

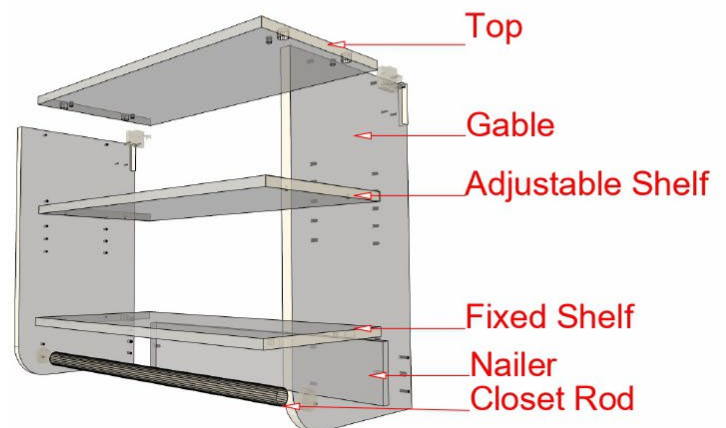
Assembling the Top Shelf: On the same gable, lay it down again and now it's time to attach the Top, Fixed Shelf. Do this using Screw B.

What's Next: Once you've successfully assembled all the cabinets for this room, take a look at the installation drawing. It, along with the instructions, will guide you on what to do next.

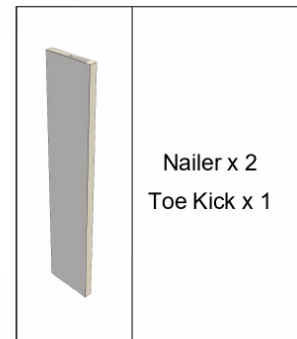
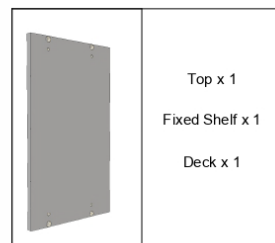
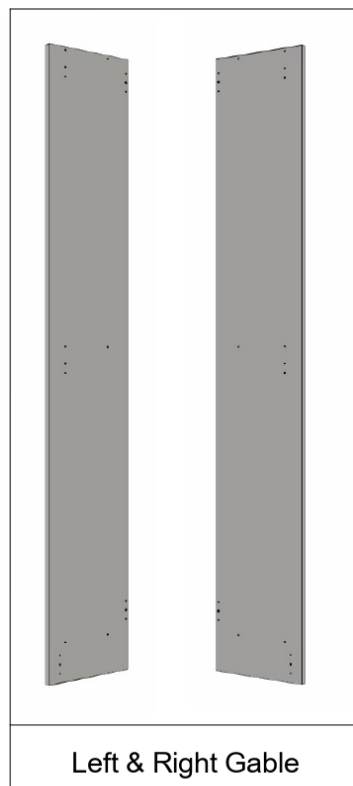
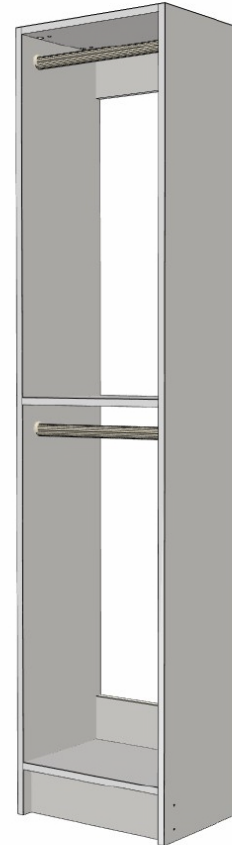
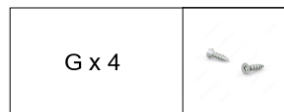
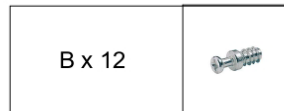
Diagram B



Note: the **closet rod and adjustable shelf** should be installed after the unit is affixed to the wall.



Tall Double Hang (TDH) Included in Models: Basic 8,11 and Standard 2,3,4,5 & 6



ORDER OF ASSEMBLY/STEPS

Prepare the Gables: Begin by laying both gables face up on cardboard or cloth. This is to make sure you don't scratch or damage the unit. Safety first!

Attaching Screws to Gables: Now, take Screw B and attach it to both the right and left Gables as shown in Diagram C. This is your first big step in assembly!

Adding More Parts: Using Screw G, attach part M/O to both the left and right Gables. You'll find the specifics in Diagram C.

Toe Kick and Nailer Installation: Choose one of the gables and lay its front edge on the floor. Then, attach the Toe Kick and Nailer using Screw A.

Assembling the Top Shelf: Keep the same gable laid down and attach the Top, Fixed Shelf using Screw B and a screwdriver.

Attaching the Second Gable: Take the second Gable and place it on top of the Fixed Shelf, Top, Nailer. Tighten it to Screw B using your screwdriver.

Securing the Toe Kick and Nailer: Again, use Screw A to attach the Toe Kick and Nailer.

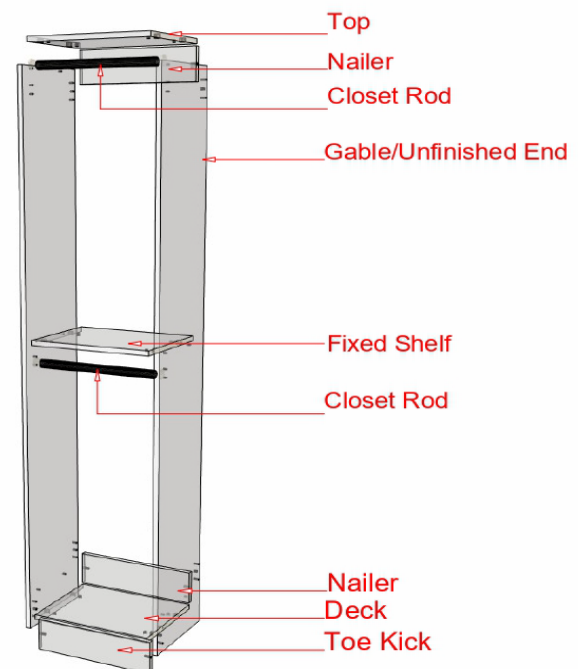
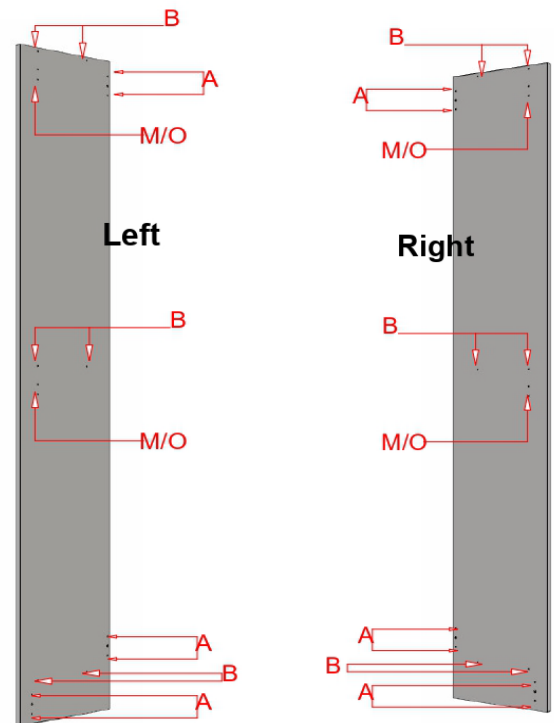
Deck Attachment: Attach the Deck to Screw B and tighten it with the screwdriver.

Upright Positioning: Carefully stand the cabinet upright against the wall.

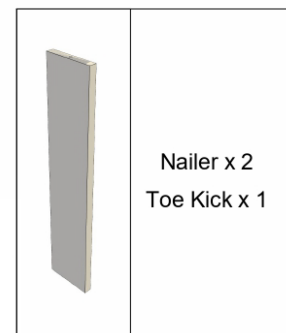
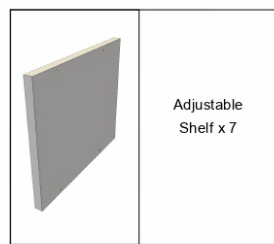
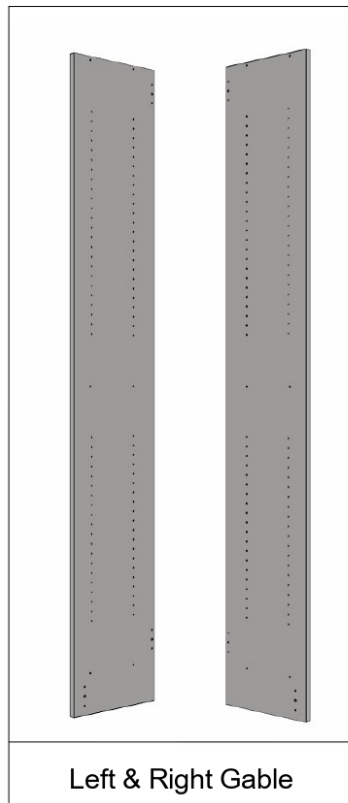
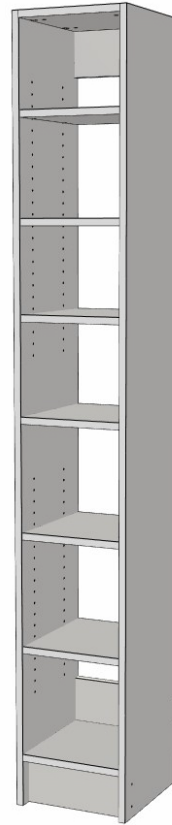
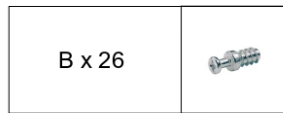
Final Steps: After assembling all the cabinets for this room, refer to the installation drawing and follow the instructions for the next steps.

Note: the **closet rod** should be installed after the unit is affixed to the wall.

Diagram C



Tall Shelf (TSHF) Included in Closet Models: Basic 8,9 & 11



ORDER OF ASSEMBLY/STEPS

Starting with the Gables: First, lay down both gables face up on cardboard or cloth. This is a smart step to avoid scratching or damaging the unit.

Attaching Screws to Gables: Use Screw B to attach it to the left and right gables, as shown in Diagram D.

Toe Kick and Nailer Installation: Turn one of the gables on the floor so its front edge is facing up. Now, attach the Toe Kick and Nailer using Screw A.

Assembling the Top Shelf: Keep the same gable laid down and attach the Top, Fixed Shelf to it using Screw B.

Working with the Second Gable: Now, take the second Gable and place it on top of the Fixed Shelf, Top, Nailer. Tighten it to Screw B with a screwdriver.

Securing the Toe Kick and Nailer Again: Attach the Toe Kick and Nailer once more, using Screw A.

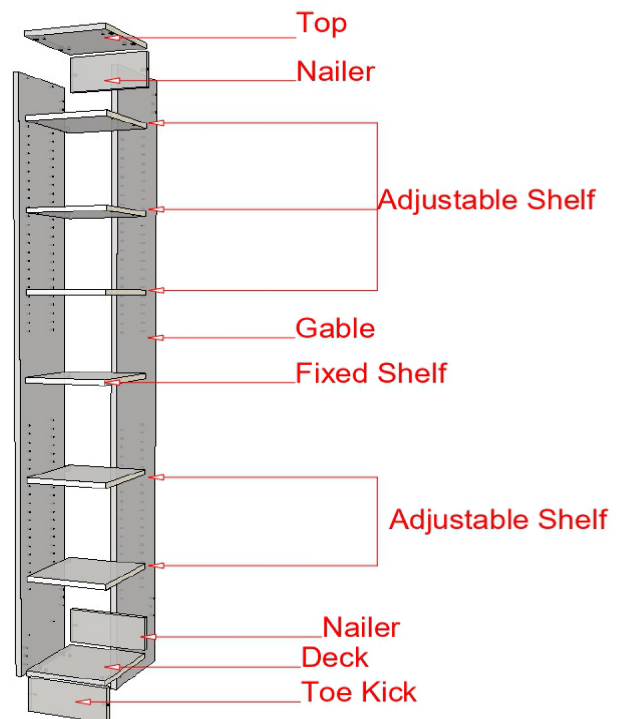
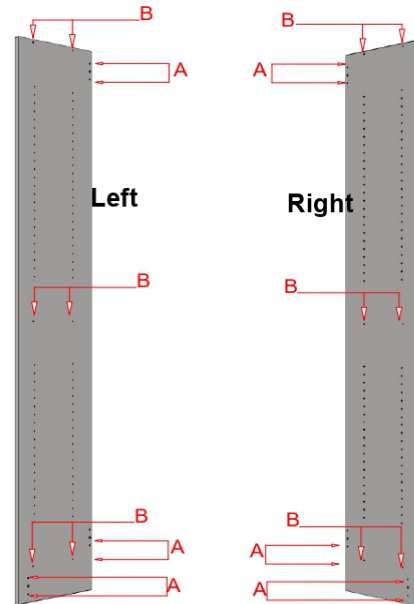
Deck Attachment: Next, attach the Deck to Screw B and tighten it with the screwdriver.

Upright Positioning: Stand the cabinet upright against the wall.

Final Steps: Once all the cabinets for this room are assembled, refer to the installation drawing and follow the instructions for your next steps.

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Diagram D



Tall Hang Shoe (THSHOE) Included in Models: Basic 11 and Standard 5

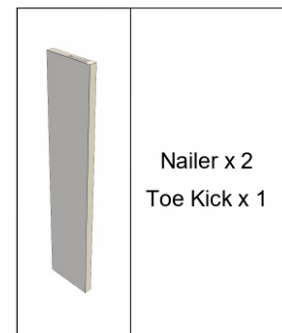
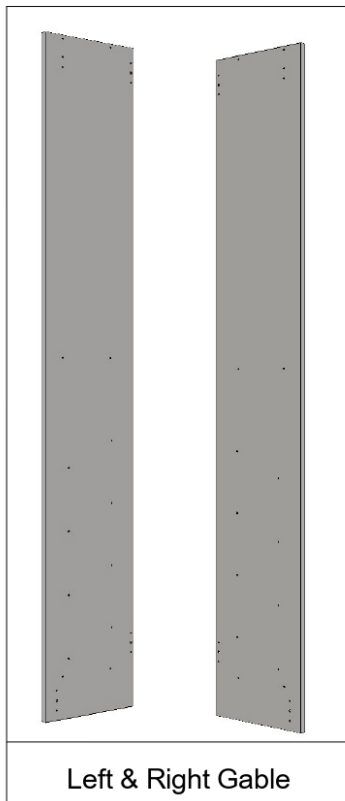
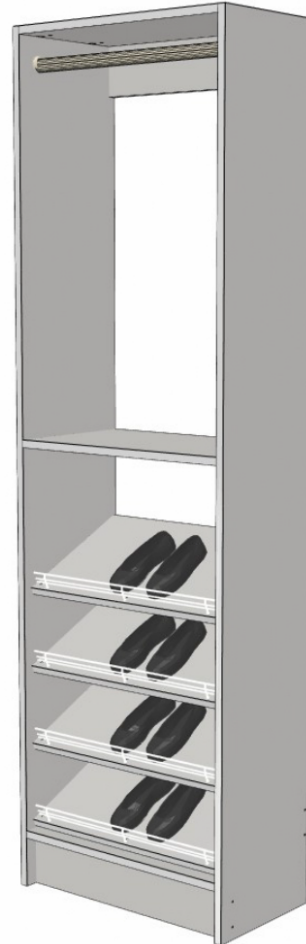
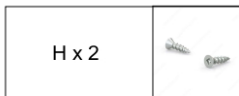
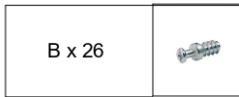


Diagram E

ORDER OF ASSEMBLY/STEPS

Getting Started with the Gables: Begin by laying down both gables face up on a piece of cardboard or cloth. This is a great way to protect your unit from any scratches or damage.

First Steps with Screws: Attach Screw B to the left and right Gables as shown in diagram E. It's the first step towards building your shelf!

Adding More Components: Now, with Screw H, attach part M/O to both the left and right Gables, following the guidance in the diagram.

Toe Kick and Nailer Installation: Turn one of the gables on the floor to expose the front edge and attach the Toe Kick and Nailer using Screw A.

Assembling the Top and Fixed Shelf with Rail: On the same gable, lay it down and attach the Top, Fixed Shelf, and Fixed Shelf with Rail to it using Screw B.

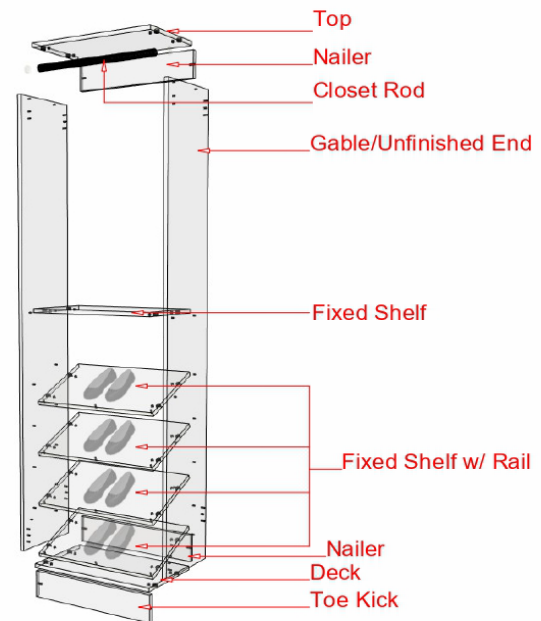
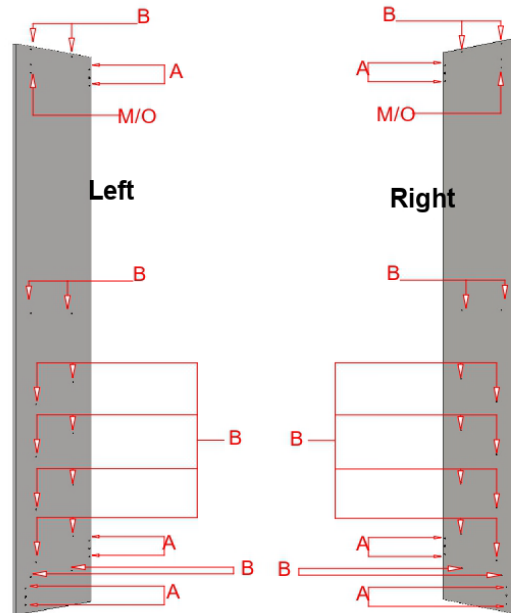
Second Gable Installation: Take the second Gable and place it on top of the Fixed Shelf, Top, Fixed Shelf with Rail, and Nailer. Tighten it to Screw B using a screwdriver.

Securing the Toe Kick and Nailer to the Second Gable: Use Screw A to attach the Toe Kick and Nailer once more.

Deck Attachment: Attach the deck to Screw B and tighten it using the screwdriver.

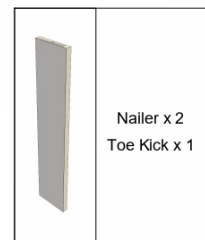
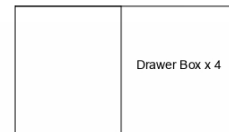
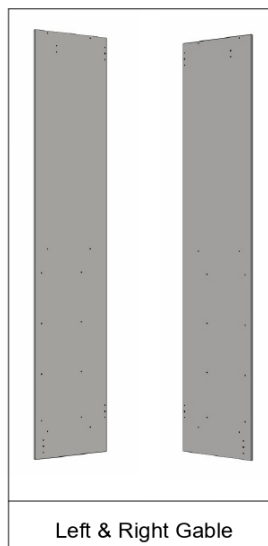
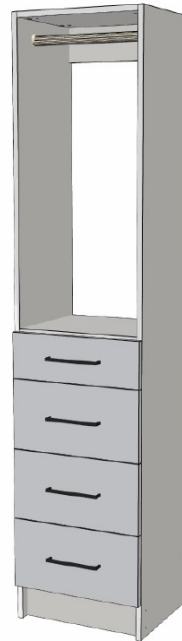
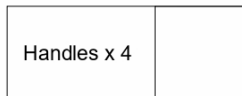
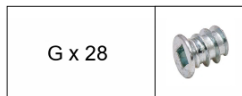
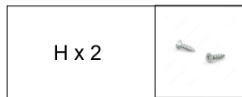
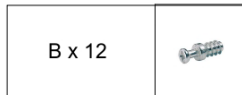
Upright Positioning: Carefully stand the cabinet upright against the wall.

Final Steps: Once all the cabinets for this room are assembled, refer to the installation drawing and follow the instructions for what to do next.



Note: the **closet rod** should be installed after the unit is affixed to the wall.

Tall 4 Drawer Hang (T4DH) Included in Closet Models: Standard 1-6



ORDER OF ASSEMBLY/STEPS

Preparing the Gables: Begin by laying both Gables face up on cardboard or a cloth. This smart move helps to prevent any scratches or damage to the unit.

Attaching the First Screws: Screw B comes into play here! Attach it to the left and right Gables as shown in Diagram F. It's an important step to get right.

Toe Kick and Nailer Installation: Turn one of the gables on the floor so that the front edge is facing up. Attach the Toe Kick and Nailer using Screw A.

Top Shelf Assembly: Stay with the same gable and lay it down to attach the Top, Fixed Shelf using Screw B.

Second Gable Placement: Now, take the second Gable and place it on top of the Fixed Shelf, Top, Nailer. Tighten it to Screw B with a screwdriver.

Securing the Toe Kick and Nailer Again: Repeat the Toe Kick and Nailer attachment, this time using Screw A again.

Deck Attachment: Attach the Deck to Screw B and make sure it's tightened with a screwdriver.

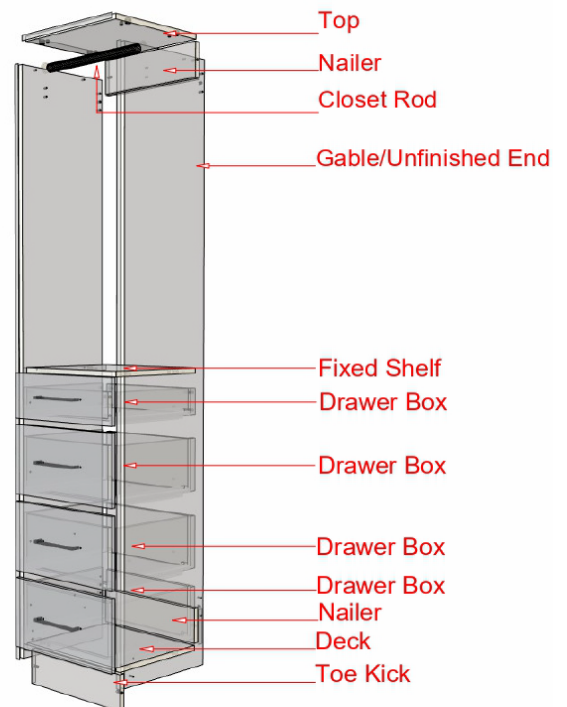
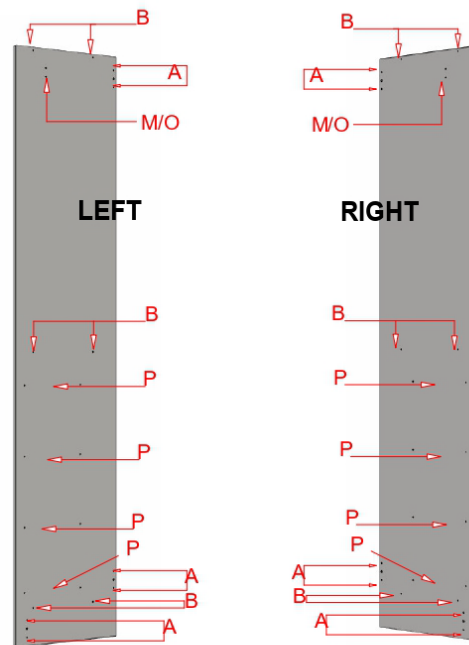
Adding Component P: Next up, attach Part P using Screw G, as per the details in Diagram.

Upright Positioning: Stand the cabinet upright against the wall.

Final Steps: After all the cabinets for this room are assembled, don't forget to refer to the installation drawing and follow the next steps as instructed.

Note: the **closet rod** should be installed after the unit is affixed to the wall.

Diagram F





Arranging the Cabinets: Start by arranging your assembled cabinets in the order shown on the provide drawings. It's like a fun puzzle, getting everything in just the right place.

Leveling and Aligning the Cabinets: Next, level each cabinet and make sure the front edge of each one is perfectly flush with its neighbor. This step is key for a seamless and professional look.

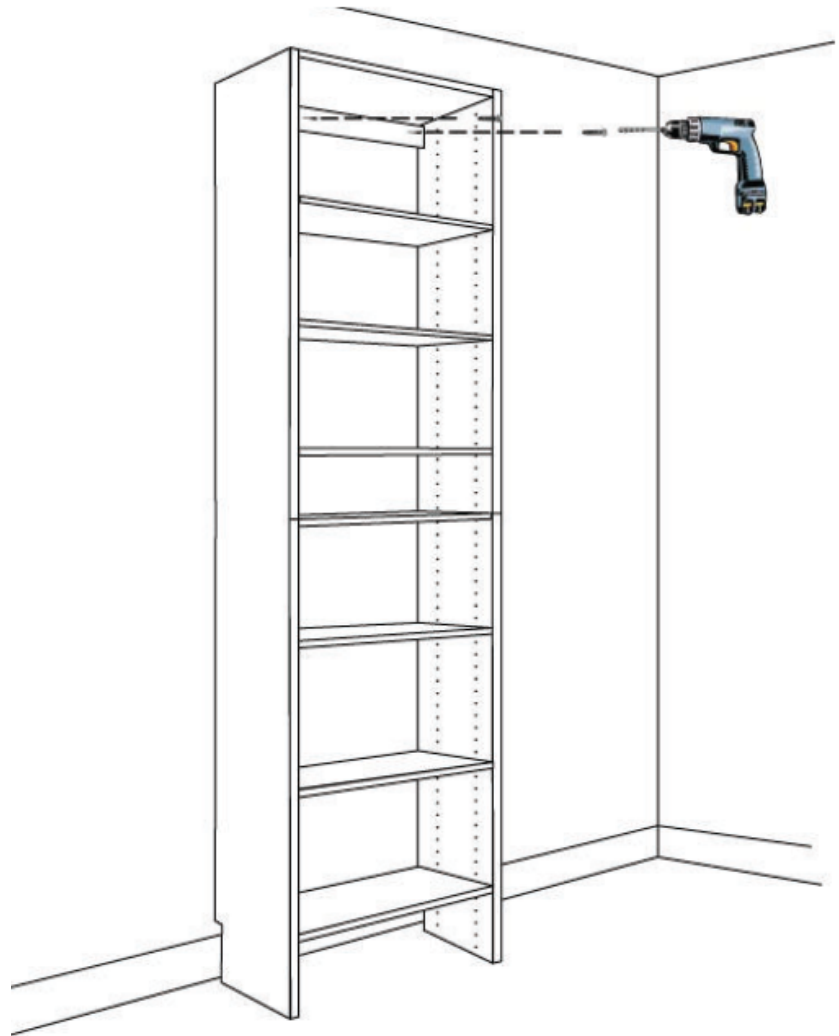
Securing Cabinets Together: Now, it's time to bond the cabinets together. Use 1 ¼ inch screws to securely screw the cabinets to each other. This will make sure they stay together as one solid unit.

Locating Studs: Grab a stud finder (not included in your kit) to locate the studs in your wall. This is an important step to ensure your cabinets are attached securely to the wall.

Attaching Cabinets to the Wall: Using 2 ½ inch screws, attach the closet to the wall through the Nailer at both the top and bottom of each cabinet, wherever a stud is located. Check out the adjacent diagram for a visual guide on how to do this.

Installation Instructions

Riverside Floor Standing Closet Installation



Installing Drawer Boxes and Fronts

Setting Up the Drawer Box: Let's start by placing the drawer box on top of the slides. Make sure the front (the side with the plastic clips on the bottom) is facing outward. Gently push the drawer box back into the cabinet until you hear a satisfying click. That's your cue that it's in place!

Aligning the Drawer Front: Next, use double-sided tape to line up the bottom drawer front with the bottom edge of the Deck. Aim for a tiny gap of about 1/16th of an inch on each side between the drawer front and the outer edge of your gable. It's all about getting that perfect fit!

Pre-Drilling for Screws: With the drawer front held firmly by the tape, carefully slide the drawer box out just enough to work. Now, using a 1/16th inch drill bit, pre-drill holes as close to the sides of the drawer box as you can. This step is crucial, especially for Shaker drawer fronts, to avoid drilling through the panel.

Attaching the Drawer Front: Attach the drawer front using the screws provided. This is where everything starts to come together.

Closing the Drawer: Gently close the drawer to check your work. Everything should look neat and aligned.

Spacing for the Next Drawer Front: Place 1/8-inch spacers on top of the installed drawer front. Then, put the next drawer front on top of the spacers. This ensures even spacing for a professional look.

Repeat the Process: Repeat steps 1-6 for each drawer front until they are all installed. It's a bit repetitive, but the result is worth it!

Riverside Hanging Closet Installation Guide

Measuring and Cutting the Closet Hanging Rod: First things first, measure the width of your closet and subtract a quarter inch from that measurement. This is the length you'll need to cut your hanging rod to ensure a snug fit.

Marking Closet Rod Placement: From the spot where you plan to place the rod, mark a point 1 and 5/8 inches lower. This mark is where your rod will be installed.

Locating the Studs: Time to find those studs! Use a stud finder to locate them in your wall. This is important for securely attaching your rod. After you've put in the first screw, use a level to make sure the rod is straight before adding more screws.

Remember Wall Stud Spacing: Keep in mind that exterior wall studs are typically 24 inches apart, while interior wall studs are usually 16 inches apart. Also, be aware of what's behind your drywall. Sometimes stud finders can be a bit tricky.

Installing the Hanging Rod: Once you're sure the rod is securely in place, it's time to hang your shelf. Carefully hang your assembled shelf on the rod. Tilt the bottom slightly away from the wall to avoid scratches, then slide it into its final position.

Securing the Shelf: Secure the shelf in place by tightening the screws on the hanging bolts. This step ensures everything stays exactly where it should.

Installing Additional Shelves: To install the next shelf, just repeat the same steps. It's the same process, so you'll be a pro in no time!

For more information on how to assemble and install our closet, please visit our website, to watch some of the assembly & installation videos.