

All Hung Up: How to Place Wall Décor

Hanging wall décor isn't as hard as it looks when you have the right tools. Use this guide to help you cover your walls.

Tools



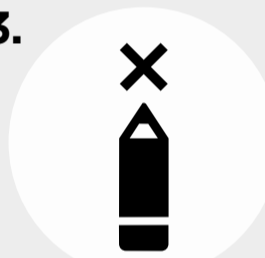


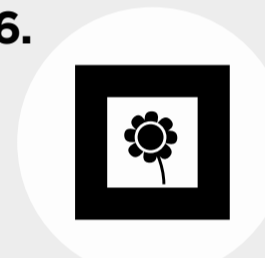
Your tools will change depending on what you're hanging, and where you're hanging it.

- ✓ Stud-finder
- ✓ Hammer
- ✓ Level
- ✓ Ruler
- ✓ Nails/anchors
- ✓ Picture hooks
- ✓ Pencil
- ✓ Screwdriver


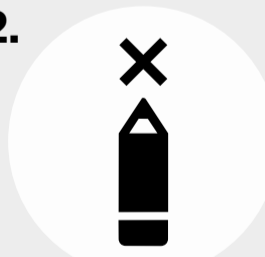

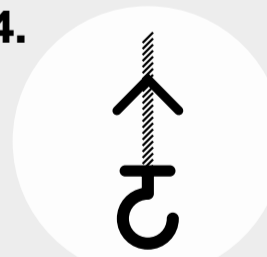
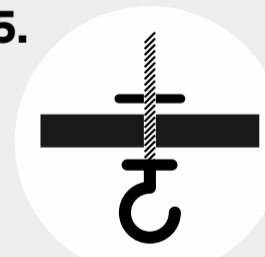
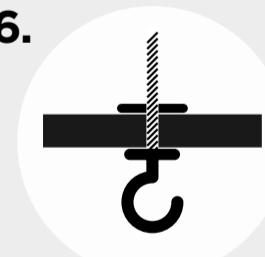
Pro Tip:

Consider purchasing a picture hanging kit. These contain everything you need, including gadgets that help you mark your attachment points with no measurement required.

Hanging a Mirror or Heavy-Framed Picture

1.  To hang heavier objects, you'll need picture hooks and nails that support the weight of the item.
2.  Locate the stud using a stud finder. This is where the attachment will be the strongest.
3.  Hold the object up to the wall and use a pencil to mark points of attachment. Have a friend help you with heavier objects!
4.  Use a level to ensure markings are even. Erase any stray marks that are not being used.
5.  Attach small picture hooks on your markings using a nail or screw. Note: Hollow wall locations will use a different type of anchor.
6.  Hang your picture or mirror on the hooks.

Hanging Plants or Lights From the Ceiling

1.  To hang objects from the ceiling, you'll need a swag hook with either a toggle bolt or threaded screw.
2.  Identify where you'd like to hang the object. Note: It's easiest to use a toggle bolt.
3.  Use a screwdriver to poke a small hole in the location.
4.  Place your bolt into the swag hook. The toggle bolt should be attached already.
5.  Push the toggle bolt into ceiling hole. The wings will expand.
6.  Pull the hook down, then turn it to tighten so the hook touches the ceiling.

For When the Pictures Come Down...

Use dry wall repair putty to plug up holes and make your walls look like new. Add a fresh coat of paint to the spot.