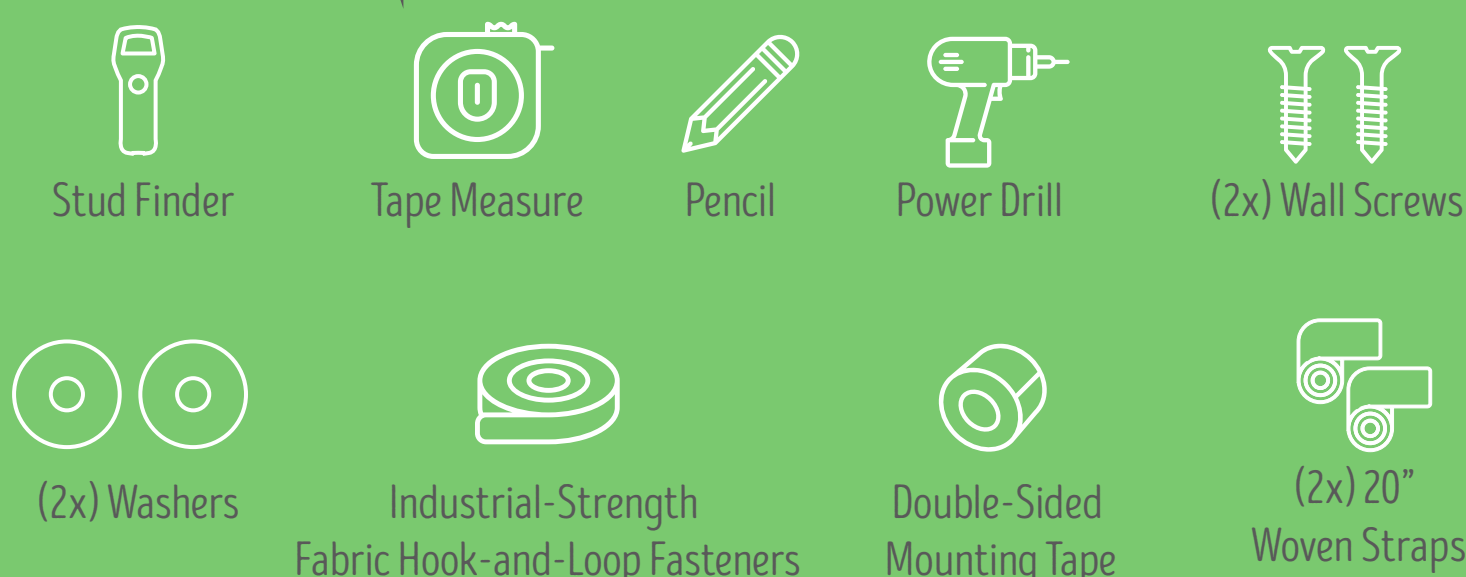


HOW TO MOUNT, ANCHOR & SECURE

Safely anchoring, nailing or otherwise securing dressers, mirrors and other large pieces of furniture is easy when you have a plan.

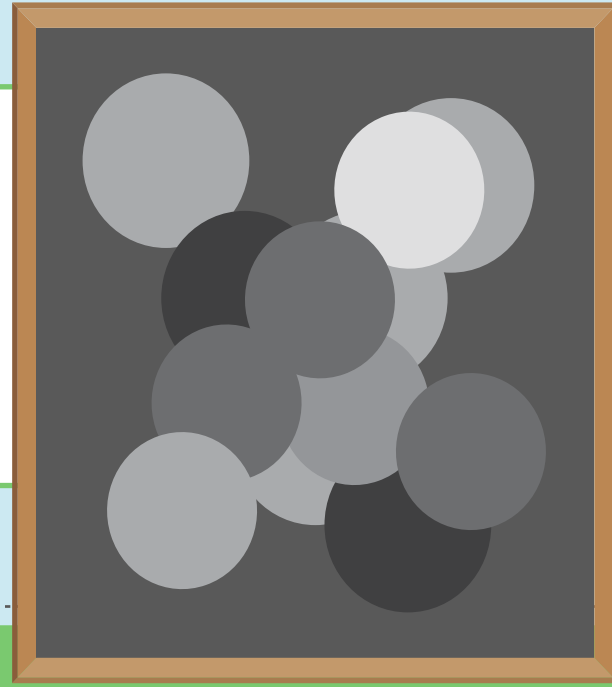
HOW TO ANCHOR A DRESSER

MATERIALS:

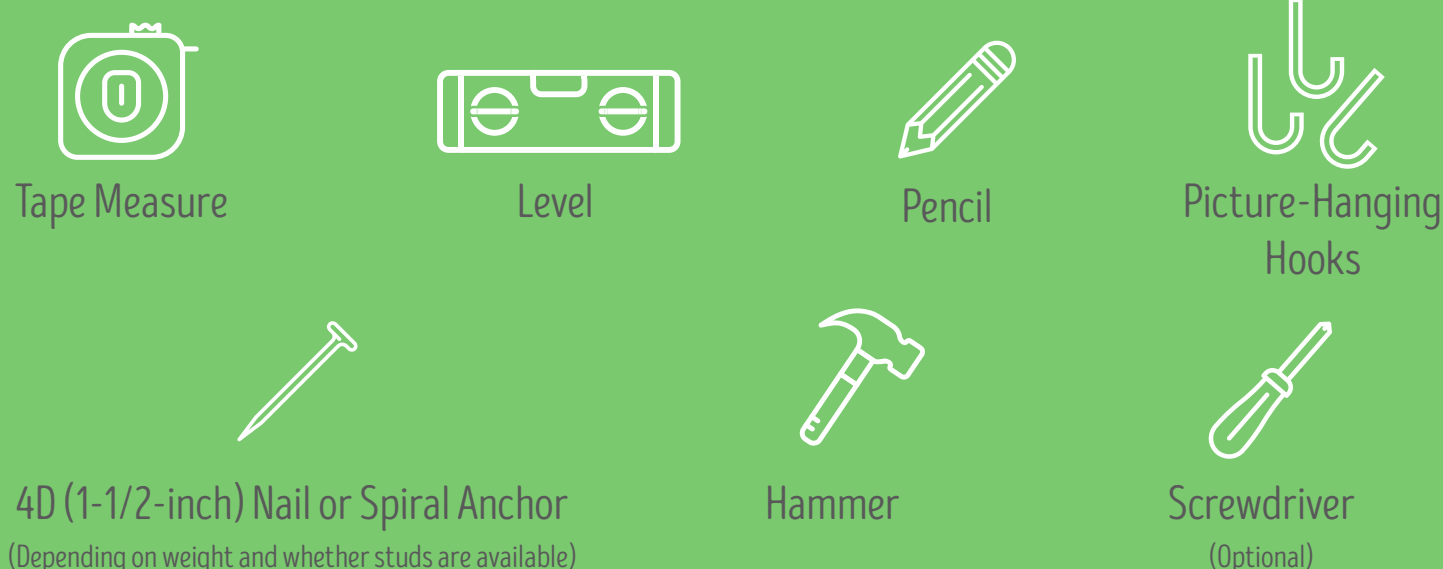


1. Measure the height and width of your dresser.
2. Find the studs in your wall with a stud finder. Make sure you mark two stud points within the length of the dresser and within a foot below the top of the dresser.
3. Facing the wall, line up a strap to the left stud marking. Line the stud mark halfway through the strap to leave room to attach to the dresser. Press a washer against the strap and the stud mark, and hold it steady.
4. Place a screw in the center of the washer. Create a hole in the strap by hand turning the screw. Once the screw touches the wall, tighten it with a power drill. Repeat this process on the right side as well.
5. Attach a 9" fastener to the loose ends of both straps hanging from the wall.
6. Move your dresser into place along the wall. Place each strap with a fastener attached across the top of the dresser. Then, mark the locations.
7. Attach double-sided mounting tape to the top of the dresser to align with marked locations. Apply pieces of fastener to the top of your dresser.
8. Line up fastener pieces from straps on the wall to the prices attached to the top of your dresser.

HOW TO HANG A LARGE PICTURE OR PAINTING



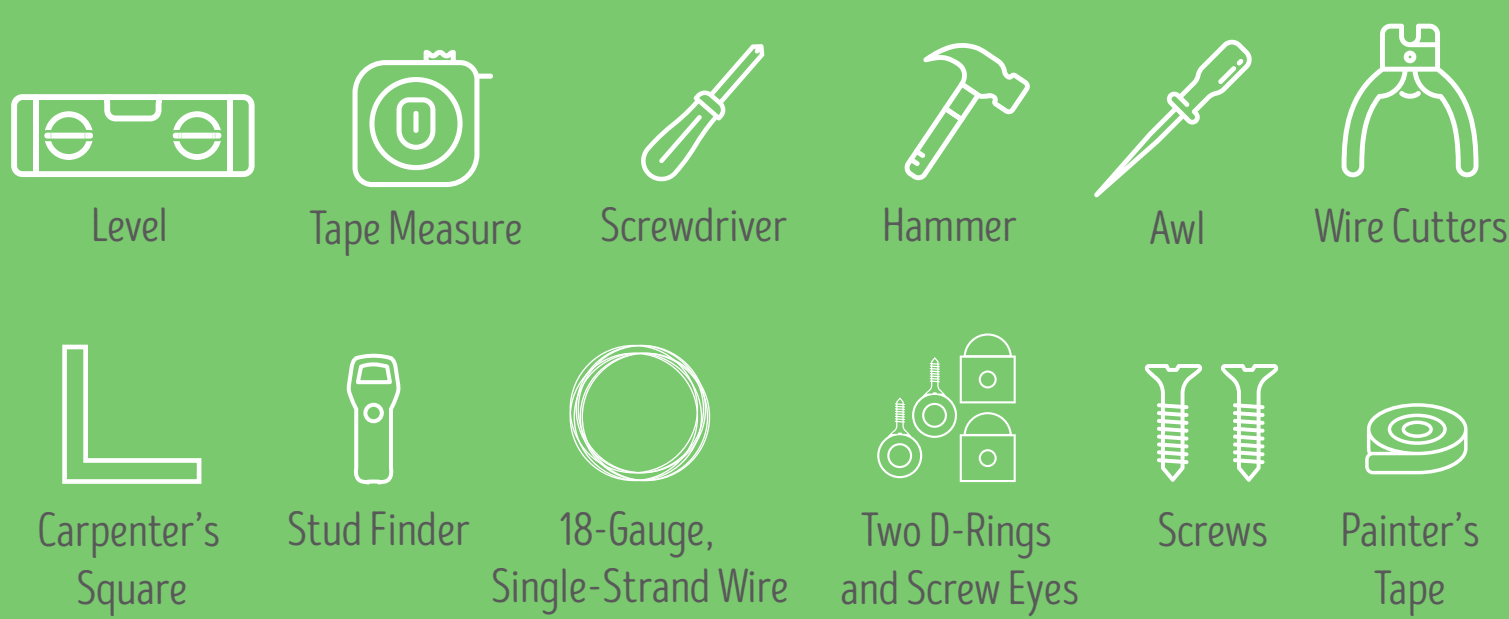
MATERIALS:



1. At a desired height, hold your picture against the wall.
2. Mark the top center of the picture with a short pencil line.
3. Remove the picture from the wall.
4. Hook measuring tape onto the hanging wire attached to back of frame. Then, pull the wire tight and measure the distance to the top of the frame.
5. Using the mark on the wall, measure down the same distance. Mark with a pencil. Next, drive a 4D nail into the stud.
6. If you're using a picture-hanging hook, mark the level spot on the wall with a hook rather than a nail. Remember to use your hook rated for the weight of your picture.
7. If there is no stud, use a spiral anchor instead. First, drive it into the wall with a screwdriver and then drive a screw into the anchor.

HOW TO MOUNT A HEAVY MIRROR

MATERIALS:



1. With help, hold your mirror to the wall and mark the top with a small pencil line.
2. Using a stud finder, locate as many studs as possible within the length of your mirror. Mark the edges of each stud with a piece of tape. Then, mark the center of each stud with a pencil.
3. To locate its center, measure the mirror.
4. Mark where D-rings should go on both sided of the mirror, which approximately should be 6 inches from the top.
5. Use a carpenter's square to locate and mark mounting points in the center of the mirror frame.
6. Attach screw eyes near the bottom and in the center of the mirror.
7. Grab a generous amount of wire, double it and insert it through the left bottom screw eye, up through the D-rings and weave it down to the screw eye on the right. Leave some slack and tie it off.
8. With help, hold the mirror to the wall again and mark the top of the mirror. Draw a level line across the wall.
9. Choose two adjacent studs and draw level lines from the center of the studs to the top line. Measure down 5 inches from the top line of each stud center and mark with a pencil.
10. Nail in picture-hanging hooks rated for the weight of your mirror. Finally, hang the mirror up!

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