

before you start

Pelmets and pelmet kits are DIY products, and there are many different ways of assembling and fixing them. These instructions give you a few guidelines to get you started.

Obligatory health-and-safety warning: Take the usual precautions appropriate for handling and lifting things. Although our pelmet kits aren't usually the heaviest of things, the material can be heavier than it looks, and of course if the individual pieces are quite long then make sure you're aware of what's around and behind you when moving them about. Read through the instructions first before you start, and if you have any questions then call us on 01227 833333 or email sales@jali.co.uk. Lecture over!

what's in the delivery?

Depending on the style of pelmet you've chosen, you'll either have a single pelmet or a kit which will make up a pelmet box. Some styles come with a separate decorative centre piece that goes in the middle of the pelmet.

If you've chosen the pelmet box version, you'll also have a top board (in two pieces if your pelmet is very long), two end pieces, and two or more "quick-release brackets". In most cases these brackets can be used to fix the unit to the wall, but if space is particularly tight you may wish to use your own method of fixing. In addition to the main pieces you should also find a small bag of fixings: cams and bolts (as shown below) and a few screws and wallplugs.

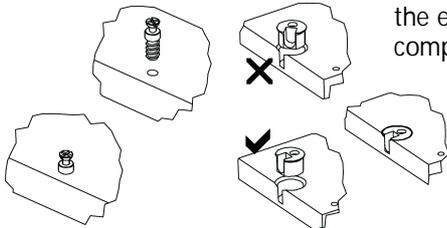
Bear in mind that, because you can design a pelmet in one of many different styles, the drawings in these instructions probably won't match your pelmet exactly. The general principles are the same for any style, though.

fixings

If you've ordered a box pelmet, we use cam and bolts to fix the top board to the end pieces. Here's how they work:

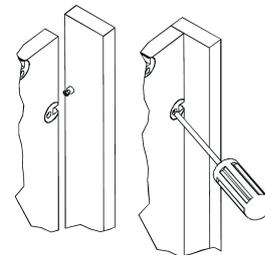
Cams and bolts for fixing two components at right-angles to each other.

1. Screw the metal bolts into the 5mm holes in one component...



2. ...and push the white cams into the holes along the edge of the other component.

3. Then push the two components together so that the metal cam bolts disappear into the middle of the white cams...



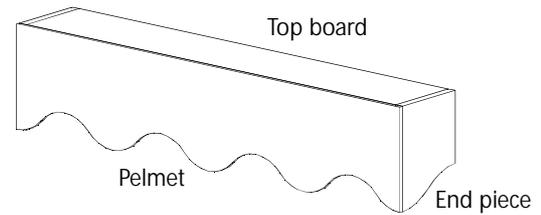
4. ...and tighten them with a screwdriver. Tilt the screwdriver back at a slight angle as shown - about 20 degrees should do it.

assembly instructions

i. assemble the box.

Push two white plastic cams into the two holes at one end of the top board, and screw two metal cam bolts into the holes in one of the end pieces (it doesn't matter which one). Push the two together so that the bolts disappear into the white cams. Tighten the cams to fix the pieces together (using the diagrams on the previous page). Once that's done, fix the other end piece to the other end of the top board in the same way.

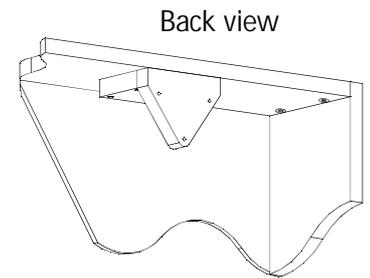
Now fix the pelmet itself to the front of the box you've just made. Use any method you choose: like any other wood, we would normally glue the pieces together and clamp them in place while the glue is drying; other options include using screws (drilling pilot holes first) or panel pins, and a small bit of wood filler to cover any holes or screw heads. For particularly long or heavy pelmets, you might need to use more screws as appropriate, particularly if your top board comes in two pieces.



If your design has a centre piece, fix it to the front of the pelmet at this point.

ii. fit the quick-release brackets.

Fix the quick-release brackets to the underside of the top board (using four 30mm long screws through the rectangular bit of the bracket). The triangular bit of the brackets should be level with the back of the top board so they will fit against the wall.



We recommend you place one bracket about a quarter of the way in from each end, but you may need to adjust this if you have obstructions on the wall.

Bear in mind that if space is limited, you may have to use other ways of fixing (for example, mirror plates).

iii. line up the unit in place.

Hold the assembled unit against the wall above your window. (You'll probably need someone to help at this stage, particularly if it's a long pelmet.)

Make sure it's level, and mark the location of the holes in the triangular pieces on the wall. Put the unit down and drill holes for the wallplugs. (We've supplied wallplugs and 40mm long screws which are suitable for fixing into normal masonry; other sorts of wall might need different fixings.)

iv. fix the triangular brackets to the wall.

Undo the white plastic cams in each bracket by turning them anticlockwise with a screwdriver, and separate the triangular pieces. Fix them in place on the wall in the positions you've already marked.

v. fit the pelmet in place.

Carefully slide the box unit back onto the triangular brackets, and tighten the cams to hold the unit in place.

