



Collinswood™  
AT HOME AROUND THE FIRE

# Setting the Mood

## A Beautiful Mantel Sets the Mood

The woodwork around your fireplace is the primary focal point in fine homes, setting the decorative tone for furnishings around it. Therefore, it deserves some special attention. A richly adorned hearth will not only increase the value of your home, but, perhaps more importantly, create a lasting charm admired today and for generations to come.

Remember that in most homes, the fire is burning only a small part of the time, and when it is not, the mantel takes center stage! A fireplace mantel can be installed in either new or existing homes to lend your fireplace greater character and charm. Whether it's a simple "shelf mantel" mounted above the firebox, or a full "surround mantel" which encloses the firebox on three sides, a quality mantel will complete your fireplace setting.

A mantel is a major architectural part of your home. Consider it a long term investment that should last a lifetime if constructed with tasteful enduring design, fine materials, and discerning eye of the skilled craftsman.





# Recognizing Good Construction



We combine timeless intelligent design, choice materials and dedicated craftsmanship to create a mantel that will satisfy for generations. Our success derives from attention to the details...from initial design to construction, finishing, quality control and packaging.

- Selected oaks, cherry, alder and maple. No plywood or wood by products.
- Careful moisture testing and lumber selection to eliminate warping.
- Prudent design and construction to assure tight-fitting joints while allowing for normal wood movement.
- Fine detail sanding by hand.
- Non-yellowing stains, solvents and sealers are used to avoid discoloration due to light. The only color change will be the natural mellowing of real wood.
- Only deep-penetrating oil stains-no sprayed-on surface colors.
- Multiple coats of moisture resistant lacquers properly seal the wood.
- Each layer of finish is hand rubbed to a smooth soft sheen, enhancing the natural beauty of the wood.
- Easy assembly and mounting is an integral part of each design.
- We use foam wrapping and double cartons for worry-free shipping.

# Solid Wood Advantage

## Solid Wood is the Hallmark of Fine Furniture

While poor-quality mantels may look acceptable from a distance, they're actually constructed of plywood and wood by-products to save cost. Get close to touch the surfaces and note the construction. While veneers have a legitimate place in quality furniture construction, low-quality plywood made of cheap *rotary-cut* veneers glued to weak core materials are likely to peel apart when exposed to the heat of a fireplace or the moisture absorbed from a masonry wall. Plywood and wood by-products may also give off toxic fumes when heated by a fire, polluting our air, and degrading stains and finishes. We test our lumber to maintain a maximum moisture content of 6% during milling and assembly to eliminate future warping, much like the finest piano makers.



# The Collinswood Advantage



# Pride of Workmanship

All Collinswood products are the result of human accomplishment aided by machine. Each employee deserves both the credit and the responsibility for a job well done. Thus, each mantel proudly bears the signature of the principle assembler.

Lasting quality yields the greatest bargain, and the best investment. Some of today's mantels reflect the same enduring quality, workmanship and tasteful design found in the mantels of long ago. Many do not. As with all fine furniture and home improvements, the value and investment are directly proportional. You can trust Collinswood to provide a fair price and an excellent value.







# Special Options

Enhance your hearth design with a matching *panel system* to extend your mantel design to adjacent walls. An *Overmantel* sets on top of a surround mantel, perhaps to frame a picture or mirror. A *cabinet surround* can encase a firebox which sets into the room. We even have a *secret compartment* option!

*Secret compartment*



*Cabinet surround*



*Stratford mantel and panel system*



# Buckingham™



*Cordovan Glaze on Cherry*

# Stratford™



*Coffee Bean Glaze on Cherry*

# Verona™



*Chestnut color on Cherry*

# Mayfair™



*Burnt Sienna Glaze on Cherry*

Bristol™



Pure White

Primrose™



Burnt Sienna on Cherry

Harrisburg™



Walnut color on Cherry

Kingston™



Clear Alder

Breckenridge™



Clear Maple

Pennwood™



Clear Cherry

Ashley™



Dark Cherry

Palmerton™



Medium Oak

# Mantel Shelves

**Lonsdale**



**Frisco**



**Aspen II**



**Craigmont**



**Avondale**



# Mantel Shelves

**Shenandoah**



**Cranbrook**



**Lexington**



**Georgian**



**Chadwick**

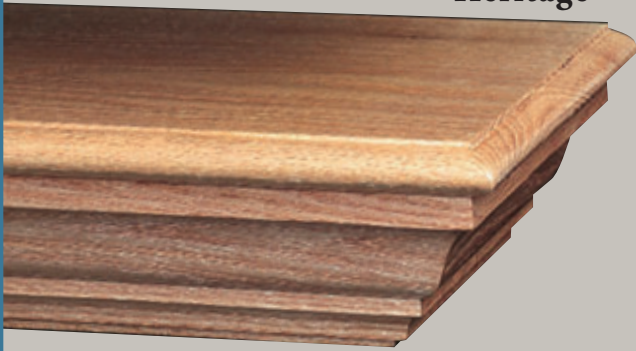


**Ponderosa**



For those who want a simpler hearth design, or perhaps lack the wall space for a full surround mantel, our solid wood mantel shelves are the perfect solution. Available in a wide range of solid woods and styles, they are constructed with the same superb workmanship as our other products. Shelves can be customized to your desired length and depth from the wall. Each shelf features an adjustable wall mounting system for trouble-free installation.

**Heritage**



**Tudor**



**Heritage II**



**Denmark**



**Pristina**



**Aspen**



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