## **Installation Using the Included Mounting Board**

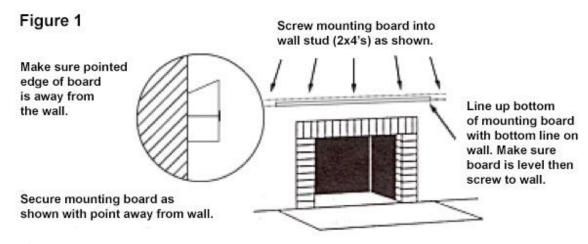
## Step 1

With the shelf upside down on a soft surface, hold the mounting board in position on the mantel shelf. Measure from the bottom of the shelf to the bottom of the mounting board - Make note of this measurement, as you will use it in one moment.

Place the shelf on the wall above your fireplace or on the wall at the desired height. Level the shelf and draw a line on the wall along the bottom of the shelf. Remove the shelf and measure up the distance between the bottom of the shelf and mounting board that you noted earlier. Mark the line at several points to ensure a level mount.

## Step 2

Line up the bottom of the mounting board with this new line and attach the mounting board to the wall in this position. Make sure the mounting board is level. If you are mounting the board on a standard drywall over stud construction, make sure you screw the mounting board into the wood studs (2x4's) for strength. When attaching the shelf to a brick surface you must use a masonry lag bolt. Drill three holes in the mortar joints of the brick in the desired position. Insert lag and attach mounting board with a bolt. Make sure the mounting board is secure to the wall as shown in Fig. 1.



Step 3

Install shelf onto the mounting board and slide down until the shelf is tight against the wall. See Fig. 2. Once mounted, if the shelf doesn't seem to fit snugly to the wall, you may put a small shim of paper, cardboard, etc., to fill the gap where the 2 halves of the mounting board meet.

