

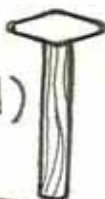


Getting Started

STRETCHING CANVAS

SUPPLIES

canvas
 staple gun
 stretcher bars
 canvas pliers
 keys  
 cross braces (optional)
 hammer

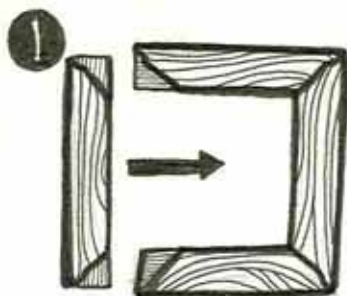


Why Stretch?

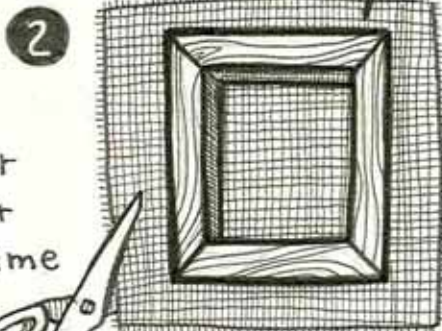
having a **choice** of many types and sizes of stretcher bars & canvas gives you the **freedom** and **satisfaction** of customizing your own supports for painting.



line up the grain of the canvas with the frame to ease stretching

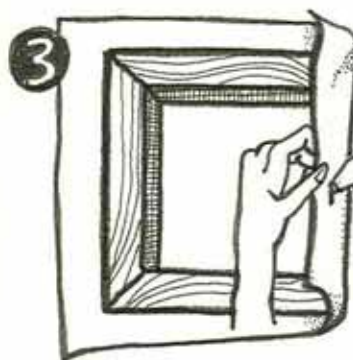


1 after choosing a size, piece your stretcher bars together to form a frame

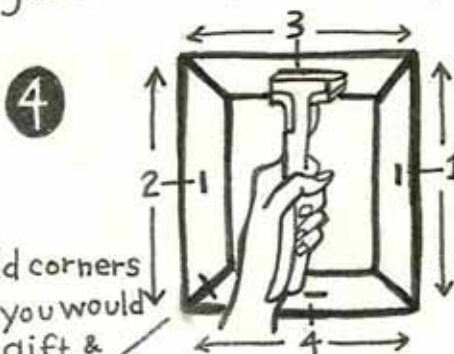


2 Cut your canvas to give you an extra 3-6" margin to stretch

KEYS are placed in the corners of stretcher bars after stretching to tighten both the frame & canvas



3 pull canvas around and begin stapling each side from the middle, then tap staples with a hammer if needed.



4 fold corners as you would a gift & staple

next, staple the opposite side & repeat the process working outward. canvas pliers pull the canvas tight & free your other hand for stapling.

BRACES

like these can be attached before you stretch for added support



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