



# WARNING!



Designs of Distinction<sup>®</sup>'s "rigid" (formerly solid) style beaded insert panels have been manufactured to be used as center panel inserts for frames only. Due to the machined profile of the panel and the material's thinness, this product is not recommended for use without being captured within a frame.

If installed as a center panel insert into a frame, you should allow for movement of the panel within the frame - to account for the natural expansion and contraction of the material. When finishing, the product should be finished on both sides and allowed to air dry. **DO NOT OVEN DRY.**

Should you choose to use our rigid panels as a stand-alone item, you can minimize movement by attaching the panel to a 1/4" - 3/8" backer. However, this does NOT guarantee completely stable product and will not be warranted by Designs of Distinction.

For onlay applications - such as walls, hoods or cabinet wraps - we recommend our flexible panel products. Flexible beaded panels consist of individual staves, glued to a flexible canvas or paper backer. Because they are individual staves, they move independently of each other and do not cause stress across the panel.

**Please note:** Panels that are exposed to extreme variations in humidity, i.e.: fireplace surround, oven hood, or in a bathroom will have greater expansion and contraction regardless of the finish applied or method of construction.

Designs of Distinction's warranty covers products installed and finished per the recommendations above for 1 year after purchase. It is recommended that products exposed to humidity changes be resealed periodically to reduce the loss of moisture.