

Installing Decorative Plaster

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...Ceiling Rose



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Whether your house is old or new, decorative plaster adds character and gives a great finish to any room. This easy method used to install a decorative plaster ceiling rose will depend on actual size and weight of the ceiling rose you have chosen.

WHAT YOU'LL NEED... TOOLS AND EQUIPMENT

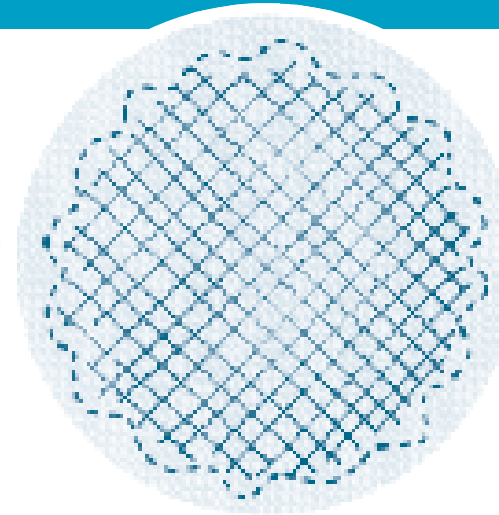
- Plastic 3" (75mm) Broad Knife
- Clean bucket
- PlastaPal Cornice Adhesive or PlastaPal Cornice Cement
- Drop Sheet

PREPARATION

1. If you are mounting a ceiling rose around a light fitting, contact an electrician to help you correctly remove the light fittings and electrical wires.
2. Measure the ceiling, find the centre of the room or preferred position for the ceiling rose. Hold it up and have someone look at the positioning from the ground to check that you are happy with the location. Once you've found the perfect location mark the area with a pencil or a piece of chalk.



3. Place a drop sheet around the area you will be working in before you make a start. Make sure the area you will be attaching the decorative plaster to is clean, dry and a good key (rough surface). The area should be sanded and dust free, a painted surface is not suitable. If the surface is painted sketch around the area where you will be placing the rosette and score the surface in a criss-cross pattern with a knife.



Mark position and score

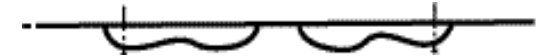
4. PlastaPal Cornice Adhesive is pre-mixed and very easy to use. All you need is an applicator gun. For larger decorative plaster pieces, use the PlastaPal Cornice Cement.

MIXING

5. Place 2 cups of water into a clean bucket. Using the plastic knife, mix in 4 cups of PlastaPal Cornice Cement. Mix until consistency is even - similar to a cake mix.

ATTACHING THE CEILING ROSE

6. Smear the back surface (around the perimeter and daubs in the centre) of the rosette with a generous amount of the cornice adhesive or the cornice cement mixture. Place in position over the ceiling and apply slight pressure to push out excess plaster. This will cause a suction.



Use small nails to hold in position until glue sets

7. Small nails can be used to hold the decorative plaster until setting commences. Ceiling roses larger than 600mm should be fastened using screws in addition to the cornice cement. Using a minimum of 2 screws, ensure that you are screwing into a ceiling joist. Drilling the hole first will help to prevent the ceiling rose from cracking. While plaster is still wet, clean around the edges with a knife and moist sponge. Allow 24 hours for drying.