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Frame Kit Assembly Instructions

This frame kit includes everything you need except glass and hanging cord. But it does take a bit of work! If you've never assembled an aluminum sectional frame before, you might want to look over these instructions before plunging in.

1: You will need: two properly-sized pieces of glass (Translesce) or one piece of glass and a suitable backing (opaque, wall-hanging prints), a flat-blade screwdriver, and suitable hanging cord, plus tools for hanging.



2: Check over your components. You should have:

- 2 ____ inch aluminum frame sections
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- 4 angle backing plates
- 4 set screw plates
- 2 hangers
- 4 or 6 spring clips, depending on frame size

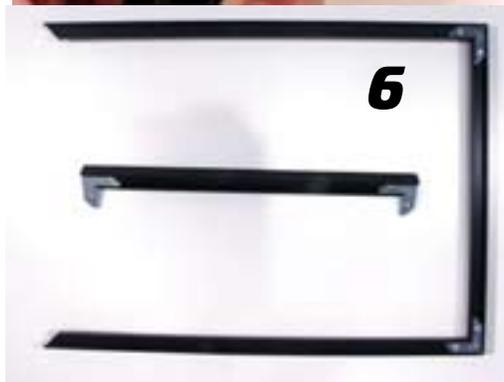
3: Put a backing plate and a set screw plate in one of the frame section ends. The two faces marked "FACE" should be facing each other.



4: Pressing the two plates tightly into the frame section with one finger, tighten the set screws.



5: Slide the free end of those two plates into another frame section of a different size than the first section. Tighten the set screw as in step #3.



6: Continue attaching plates and frame sections until you have a "U" shape made from three frame sections. Attach plates to the fourth frame section piece.



7: Remove the plastic wrapping and care instructions from the print, and clean the both sides of the glass. Place the print between two pieces of glass (Translesce) or between the glass and backing (opaque). Carefully slide this sandwich into the "U" made from the frame sections. Be sure the signature on the print is facing the front of the frame!



8: Slide the last frame section into the previously assembled "U" sections, and tighten the set screws as in step #3.

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9: Compress a spring clip with your fingers and slide it between the back glass (Translesce) or backing (opaque) and the frame. Use two clips on 16" sides; use a single spring clip on smaller sides.



Push the clip in with your screwdriver.

10: Attach the two hangars to the frame by sliding them into the channel in the back and tightening the set screws.

- On Translesce prints (shown), attach the hangars to the top frame section near the corner plates, extending above the frame. Attach a suitable length of hanging cord to the two hangars.
- On opaque prints, attach the hangars to the sides of the frame about 1/3 of the way from the top to the bottom, extending inside the frame. Attach a suitable length of hanging cord to the two hangars.
- For a cleaner look on Translesce prints, instead of using the supplied hangars, drill two 1/16th" holes in the top frame section, and thread these holes with a suitable length of hanging cord. 25 pound (or greater) monofilament fishing line works great. Tie the cord off on the inside of the frame, so the knot will be hidden when hanging. Do this step BEFORE final frame assembly in steps #6 and #7!



11: Hang and enjoy your print!

- For opaque prints, hang in the traditional way, using a secure wall attachment.
- For Translesce prints, you will need to put one or more hooks into your window casing. **DO NOT USE SUCTION CUP HOOKS FOR FRAMED PRINTS!** The suction-cup hook that comes with Translesce prints is suitable ONLY for unframed hanging. Using two hooks, spaced the same distance as the hangars or holes on the frame, will keep the print from twisting. Allow at least 1/2" between the frame and the window to avoid condensation problems.



Thank you for purchasing my print with a frame kit! By protecting your print with a frame, it not only looks better, it will also be protected for many years of viewing enjoyment.

— Jan Steinman, December 2002