DIY FAMILY ROOM WALL FEATURE

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SUPPLIES:

- 1x3 clear pine *(actual dimensions are typically 3/4" x 2-1/2")*
- 1x6 cedar planks *(actual dimensions are typically 3/4" x 5-1/2")*
- Wood stain *(we used Minwax #27 True Black)*
- Clear semi-gloss finish
- Latex primer
- Latex wall paint (match existing)
- Joint compound
- Finish nails
- Wood putty
- Masking tape and masking paper
- Sandpaper

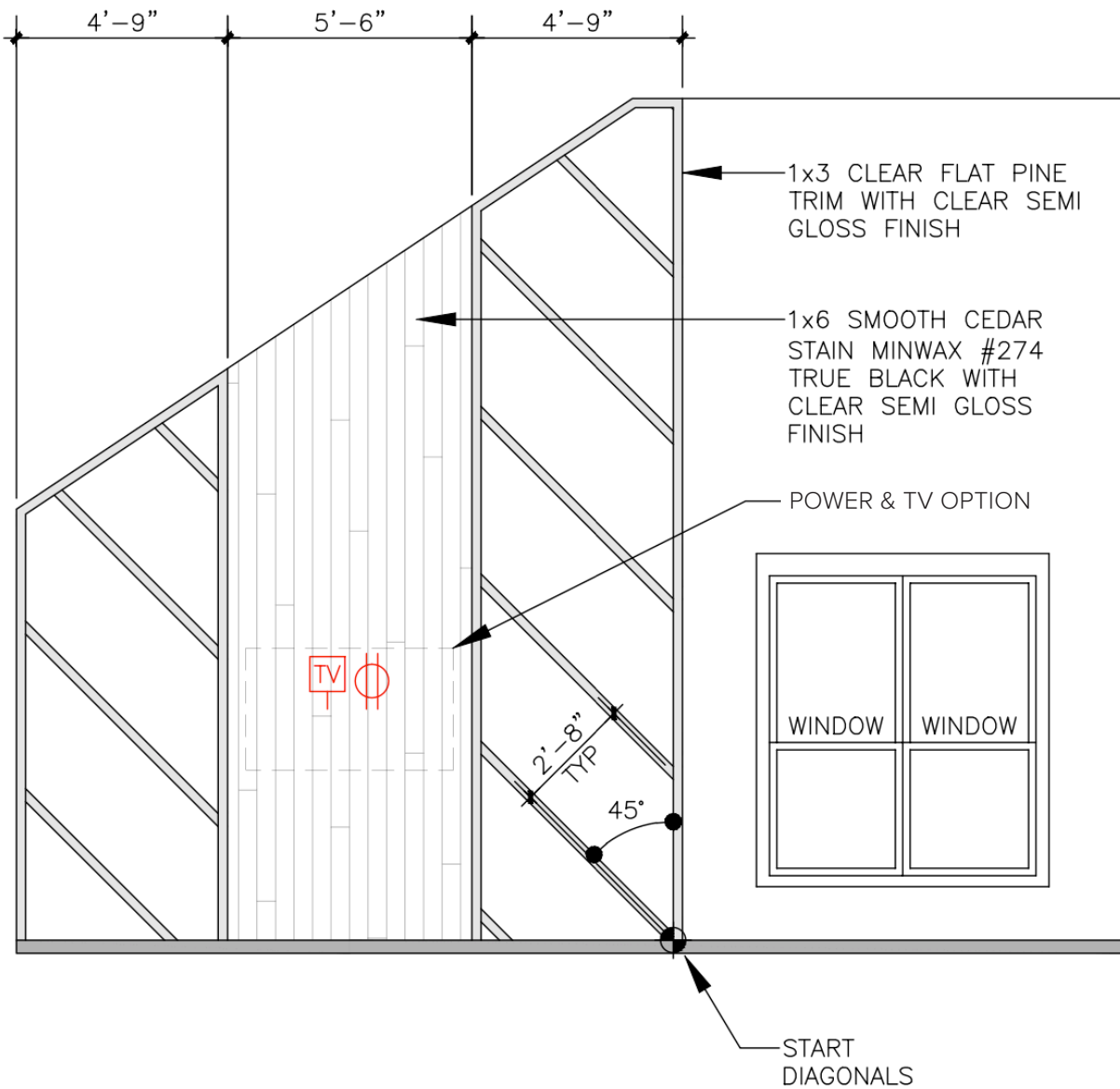- Plastic or fabric drop cloth

TOOLS:

- Tape measure
- Level / protractor / angle finder
- Miter saw
- Hammer or nail gun
- Nail set
- Putty Knife / spackle knives
- Sanding block
- Tack Cloth
- Paint brushes / roller

*All finishes, primers, fillers, putty, glue etc. are to be applied and allowed to dry per product manufacturer's specifications.

**If electrical power and TV outlets are to be incorporated we recommend that the work be performed by a licensed electrician prior to commencement of wall feature work.

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4'—9" 5'—6" 4'—9"

1x3 CLEAR FLAT PINE TRIM WITH CLEAR SEMI GLOSS FINISH

1x6 SMOOTH CEDAR STAIN MINWAX #274 TRUE BLACK WITH CLEAR SEMI GLOSS FINISH

POWER & TV OPTION

TV

2'—8" TYP

45°

WINDOW   WINDOW

START DIAGONALS

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PRELIMINARY WORK:

- Pre-finish wood trim and planks
- Sand 1x6 planks and 1x3 trim with 320-grit sandpaper. Use sanding block to avoid rounding off edges. Clean sanding dust and wipe with tack cloth.
- Stain 1x6 cedar planks.
- Apply 1-coat of clear semi-gloss finish to 1x6 planks and 2-coats of clear semi-gloss finish to 1x3 trim.

STEP BY STEP:

1. PREPARE AREA FOR WORK

- Lay plastic or fabric drop-cloth on floor. Tape or tack as required to keep covering in place to protect adjacent surfaces and/or areas.
- Remove base trim from wall and store for re-use.

2. PREPARE AND PAINT WALL

- Refer to figure A. Mask wall to the outside edge of feature. Mark area using level and mask to lines as plumb and straight as possible.
- Knock down wall texture behind wall feature - Sand wall with 220-grit sandpaper being careful not to sand through surface of sheetrock. The idea is to remove approximately 80% of wall texture.
- Apply joint compound to wall and sand to smooth flat surface.
- Clean sanding dust and wipe wall with tac cloth.
- Apply 1 coat of latex primer to wall.
- Apply 2-coats of latex wall paint to wall.
- Reinstall base trim.

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STEP BY STEP:

3. INSTALL 1X6 CEDAR PLANKS

- Refer to Figure A. Mark / outline entire feature on wall with very light pencil lines to outside of 1x6 plank area and outside of all 1x3 trim. Project 1x3 diagonal lines across the entire feature (1x6 planks will cover lines).
- Use miter saw and cut 1x6 planks to lengths as required and install planks in random pattern using finish nails. Use level and insure that planks are perfectly plumb. Use angle finder to determine miter cuts where planks meet ceiling. Cut planks long and trial & error to fit (wood is imperfect and you should always cut long and test fit regardless of method).

4. INSTALL 1X3 WOOD TRIM

- Refer to Figure A. Use miter saw and cut 1x3 wood trim to lengths as required.
- Use level and protractor and install wood trim using finish nails aligning diagonals with pencil lines where required. Cut all trim long and trial & error cut to fit (wood is imperfect and you should always cut long and test fit regardless of method).
- Use nail set and set nail heads 1/16" below surface of 1x6 planks and 1x3 trim, fill nail holes with putty, let dry, and sand smooth.

5. FINISH AND CLEAN UP

- Apply touch up coats of wall paint where required, second coat of clear semi-gloss finish to cedar planks, and touch up clear semi-gloss finish on 1x3 trim.
- Remove drop cloth.

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