

Victorian Clothesline Instructions

1. Choose a position for the ainer. It needs to be close to an adjacent wall, into which the cleat will be screwed to secure the rope.
2. Locate a wooden beam or joist within your ceiling into which the pulleys should be screwed. This can be done by gently tapping the ceiling with the handle of a screwdriver. A hollow sound is heard where there is no joist, keep tapping across the ceiling until the sound changes to a solid sound to locate the beam.
3. Prepare the following fixing points so that they are:

120cm apart for the 180cm length laths
100cm apart for the 150cm length laths
4. Using a 4mm drill bit, drill 2 pilot holes into the ceiling at the fixing positions you have marked ready to screw the pulleys into. Make sure that you drill the holes deep enough to accommodate the full length of the pulley screw. Use a couple of drops of light oil or washing liquid on the pulley screw thread to help the screw easily twist into the hole.
5. The double pulley fixing point should be the one closer of the two, to the place where the cleat is going to be mounted.

The single pulley fixing point should be the furthest from the cleat.

Screw the pulleys into the pre drilled holes you made earlier in the ceiling at these points.

6. **Diagram 1** shows how the rope should be threaded through the pulleys. thread the rope ends through the eyes of the cast iron ainer ends and tie them off so they are securely attached to the cast iron ainer ends.
7. Pull the looped cord till the ainer ends are close to the pulleys on the ceiling. Find a place on the wall, between waist and chest height, to fix the cleat making sure the rope is not hindering the upward and downward movement of the rails. (**Diagram 3**). Fix the cleat to the wall using the wall plugs and screws provided.
8. **Diagram 2.** Let down the ainer to a height, at which you feel comfortable, to load with laundry. Tie a knot in the looped cord at the point it is at with the cleat. This is so you can hook the rope on the cleat while you are loading the ainer. This knot is really IMPORTANT as it locks the two ropes together, preventing them moving at different rates. The ainer MUST be horizontal when the knot is tied.
9. Pull up the ainer till the hangers are again close to the pulleys. Tie another knot in the looped cord at the point it is at with the cleat. This is so you can hook the rope on the cleat to hold your ainer up in the air while your clothes are drying.

Your ainer is now operational and will give you many years of problem free use.

