The cap and base sets for tapered Craftsman Series columns consist of a platform and a molding. The platforms are factory cut in a “V“ shape to allow easy installation around an existing load support. This “V“ is re-assembled using the jointer biscuit (included), PVC cement or polyurethane glue, and nails or screws. (As with all exterior products, non-corrosive fasteners must be used, such as double hot-dipped galvanized screws or nails.) This same “V“ cut construction is used for the top platform of Craftsman pedestals. Pedestals being used as newels may be ordered without the platform being “V“ cut. In addition to the standard profile cap and base set, optional Crown, Prairie and Tuscan styles are available. These styles allow customers more freedom of choice when designing their columns, and may be mixed and matched as desired. Custom options may be possible as well, based on customer requirements.

For columns of non-standard size, the widths of the cap and base will adjust accordingly. The heights however will remain the same.

The inside widths shown below refer to the cutout in the center of the platforms. In cases where the cap platform is open at the top, flashing must be used to prevent water and debris from getting inside the column.

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**Note:** The total height of the parts (shown in the charts) do NOT add to the overall height of the column. The bottom and top plates do add 1” (each 2” total) to the shaft height, allowing extra flexibility in installation.

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**Edge view of “V“ cut - shows where the jointer biscuits install:**

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**Plan view of “V“ cut - shows jointer biscuit recessed into edge**