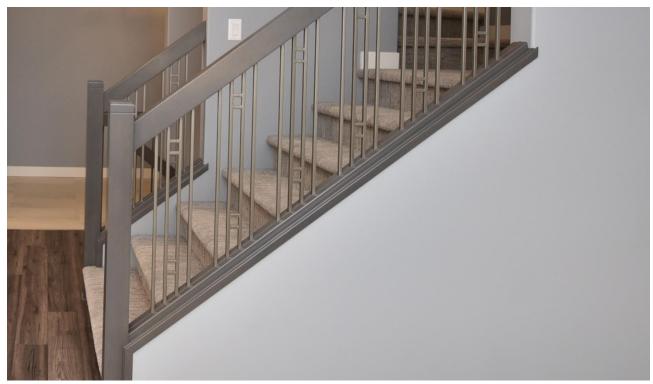
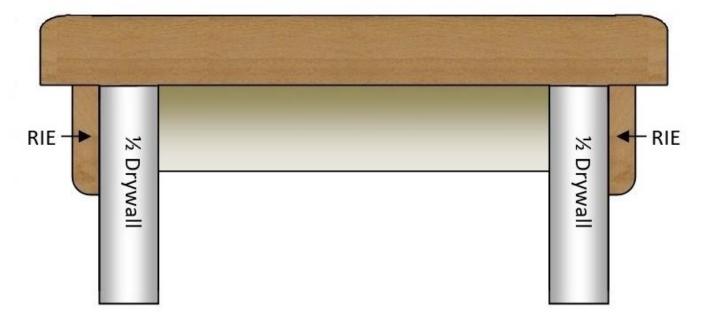
## **Capping a Ponywall or Stringer**

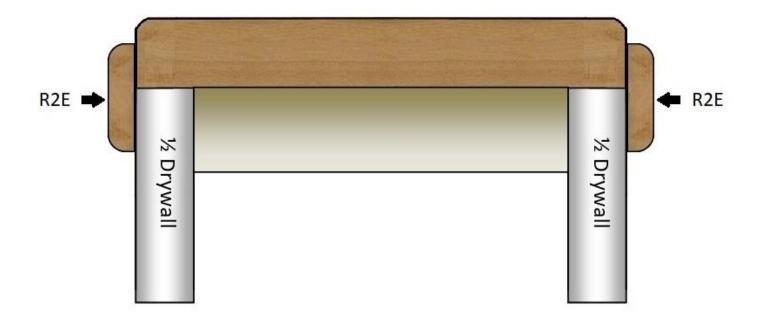


When it comes to finishing the top of a ponywall or capping a stringer there are several methods available to create the look perfect for your home. The first decision to make is whether you want a nosing with overhang or if you prefer a sleeker finish with no overhang.

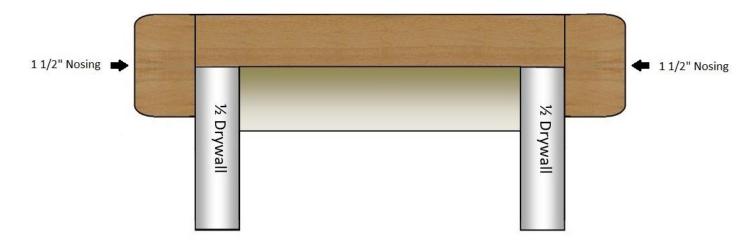




By using a cap piece that is wider than the finished wall you can create a nosing with overhang, a small trim (we use R1E) is fitted underneath to hide the drywall seam. This ensures a clean finish and allows for some human error cutting the drywall.



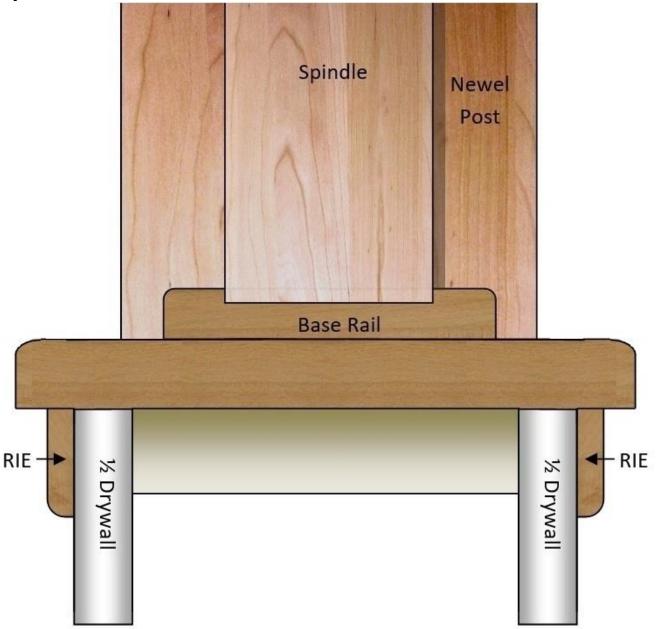
For a sleeker finish a cap piece the same width as the wall is fitted to match the edge of the drywall. Our slim trim, the R2E is used to cover the seam between the drywall and the cap. The drywall cut does need to be a little more precise as there is less trim to cover the seam. Custom trim can always be made if you need something specific to finish your project.



If the R2E trim is too slim for your liking, you can also use a standard 1 1/2" nosing. The cap piece is the same width as the wall and the nosing is fitted flush with the top. This creates the illusion of a thick cap, and easily hides the drywall seam.

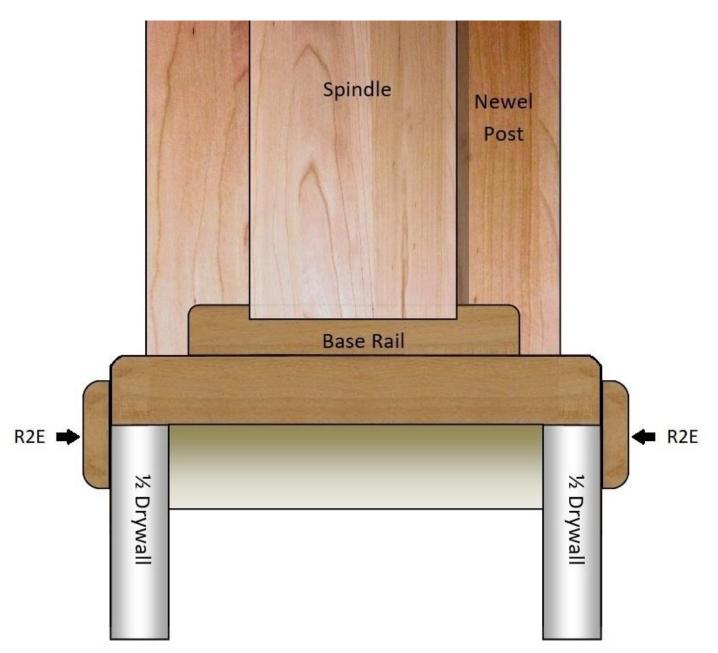


The same principal is applied when finishing a stringer cap, you can have an overhang with R1E trim or an ogee for more detail, a sleek finish with the R2E, or a bold finish with the 1 1/2" nosing. Depending on what you have for clearance space between the top of the stringer and the front edge of the tread you might be limited in what trims will fit in this space.





In a typical installation the post, base rail and handrail would be installed centred on the stringer, creating a balanced symmetrical railing. Of course, not every home is the same and you may need to offset the installation.



For help finishing your project get in touch with our friendly staff who would be happy to lend a hand.

