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How to Install a Sling in an Ottoman

1. Remove the old sling.

- a. Remove the sling rail caps and cut the sling down the middle.
- b. Stand to the side of the ottoman, and hold one end of the sling with one hand and the other end with the other hand. Push and pull the sling out of the sling rail on both sides until it is removed from the sling rail.

2. Install the sling in the sling rails.

- a. Install the sling spline (rod) into the sling pockets leaving an extra inch or two on both ends.
- b. Sling rails should be attached to the frame. Stand to the side of the ottoman to install one side of the sling. Work the sling from one end of the rail to the other. Support the top of the sling so it doesn't tear on the end of the sling rail while going through the sling rail.
- c. Remove wrinkles. Before the sling reaches the end, hold it tight against the sling rail on one end and pull on the other end of the sling to pull out the wrinkles.
- d. Remove this sling rail before installing the sling on the other side.
- e. With the second sling rail still attached, stand to the side and repeat to install the second side of the sling. This sling rail should be attached so the ottoman can hold the sling rail as you work.

3. Re-attach the sling rail.

Now the sling is installed in both sling rails, and only one sling rail is attached.

- a. Using a blanket to protect the finish, lay the ottoman on its side so the sling rail is hanging.
- b. Place the bolts into the loose sling rail.
- c. Using a drill with a bolt head attachment, press down on the bolt until it reaches the frame. The bolt should barely reach the frame.
- d. When the bolt reaches the frame, pull the drill's trigger. Only tighten the bolt half way. Depending on the fabric, it may be necessary to loosen the bolt on the opposite sling rail so the bolt can reach.
- e. Repeat with the remaining bolts and tighten all bolts completely.

4. Finish.

- a. Turn the ottoman upright and cut the excess sling spline.
- b. Replace the sling rail caps.