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Description of the step stop on the hall fireplace lintel.

So you get a simple chamfer, for example, on this lintel over the fireplace, where you can see, it's a quite a deep chamfer, it's probably about an inch across the main face of the chamfer and the question is, if you took that chamfer right the way through to the end of the lintel, well that doesn't sit very comfortably on top of the stone cheek to the fire recess, so it might be that you resolve that chamfer back into its sharp edge, where the stone granite cheek and the timber lintel meet with a little run-out stop, which simply resolves the chamfer back into the edge there, in this particular case you can see that there's a slight raising of the end of the chamfer, known as a step stop, and then the edges of the chamfer reduce back to a point onto the edge.