

Vented versus Non-Vented

Vented Gas Logs:

- Vented gas logs must be installed in a wood-burning fireplace that drafts properly.
- The damper on your fireplace must be fixed in a minimum open position when vented gas logs are installed.
- Vented gas logs reproduce the natural look and feel of a wood fire.
- Most vented gas logs are designed for use with natural gas, although some may be used with propane.
- We recommend the use of natural gas as opposed to propane. Natural gas burns cleaner and burning propane will produce large amounts of soot.
- The amount of heat radiated from vented gas logs is similar to that of a wood fire.
- Vented logs do require a small amount of cleaning. The flame will produce soot on the logs that can be removed by using a soft bristle paint brush or by burning it off using Log Bright.
- In most cases the logs may be rearranged or customized to suit your taste.

Non-vented Gas Logs:

- You may use a wood-burning fireplace or an approved vent-free fireplace.
- The damper may be closed on a masonry fireplace. The damper on a prefabricated wood-burning fireplace must be cracked open to prevent overheating.
- Non-vented gas logs typically do not have as natural a look as vented logs.
- Non-vented gas logs are more energy efficient than vented logs.
- You can use either natural gas or propane.
- Non-vented gas logs produce a large amount of heat and can be used as a secondary source of heat. Non-vented gas logs can produce up to 40,000 BTU's of usable heat.
- Annual maintenance is recommended. Dust build up can cause the pilot to work improperly. Cleaning instructions are available on the FAQ's page.
- Extra logs or embers may not be added to non-vented gas logs. Altering the appearance of non-vented gas logs from the manufacturer's instructions could cause improper combustion of gas and the production of dangerous emissions.