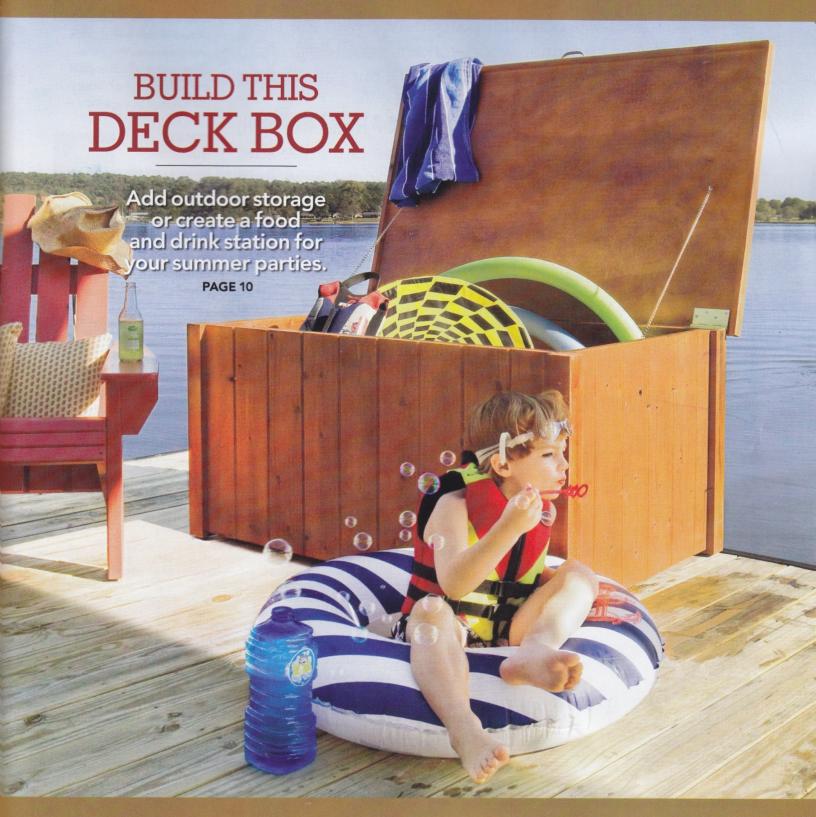
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n this issue, you'll see that we enjoy all kinds of ways to have fun outdoors. Our Sun Chair is a perfect seat for relaxation. But be forewarned, you may not want to ever leave it! And, you'll find a great storage solution and a potential party center with the Deck Box project. For beginner woodworkers, you'll be able to create an attractive gardening project with our Patio Planter in cedar or plywood.

Looking for basic woodworking skills? Read our Skill

Set column on the use of a table saw. Or you can register for our next Shop Class project, which starts June 4, at

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With the Experts at Lowe's

I'm used to lumber being described as "1-by" (1x) or "2-by" (2x) stock, but occasionally I see boards labeled 5/4. What does this mean?

A saw on decking lumber, is known That label, which you probably as "five quarters," and like other board descriptions, it refers to the thickness of the board. Labeling lumber with fractions stems from the days of early sawmills. when most logs were cut into rough-edge planks of random width but of a specified thickness, expressed in quarters of an inch. For example, a 4/4 board would be I inch thick.

As the need for consistent lumber sizes grew, cutting boards to width became more commonplace, and lumber was labeled accordingly as 1 x 12, 2 x 4,

and so on. These numbers referred to the rough-sawn size of the boardswhich still had sawblade marks and slightly irregular surfaces. Later, planing equipment was developed to mill the lumber smooth, flat, and to more consistent sizes, so dimensional boards were slightly thinner and narrower than their descriptions indicated. Labels such as l x 4 became known as nominal sizes because they didn't match the actual dimensions of, in this case, 34 inch x 31/2 inches. Today, the actual dimension of 5/4 decking lumber is 1 inch thick after being milled smooth.

Other than sanding, is there any preparation I should do to lumber before applying an exterior stain?

While thorough sanding is a Agood minimum standard, some situations might require more. With pressure-treated lumber, allow enough air-drying time to ensure that the surface is not so saturated that it cannot receive a finish properly. For any type of wood, make sure that surfaces have not been soiled by careless

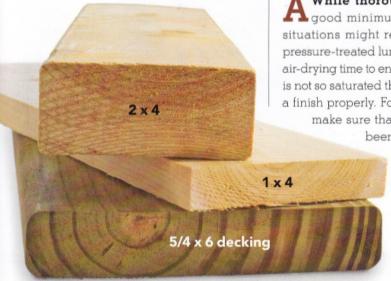
> handling or oily substances. If you find any oily spots that might interfere with the finish, you can apply a little acetone, and wipe off with a shop rag.

P.S. Tell us about your projects and how you became interested in woodworking. Send responses to Lowe's Creative Ideas for Woodworkers, P.O. Box 523-G. Birmingham, AL 35201. If we profile you in an upcoming issue, you'll receive a free Hitachi 14.4-volt 3/8-inch cordless drill/driver kit.



BONUS PLAN Batter Up!

Get in the spirit for baseball season with our portable Baseball Storage Center. It has ample space for baseballs (or softballs) in two ball bays, three shelves for gloves, hats, and cleats, and a side rack for storing bats. Find this project at LowesCreativeIdeas.com/ Woodworkers.



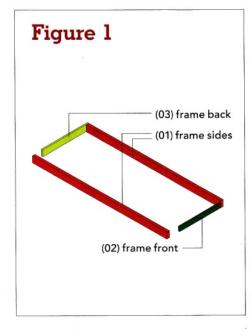


Sit back, relax, and enjoy a cool drink in style.

You may never want to leave this well-designed and perfectly proportioned chair! The back adjusts into four angled positions, giving you the ideal relaxed pose or a front-row seat to the best views Mother Nature has to offer.

Lefties or righties will be able to comfortably access the sliding shelf, which offers ample space for beverages and snacks. To move the chair, simply lift the front end and wheel it into place. Apply a good-quality exterior stain, and you've got a beautiful outdoor project that will last for years to come.





Instructions:

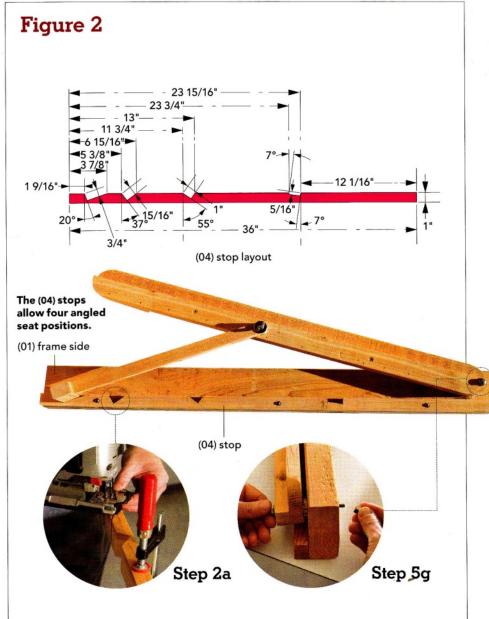
GENERAL: Cut and label the parts as needed, using the Cut List and Cutting Diagram as guides and adjusting for fit.

BUILD THE FRAME ASSEMBLY

- a. Drill a 5/16-inch-diameter hole in the (01) frame sides at 3411/16 inches from the back end and 11/4 inches down from one side.
- **b.** Using glue and pocket hole screws, assemble the frame as shown in Figure l with the (01) frame sides, (02) frame front, and (03) frame back.

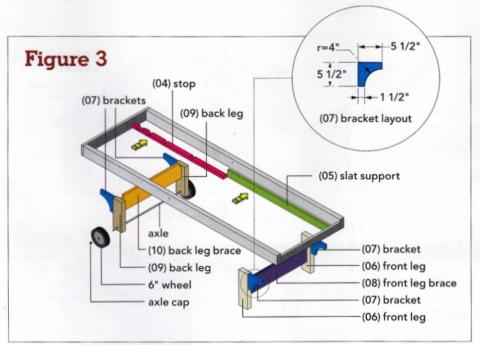
ADD THE STOP, SLAT SUPPORTS, AND LEGS

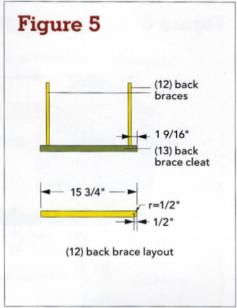
- a. Cut two (04) stops from a 2 x 4. Following Figure 2, lay out and cut the notches using a jigsaw.
- b. Using glue and 2-inch screws, attach each (04) stop to the back end of each (01) frame side, aligning the bottoms of the pieces as shown in Figure 2.
- c. Using glue and 1%-inch screws, attach each (05) slat support to the front end of each (01) frame side, aligning the bottoms of the pieces as shown in Figure 3.
- d. Using glue and pocket hole screws, attach the (06) front legs to the frame assembly, starting 12 inches from the front end.

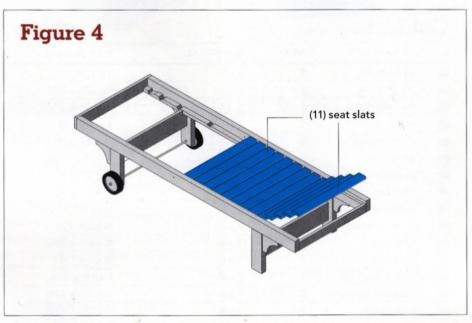


- e. Following the bracket layout in Figure
- 3, lay out and cut four (07) brackets.
- f. Using glue and pocket hole screws, attach a (07) bracket to each (06) front leg and to the frame assembly as shown in Figure 3.
- g. Position the (08) front leg brace centered vertically and horizontally to the (06) front legs, and attach using glue and 15/8-inch screws.
- h. Draw a centerline on the (09) back legs, and drill a %16-inch hole 1 inch from the bottom for each end of the axle.
- i. Using glue and pocket hole screws, attach the (09) back legs to the frame

- assembly starting 1234 inches from the back end of the frame assembly.
- i. Using glue and pocket hole screws, attach a (07) bracket to each (09) back leg and to the frame assembly.
- k. In each upper corner of the (10) back leg brace, cut a 1½-inch-wide x 1-inchdeep notch, ensuring it will fit around each (04) stop.
- 1. Using glue and pocket hole screws, attach the (10) back leg brace to each (09) back leg.
- m. Cut the 1/2-inch steel rod to length, allowing for the thickness of the 6-inch wheels and the depth of the axle caps.









n. Thread the axle through the holes in the (09) back legs, and attach the wheels to the axle using an axle cap.

3 ATTACH THE SEAT SLATS

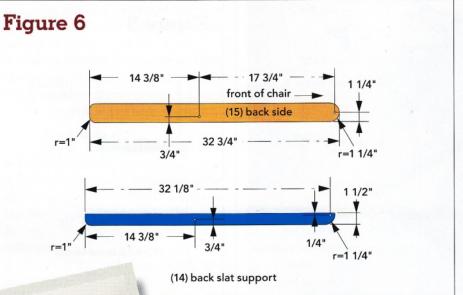
- a. Rip the stock for the (11) seat slats. Using a router fitted with a 1/4-inch roundover bit, rout a slight roundover along the long edges of the stock, and cut the (11) seat slats to length.
- b. Test-fit the (11) seat slats approximately 3/4 inch apart and mark their locations.
- c. Using glue and 15%-inch screws, attach the (11) seat slats to the (05) slat supports spaced equidistantly. (Refer to Figure 4.)

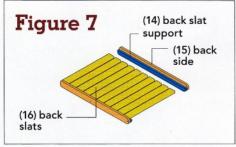
4 BUILD THE BACK BRACE ASSEMBLY

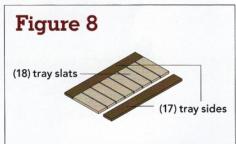
- a. Following Figure 5, lay out and cut two (12) back braces to length and to shape. b. Use glue and 2-inch screws to attach
- the (12) back braces to the (13) back brace cleat. 1% inches from the ends on the l-inch-wide face.

BUILD THE BACK ASSEMBLY

- a. Cut the (14) back slat supports and the (15) back sides to length and to shape following Figure 6.
- b. Using glue and nails, laminate the two pieces together, aligning the ends and the bottom edges.









- c. Following Figure 6, lay out, cut, and drill the 5/16-inch holes.
- d. Using a router fitted with a 1/4-inch roundover bit, rout a slight roundover along the long edges of the stock for the (16) back slats, and then cut the parts to length.
- e. Test-fit the (16) back slats approximately 3/4 inch apart, and mark their locations on the back assembly.
- f. Using glue and 15%-inch screws, attach the (16) back slats to the (14) back slat supports at the marked locations.
- g. Use a $\frac{1}{4}$ -20 x $3\frac{1}{2}$ -inch machine bolt, washers, and a cap nut to attach the back assembly to the frame assembly. Use the fender washers everywhere

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#	PART NAME	QTY.	MATERIAL	SIZE (in inches)
01	frame sides	2	2 x 4	1½ x 3½ x 78
02	front frame	1	1 x 6	³ / ₄ x 2½ x 23 ⁷ / ₈
03	frame back	1	1 x 4	3/4 x 31/2 x 267/8
04	stops	2	2 x 4	1 x 1½ x 36
05	slat supports	2	1 x 6	3/4 x 2½ x 403/4
06	front legs	2	2 x 4	1½ x 3½ x 12½
07	brackets	4	1 x 6	$3/4 \times 51/2 \times 51/2$
08	front leg brace	1	1 x 6	3/4 x 51/2 x 237/8
09	back legs	2	2 x 4	1½ x 3½ x 10½
10	back leg brace	1	1 x 6	³ / ₄ x 5½ x 23½
11	seat slats	13	1 x 6	³ / ₄ x 2½ x 23½
12	back braces	2	1 x 4	³ / ₄ × 1 × 15 ³ / ₄
13	back brace cleat	1	2 x 4	1 x 1½ x 23¾
14	back slat supports	2	1 x 6	3/4 x 11/2 x 323/4
15	back sides	2	1 x 6	3/4 x 21/2 x 323/4
16	back slats	10	1 x 6	3/4 × 21/2 × 22
17	tray sides	2	1 x 4	3/4 × 31/2 × 293/4
18	tray slats	8	1 x 4	³ / ₄ × 3½ × 10 ³ / ₄
19	slide guides	2	1 x 4	3/4 x 11/2 x 195/8
20	slide ends	2	1 x 4	3/4 x 31/2 x 195/8
21	slide sides	2	2×4	15/8 x 11/2 x 265/8
22	tray covers	2	1 x 4	3/4 x 31/2 x 223/8

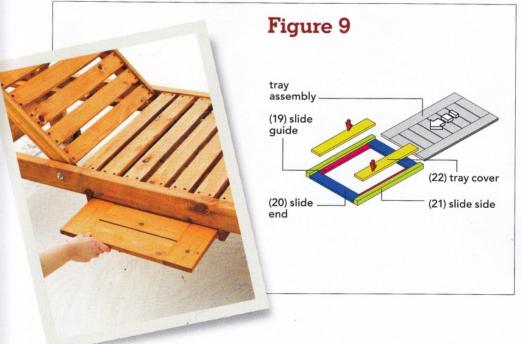
except the inside edge of the back assembly; use the 1/4-inch flat washers in that position. See photo in Figure 2.

h. Use a 1/4-20 x 21/2-inch machine bolt, washers, and wing nuts to attach the back brace assembly to the back assembly.

6 BUILD THE TRAY ASSEMBLY

a. Test-fit the (17) tray sides and (18) tray slats spaced approximately 1/4 inch apart, and mark the location of the (18) tray slats on the (17) tray sides.





- b. Using glue and pocket hole screws, attach the (18) tray slats to the (17) tray sides.
- c. Using a router fitted with a 1/4-inch roundover bit, rout a slight roundover on the perimeter of the tray assembly.

BUILD THE TRAY SUPPORT ASSEMBLY

- a. Using glue and pocket hole screws, assemble the tray support with the (19) slide guides, the (20) slide ends, the (21) slide sides, and the (22) tray covers as shown in Figure 9.
- **b.** Insert the tray assembly into the tray support assembly.
- c. Insert a screw into the center of the bottom of each (17) tray side, letting it stand proud of the bottom tray surface by 3/8 inch to serve as a stop for the tray assembly.
- d. Position the tray support assembly on the underside of the frame assembly, starting 201/2 inches from the front end of the frame assembly. Using glue and 2-inch screws, attach the tray support assembly to the frame assembly.

Lowe's List

☐ Rough cost estimate: \$220*

Lumber: \$125

Hardware & supplies: \$95

LUMBER**

- ☐ 4 cedar boards, 1 x 4 x 8
- ☐ 5 cedar boards, 1 x 6 x 8
- □ 3 cedar boards, 2 x 4 x 8

HARDWARE & SUPPLIES

- ☐ 1 steel rod. ½- x 36-inch
- ☐ 1 pair of 6-inch wheels
- □ 1 package of (1/4-20 x 31/2-inch) machine
- ☐ 1 package of (1/4-20 x 21/2-inch) machine
- ☐ 1 box of (2-inch) deck screws
- □ 1 box of (15%-inch) deck screws
- ☐ 1 package of (11/4-inch) pocket hole screws. coarse thread
- ☐ 1 package of (1/4- x 1-inch) fender washers
- ☐ 1 package of (1/4-inch) flat washers
- ☐ 1 package of (1/4-20) wing nuts
- ☐ 1 package of (1/4-20) cap nuts
- □ 2 (½-inch) axle caps
- ☐ 1 package of nail-on furniture glides
- □ wood filler (PL)
- □ wood glue (Titebond II)
- ☐ 1 quart of stain (Cabot Australian Timber Oil, Mahogany Flame)
- *Does not include applicable taxes, which vary by market, or the cost of tools. Pricing for commodity items may vary due to market conditions.
- **Availability varies by market for lumber species and sizes. Cedar, redwood, and treated southern yellow pine are appropriate for this project.

8 APPLY FINISHING TOUCHES

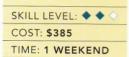
- a. Fill all nail holes with wood filler. Sand smooth, and then apply stain or prime and paint as desired in order to seal the wood and limit splintering.
- b. Attach nail-on furniture glides to the bottom of the legs.

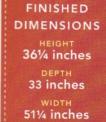


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Deck Box







Instructions:

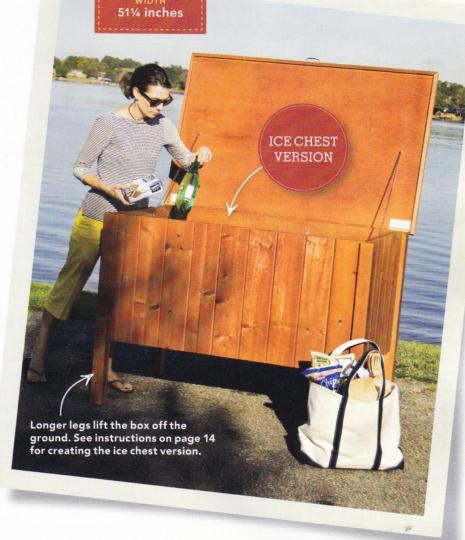
GENERAL: Cut and label the parts as needed, using the Cut List and Cutting Diagram as guides and adjusting for fit.

CREATE THE LEG **ASSEMBLIES**

- a. Cut the twelve (01) legs. If building the short version of the deck box, cut the (01) legs to 23% inches.
- **b.** Using glue and nails, laminate three (01) leg parts to form each leg assembly as shown in Figure 1.

→ BUILD THE FRONT/ A BACK FRAMES AND **END FRAMES**

- a. Following Figure 2, use glue and pocket hole screws to build two front/ back frames using the (02) front/back rails and (03) front/back stiles.
- b. Following Figure 2, use glue and pocket hole screws to build two end frames using the (04) end rails and (05) end stiles.



TOOLS YOU'LL USE











DRILL/DRIVER

KREG JIG K4

- **TABLE SAW (OR CIRCULAR** SAW WITH A STRAIGHTEDGE GUIDE)
- MITER SAW (OR HANDSAW WITH MITER BOX
- **PNEUMATIC NAILER (OR** HAMMER WITH NAIL SET)

NAILER

- **DRILL/DRIVER WITH BITS**
- ♦ KREG JIG K4
- POWER SANDER AND VARIOUS GRITS OF SANDPAPER
- **CLAMPS**
- **TAPE MEASURE**
- **♦ PROTRACTOR**
- **♦ PAINTBRUSH/RAGS**
- ♦ PENCIL

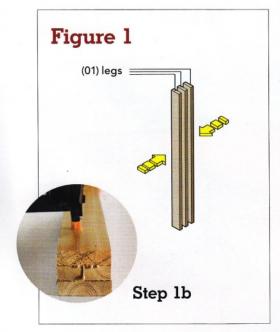
CONNECT THE 3 LEGS AND FRAMES

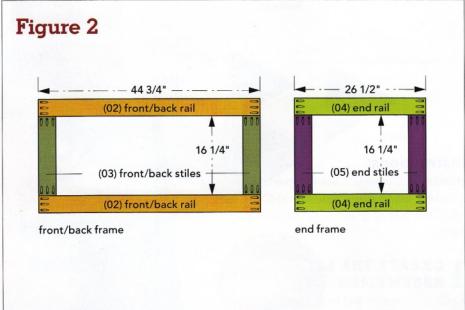
- a. Using glue and pocket hole screws, attach the front/back frames to the leg assemblies. Position the front/back frames flush with the inside faces of the lea assemblies as shown in Figure 3.
- b. Repeat for the end frames.

ADD THE FLOOR 4 BOARD SUPPORTS AND FLOOR BOARDS

a. Using glue and nails, attach the (06) floor board supports to the front/back frames with the tops of the (06) floor board supports flush with the tops of the lower (02) front/back rails.







b. Starting at the center, use glue and nails to attach the (07) floor boards to the assembly with a 3d finishing nail to serve as a spacer between each board. (Refer to Figure 4.) Note: The last two (07) floor boards to be installed on each end will need to be notched to clear the stiles and may need to be ripped to fit the remaining space. Be sure to install these last.

ATTACH THE CLADDING

- a. Using glue and nails, attach the (08) cladding to each frame as shown in Figure 5. Note: If needed, adjust spacing and/or rip boards to fit, especially the boards nearest the legs.
- b. Following the manufacturer's instructions, attach the hinges on the back legs as shown in Figure 5.

6 BUILD THE LID ASSEMBLY

- a. Using glue and nails, attach the (10) back edging to the (09) top panel, aligning the top and ends of the (10) back edging with the top and ends of the (09)
- **b.** Prepare the stock for the (11) front nosing and the (12) side nosing by cutting a 1/8-inch-wide x 1/8-inch-deep groove, with the center of the groove 1/4 inch from the edge as shown in Figure 6.
- c. Using glue and nails, attach the (11) front nosing and the (12) side nosing to the (09) top panel; the nosing parts should be positioned 1/4 inch above the edge of the (09) top panel.
- d. Plane or rip 1/4-inch-thick stock for the (13) divider.
- e. Cut a 1/16-inch-wide x 1/8-inch-deep saw kerf along each edge of the (13) divider as shown in Figure 6.
- f. Using glue and nails, attach the (13) divider along the centerline of the lid assembly.
- q. Attach the lid assembly to the chest assembly with the hinges.

Cut List

#	PART NAME	QTY.	MATERIAL	SIZE (in inches)
01	legs	12*	1 x 6	3/4 × 21/4 × 351/4
02	front/back rails	4	1 x 4	3/4 × 31/2 × 443/4
03	front/back stiles	4	1 x 4.	3/4 x 3½ x 161/4
04	end rails	4	1 x 4	3/4 x 31/2 x 261/2
05	end stiles	4	1 x 4	3/4 x 31/2 x 161/4
06	floor board supports	2	1 x 4	3/4 x 11/2 x 443/4
07	floor boards	13	1 x 4	3/4 x 31/2 x 28
08	cladding	30	1 x 6 tongue-and-groove	3/4 x 51/2 x 231/4
09	top panel	1	plywood	3/4 x 311/2 x 493/4
10	back edging	1	1 x 6	3/4 × 3/4 × 493/4
11	front nosing	1	1 x 4	3/4 x 11/2 x 511/4
12	side nosing	2	1 x 4	3/4 x 11/2 x 33
13	divider	1	1 x 4	1/4 x 21/4 x 321/4

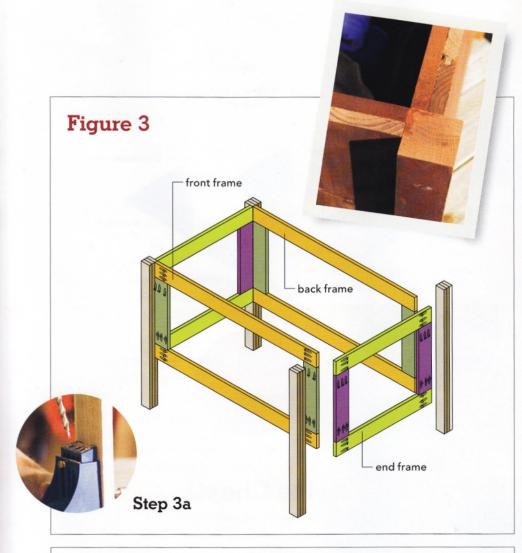
*Three (01) leg parts are glued together to create each leg assembly.

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APPLY FINISHING TOUCHES

- a. Fill all nail holes. Then sand and stain as desired.
- b. Cut the aluminum sheets to fit; slide





Lowe's List

☐ Rough cost estimate: \$385* (\$420* with ice chest conversion)

Lumber: \$245

Hardware & supplies: \$140

Ice chest conversion: \$35

LUMBER**

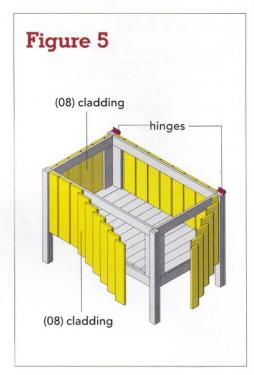
- □ 11 cedar boards, 1 x 4 x 8
- \square 3 cedar boards, $1 \times 6 \times 8$
- □ 8 tongue-and-groove cedar boards, 1x6x8
- ☐ 1 sheet of plywood, ¾-inch x 4- x 8-foot

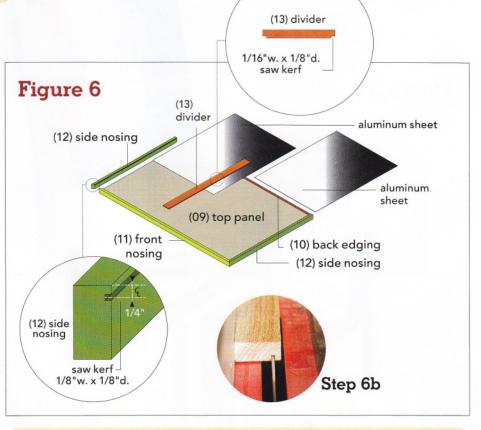
HARDWARE & SUPPLIES

- □ 1 (4%-inch) galvanized door pull
- □ 2 (#9 x 1-inch) screw eyes
- ☐ 1 package of hobby chain
- □ 2 (4-inch) hinges
- ☐ 2 (24- x 48-inch) sheets of 0.025-gauge aluminum
- ☐ 1 box of 4d finishing nails
- ☐ 13d finishing nail
- □ 1 package of (11/4-inch) pocket hole screws, coarse thread
- ☐ stainable wood filler (PL)
- □ wood glue (Titebond III)
- ☐ clear silicone sealant
- ☐ 1 quart of stain (Cabot Australian Timber Oil, Jarrah Brown)

FOR ICE CHEST CONVERSION

- ☐ 1 package of nail-on furniture glides
- □ 1 (50-gallon) Rubbermaid Roughneck tote
- ☐ 1 (¼- x ¼-inch) straight valve quick connect
- □ 1 package of #7 O-rings
- □ 1 (3/8-inch) compression nut
- ☐ 1 package of (3/8- x 7/8- x 1/16-inch) rubber washers
- ☐ 2 feet of ¼-inch polyethylene tubing
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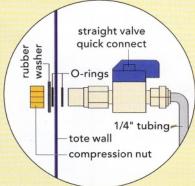
them into the grooves in the nosing parts and (13) divider as shown in Figure 6.

- **c.** Apply a bead of clear silicone sealant to the edges where the aluminum meets the wood. Apply a bead along the back edge of the aluminum where it meets the edge of the (10) back edging.
- **d.** Attach nail-on furniture glides to the leg assemblies.
- **e.** Attach screw eyes and chain to stop the lid at 100 degrees from the top of the assembly when opened.
- **f.** Attach a handle centered on the front edge of the lid.

Turn It Into an Ice Chest!

All you need is a 50-gallon tote and a few extra materials to make the deck box an ice chest. To allow for drainage of melted water, use these steps to add a drain valve to the tote.

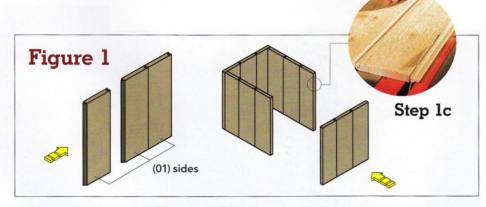
- a. Drill a ½-inch hole on the side of the tote near a bottom corner.
- **b.** Put an O-ring on the threaded part of the straight valve quick connect.
- c. Insert the threaded part of the straight valve quick connect into the hole by turning it clockwise in the direction of the threads until it is flush against the side of the tote.
- d. Position another O-ring on the threaded part of the straight valve quick connect until it is flush against the inside of the tote. Place a rubber washer on the threaded area until it is flush against the O-ring.
- **e.** Attach the compression nut to the threaded part of the straight valve quick connect.
- **f.** Insert the tubing into the opposite end of the straight valve quick connect.
- g. Drill a 5/16-inch hole in the bottom or back of the deck box assembly. Insert the tubing through this hole. Cut the tubing to length as needed.

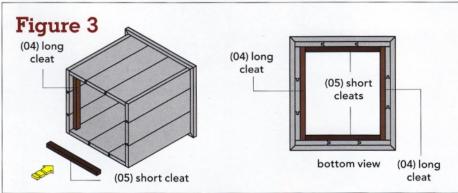


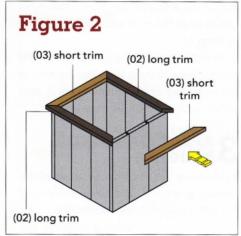


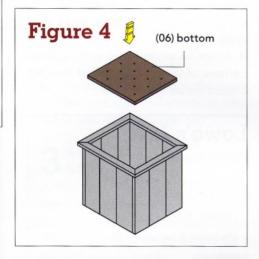












Make the Cedar Planter

This version provides extra detail and can be left natural with a protective topcoat.

Instructions:

GENERAL: Cut and label the parts as needed, using the Cut List and Cutting Diagram as guides and adjusting for fit.

CREATE THE SIDE ASSEMBLIES

- a. Assemble three (01) sides as shown in Figure 1, applying glue to the tongue and grooves of the connecting edges. Repeat to create the three remaining side assemblies.
- b. Cut the side assemblies to 15 inches wide, cutting the groove side.
- c. Flip over each assembly so that the tongue side is nearest the blade, and cut to 14 inches wide. Save the cut pieces for Step 2b. (Each assembly should have a flat edge.)
- d. Position two side assemblies flush with the outside edges of one side assembly as shown in Figure 1, and then

attach the side assemblies together using glue and screws.

e. Position the fourth side assembly flush with the outside edges of the first two side assemblies, and attach using glue and screws.

◆ ATTACH THE TRIM AND CLEATS

a. Position the (02) long trim and (03) short trim flush with the inside edges of the assembly as shown in Figure 2, and attach using glue and 4d nails.

TOOLS YOU'LL USE



TABLE SAW MITER SAW



NAILER



DRILL/DRIVER WITH RITS



POWER SANDER

- **◆ TABLE SAW (OR** CIRCULAR SAW WITH A STRAIGHTEDGE GUIDE)
- MITER SAW (OR HANDSAW WITH MITER BOX)
- **♦ PNEUMATIC NAILER (OR**
- HAMMER WITH NAIL SET)
- DRILL/DRIVER WITH BITS
- POWER SANDER AND VARIOUS GRITS OF SANDPAPER
- **CLAMPS**
- **TAPE MEASURE**
- PAINTBRUSH/RAGS
- PENCIL

- b. Cut the (04) long cleats and (05) short cleats from the four cut pieces created in Step 1c.
- c. Position the (04) long cleats and (05) short cleats 3/4 inch from the bottom of the assembly as shown in Figure 3, and attach using glue and wire brads.

3 APPLY FINISHING TOUCHES

- a. Measure the inside dimensions of the planter assembly, and adjust the size of the (06) bottom if needed.
- b. Drill 1/4-inch drainage holes in the (06) bottom.
- c. Fill all of the nail holes, sand, and apply sealant.
- d. Attach furniture glides to the bottom corners of the planter. Insert the (06) bottom inside the planter.

Lowe's List

Cedar Planter

☐ Rough cost estimate: \$70* (for one planter)

Lumber: \$35

Hardware & supplies: \$35

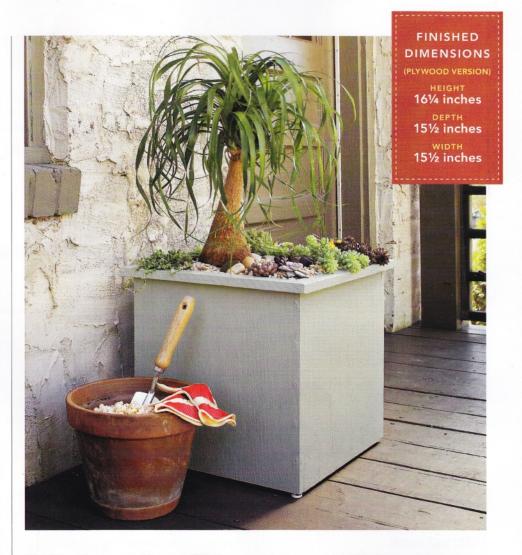
LUMBER**

- ☐ 2 tongue-and-groove cedar boards, 1x6x8
- □ 1 cedar board, 1 x 2 x 8
- □ 1 sheet of exterior plywood, 3/4-inch x 2- x 2-foot

HARDWARE & SUPPLIES

- □ 1 box of (15%-inch) deck screws
- ☐ 1 box of 4d finishing nails
- □ 1 box of (#18 x 1-inch) wire brads
- ☐ 1 package of nail-on furniture glides
- □ stainable wood filler (PL)
- □ wood glue (Titebond III)
- ☐ 1 quart of waterproofing sealant (Olympic Maximum Toner, Cedar Naturaltone)

*Does not include applicable taxes, which vary by market, or the cost of tools. Pricing for commodity items may vary due to market conditions. **Availability varies by market for lumber species and sizes.



Make the Plywood Planter

A simpler version is quick to assemble, requires less skill, and takes paint well.

ASSEMBLE THE SIDES AND ENDS

a. Position the (01) ends flush with the (02) sides as shown in Figure 1, and attach using glue and screws.

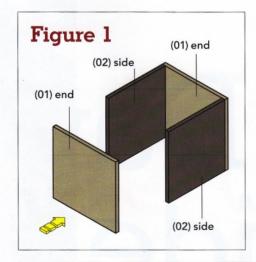
ATTACH THE TRIM AND CLEATS

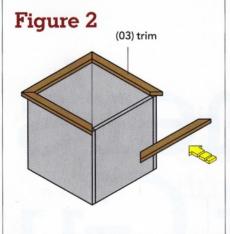
- a. Position the (03) trim flush with the inside edges of the assembly as shown in Figure 2, and attach using glue and 4d nails.
- b. Position the two (04) long cleats and the two (05) short cleats 3/4 inch from the bottom of the assembly as shown in

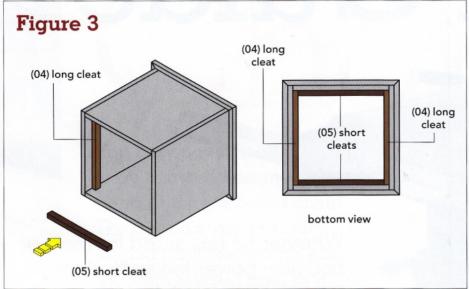
Figure 3, and attach using glue and wire brads

3 APPLY FINISHING TOUCHES

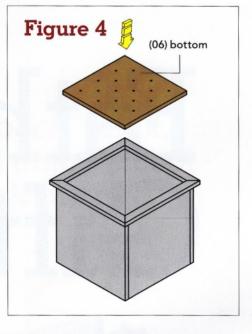
- a. Measure the inside dimensions of the planter assembly, and adjust the size of the (06) bottom if needed.
- b. Drill 1/4-inch drainage holes in the (06) bottom.
- c. Fill all of the nail holes, sand, prime, and paint.
- d. Attach furniture glides to the bottom corners of the planter. Insert the (06) bottom inside the planter.







Cut List PART NAME MATERIAL SIZE (IN INCHES) QTY. CEDAR VERSION 01 sides 12 1 x 6 tongue-and-groove 3/4 x 51/2 x 151/2 3/4 x 11/2 x 17* 2 1 x 2 02 long trim 3/4 x 11/2 x 151/2* 2 1 x 2 short trim 03 2 1 x 6 3/4 x 3/4 x 14 04 long cleats 2 3/4 x 3/4 x 11 short cleats 1 x 6 05 3/4 x 123/8 x 137/8 1 plywood bottom 06 PLYWOOD VERSION 01 ends 2 plywood 3/4 x 151/2 x 151/2 3/4 x 143/4 x 151/2 2 plywood 02 sides 3/4 x 11/2 x 17* 03 trim 4 plywood 2 3/4 x 3/4 x 14 04 long cleats plywood 2 3/4 x 3/4 x 121/2 short cleats plywood 05 1 3/4 x 137/8 x 137/8 bottom plywood *Measure from long point to long point.



Lowe's List

Plywood Planter

□ Rough cost estimate: \$95* (for one planter)

Lumber: \$20

Hardware & supplies: \$75

LUMBER**

☐ 2 sheets of exterior plywood, 3/4-inch x 2- x 4-foot

HARDWARE & SUPPLIES

- □ 1 package of (15%-inch) deck screws
- ☐ 1 box of 4d finishing nails
- ☐ 1 box of (#18 x 1-inch) wire brads
- ☐ 1 package of nail-on furniture glides
- ☐ paintable wood filler (PL)
- □ wood glue (Titebond III)
- ☐ 1 gallon of stain (Cabot PRO.V.T. Solid Color Acrylic Stain, Cape Cod Gray)
- ☐ 1 quart of primer (Valspar)
- ☐ 1 quart of paint (Valspar Signature Colors, Creative Ideas for Color, 3-Olive Martini CI 39, satin)
- *Does not include applicable taxes, which vary by market, or the cost of tools. Pricing for commodity items may vary due to market conditions.
- **Availability varies by market for lumber species and sizes.



To download the Cutting Diagram for this project, go to LowesCreativeIdeas.com/ Woodworkers.

Father's Da Gift Guide



Whether he has asked for them or not, new power tools are always a hit with Dad. If he's looking to power up his capabilities, then he'll need additional motorized muscle.

Table Saws

very workshop revolves around the table saw. Update Dad's with one of these new models. He'll appreciate the mobility of either when he needs to clean up or reorganize.

Porter-Cable 10-inch JobSite **Table Saw** (#89913)

FEATURES: A mobile stand on 6-inch rubber wheels that folds quickly for storage and can be moved easily; telescoping rear out-feed extension wing for extra support

Porter-Cable 4 10-inch **Stationary Table** Saw (#101711)

FEATURES: Built-in arbor lock for quick-and-easy blade changes; up to 30 inches of ripping capacity from the right side of the blade



■ ive Dad a leg up on detail work with this great gift. Well-suited for curved and precise cuts, a band saw can be fitted with blades that will cut material other than wood.

Porter-Cable 14-inch Band Saw

(#78159)

FEATURES: Two operating speeds for different materials; 16- x 16-inch cast iron table; cabinet-style stand; tool-free blade tension adjustment

Accessories

hat are power tools without accessories? Help Dad make his projects look even better with these extras: saw blades that fit the job at hand and Bench Cookies for holding workpieces in place.

Miter/Table Saw Blades

FEATURES: Nonstick coating that reduces friction and heat buildup; anti-kickback design; micrograin carbide

- 12-inch 96-Tooth Fine Finish Blade (#103022)
- 10-inch 50-Tooth Combination Blade (#103024)
- 8-inch 12-Tooth Dado Blade Set (#103028)



Bench Dog Tools Bench Cookies (#323309)

FEATURES: 3-inch diameter, 1-inch thick; allows you to raise up workpieces for easy edge-finishing; rout, sand, cut, and carve without using clamps

Sanders & **Grinders**

TT e'll always need tools to help him fine-tune his work, so check out these benchtop beauties for Dad's shop.

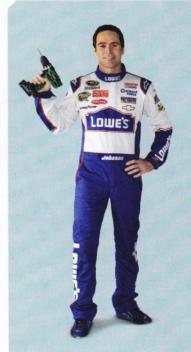
Porter-Cable 4- x 8-inch **Belt/Disc Sander** (#91036)

FEATURES: 3/4-horsepower induction ball-bearing motor; built-in dust port; easy-touse belt tension control



Porter-Cable 4 8-inch Grinder (#80500) and 6-inch **Grinder** (#78808)

FEATURES: 2,000-3,400 rpm speed control; adjustable work lamp; aluminum tool rest with groove for easy bit sharpening



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for unlimited potential in the workshop.

How To Use a Table Saw



To set up the table saw, first raise the blade slightly above the top of the workpiece by turning the elevation wheel. For a rip cut, remove the miter gauge, measure, and position the fence for the width of the cut. For a crosscut, remove the fence from the saw.



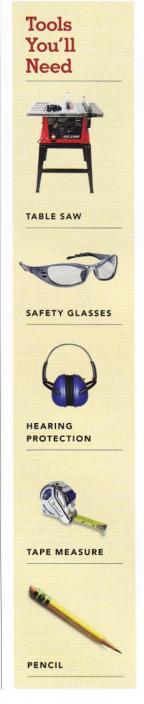
For crosscuts, measure and mark the desired cut on the board. Place the board against the miter gauge, and align the mark with the blade. Make sure the blade's edge is on the waste side of the mark. Move the board away from the blade. Start the saw, and push the board steadily through the cut.



For rip cuts, position the board flush against the fence and table at the front of the table saw, making sure the board is not touching the blade. Start the saw, and push the board through the cut at a consistent speed. Use a push stick to guide the board through the cut.









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WORKSHOP

Cedar vs. Treated

Use the right wood for the job when building outdoor projects.

ooner or later, most woodworkers want to build a project for outdoor use, and that will probably mean using different materials and design details. Pressure-treated pine and cedar are widely available and suitable for outdoor use.

Pressure-treated lumber is typically produced using southern yellow pine, a strong wood with a cellular structure that readily accepts a liquid preservative treatment. Often, the moisture content is still very high when the wood is purchased for use, so it's a good idea to buy your lumber a few weeks ahead of time if your project schedule allows.



Use pressure-treated lumber to build decks, fencing, and other structural outdoor projects.

For outdoor furniture and other projects that involve detail work, cedar is a great choice. It is produced in a selection of sizes and forms, including generalpurpose boards, fencing, decking, shingles, posts, and beveled siding. The reddish-brown heartwood of this northern conifer contains chemical compounds that make it naturally resistant to moisture, fungi, and insects, so it fares well outdoors. Look for dark, dense cedar to have the best weatherresistant properties.

Pine, poplar, and

red oak make great indoor furniture,

but they won't last

pressure-treated pine when exposed

to the elements.

like cedar and

Cedar doesn't have the heavy pitch and resin that are found in other softwoods such as pine, so it's lightweight, cuts and sands easily, and takes all kinds of finishes well, especially exterior latex stains.

MEMBER PROFILE | Daniel Blackmon

Carving a Niche



aniel Blackmon's enthusiasm for woodworking began in junior high. "I just needed another class to fill up my schedule," he says, "so I thought I'd give shop class a try." He was hooked.

Years later, the Holden, Missouri, home Daniel shares with his wife, Janet, is filled with his projects. The pair remodeled their kitchen-Daniel built the cabinets and Janet did the tiling—and he constructed a generous deck outside.

But these days his favorite pastime is working with his CarveWright (#128880), an



innovative carving machine. Daniel uses a computer to create his designs and then downloads them to a small memory card. He plugs the card into the machine, which then executes the designs in wood. "It's definitely my favorite tool," he says.

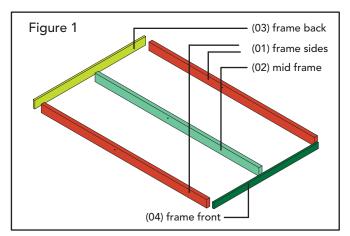
After working for nearly 40 years doing everything from roofing and construction to installing cable television service, Daniel is currently

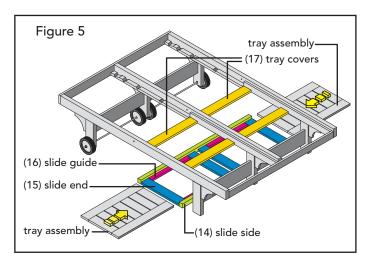
Daniel built the cabinetry for his kitchen remodel.

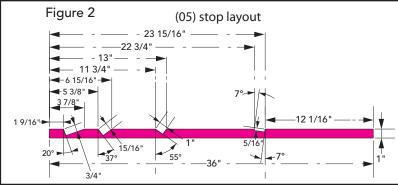
attending carpentry school. His woodworking talents supplement the family's income, whether Daniel uses his CarveWright to create signs for businesses or to do remodeling work for acquaintances. "My woodworking has always been a backup plan, just in case," Daniel says.

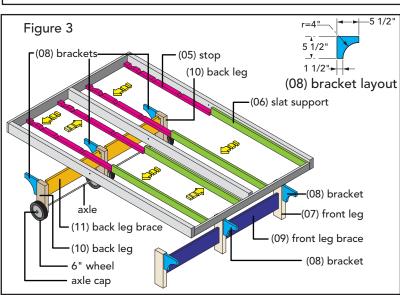
Woodworking is also a way for Daniel to unwind and enjoy himself. "It's relaxing for me," he says. "I can go in my shop and just tinker around, without any deadlines. It's fun to cut a piece of wood and see what turns out."

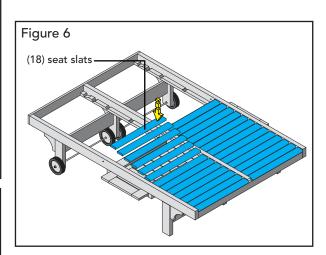
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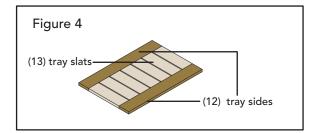






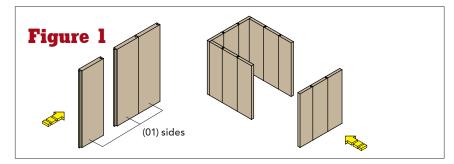


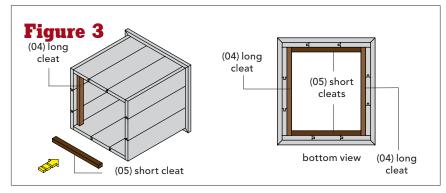


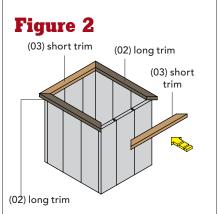


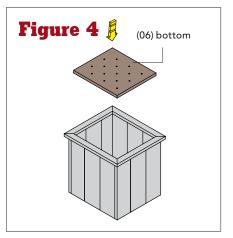


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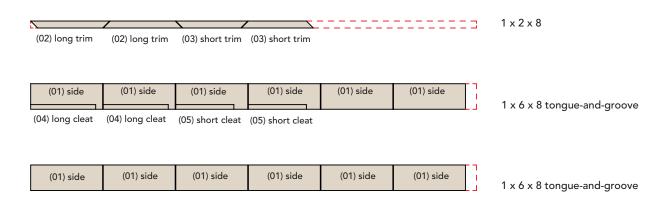


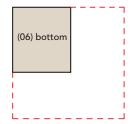




Patio Planter Cutting Diagram

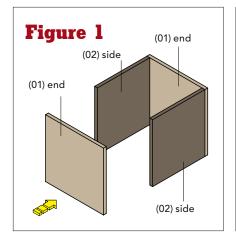
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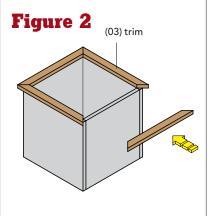


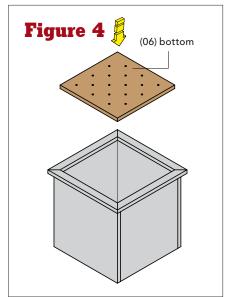


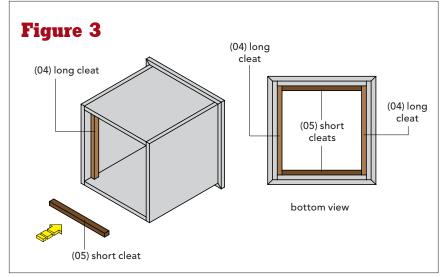


Plywood Planter

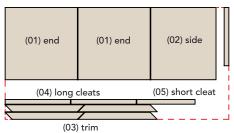






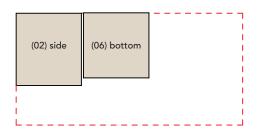


Plywood Planter



(05) short cleat

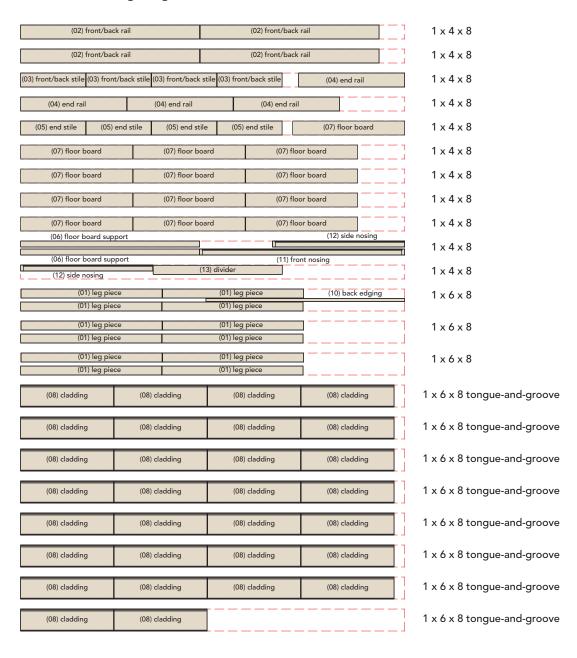
3/4-inch x 2- x 4-foot sheet of plywood



3/4-inch x 2- x 4-foot sheet of plywood



Deck Box Cutting Diagram



(09) top panel

3/4-inch x 4- x 8-foot sheet plywood





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Sun Chair for Two

Sit back, relax, and enjoy a cool drink in style with a friend.



INSTRUCTIONS

General: Cut and label the parts as needed, using the Cut List and Cutting Diagram as guides and adjusting for fit.

1 BUILD THE FRAME ASSEMBLY.

- a. Drill a 5/16-inch-diameter hole in the (01) frame sides at 34 11/16 inches from the back end and 1 1/4 inches down from one side.
- b. Using glue and pocket hole screws, assemble the frame as shown in Figure 1 with the (01) frame sides, (02) mid frame, (03) frame back, and (04) frame front.





2 ADD THE STOP, SLAT SUPPORTS, AND LEGS.

- a. Cut four (05) stops from a 2 x 4. Following Figure 2, lay out and cut the notches using a jigsaw.
- b. Following Figure 3, use glue and 2-inch screws to attach each (05) stop to the back end and inside edge of each (01) frame side and (02) mid frame, aligning the bottoms of the pieces so they are flush.
- c. Using glue and 1 5/8-inch screws, attach each (06) slat support to the front end of each (01) frame side and the (02) mid frame, aligning the bottoms of the pieces so they are flush.
- d. Using glue and pocket hole screws, attach the (07) front legs 12 inches from the front end of the frame assembly.
- e. Following the bracket layout in Figure 3, lay out and cut six (08) brackets.
- f. Using glue and pocket hole screws, attach a (08) bracket to each (07) front leg and to the frame sides and mid frame of the frame assembly as shown in Figure 3
- g. Position the (09) front leg brace centered vertically and horizontally to the (07) front legs, and attach using glue and 1 5/8-inch screws.
- h. Draw a centerline on the (10) back legs, and drill a 9/16-inch hole 1 inch from the bottom for each end of the axles.
- i. Using glue and pocket hole screws, attach the (10) back legs 12 3/4 inches from the back end of the frame assembly.
- j. Using glue and pocket hole screws, attach a (08) bracket to each (10) back leg and to the frame sides and mid frame of the frame assembly.
- k. In each upper corner of the (11) back leg brace, cut a 1 1/2-inch-wide x 1-inch-deep notch, ensuring it will fit around the (05) stops.
- I. Using glue and pocket hole screws, attach the (11) back leg brace to each (10) back leg.
- m. Cut the 1/2-inch steel rod to length centered on the middle (10) back leg, allowing for the thickness of the 6-inch wheels and the depth of the axle caps.



n. Thread each axle through the holes in the outside (10) back legs and to the center of the middle (10) back leg, and attach the wheels to the axles using an axle cap and hose clamps.



3 BUILD THE TRAY ASSEMBLIES AND THE TRAY SUPPORT ASSEMBLY.

- a. Test-fit the (12) tray sides and (13) tray slats spaced equidistantly. Mark the location of the (13) tray slats on the (12) tray sides.
- b. Using glue and pocket hole screws, attach the (13) tray slats to the (12) tray sides as shown in Figure 4.
- c. Using a router fitted with a 1/4-inch roundover bit, rout a slight roundover on the perimeter of the tray assembly.
- d. Using glue and pocket hole screws, assemble the tray support with the (14) slide guides, the (15) slide ends, the (16) slide guides, and the (17) tray covers as shown in Figure 5.
- e. Insert the tray assembly into the tray support assembly.
- f. Insert a screw into the center of the bottom of each (12) tray side, letting it stand proud of the bottom tray surface by 3/8 inch to serve as a stop for the tray assembly.



g. Position the tray support assembly on the underside of the frame assembly, starting 20 1/2 inches from the front end of the frame assembly. Using glue and 2-inch screws, attach the tray support assembly to the frame assembly.



4 ATTACH THE SEAT SLATS.

- a. Rip the stock for the (18) seat slats. Using a router fitted with a 1/4-inch roundover bit, rout a slight roundover along the long edges of the stock, and cut the (18) seat slats to length.
- b. Test-fit the (18) seat slats approximately 3/4 inch apart and mark their locations.
- c. Using glue and 1 5/8-inch screws, attach the (18) seat slats to the (06) slat supports spaced equidistantly. (Refer to Figure 6.)



5 BUILD THE BACK BRACE ASSEMBLIES.

- a. Following Figure 7, lay out and cut two (19) back braces to length and to shape.
- b. Use glue and 2-inch screws to attach the (19) back braces 1 5/16 inches from the ends on the 1-inch wide face of the (20) back brace cleat. Repeat to build the second back brace assembly.



6 BUILD THE BACK ASSEMBLIES.

- a. Cut the (21) back slat supports and the (22) back sides ot length and to shape following Figure 8.
- b. Using glue and brads, laminate the two pieces together, aligning the ends and bottom edges.
- c. Following Figure 8, lay out, cut, and drill the 5/16-inch holes. Be sure to build as mirrored pairs.
- d. Using a router fitted with a 1/4-inch roundover bit, rout a slight roundover along the long edges of the stock for the (23) back slats, and then cut the parts to length.



- e. Test-fit the (23) back slats approximately 3/4 inch apart, and mark their locations on the back assembly.
- f. Using glue and 1 5/8-inch screws, attach the (23) back slats to the (21) back slat supports at the marked locations as shown in Figure 9.



7 APPLY FINISHING TOUCHES.

- a. Fill all nail holes with wood filler. Sand smooth, and then apply stain or prime and paint as desired in order to seal the wood and limit splintering.
- b. Attach nail-on furniture glides to the bottom of the legs

FINISHED DIMENSIONS

Height (upright) 47 1/4 inches

Height (flat) 16 inches

Depth 78 3/4 inches

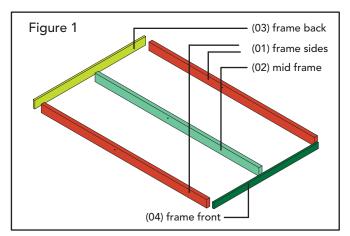
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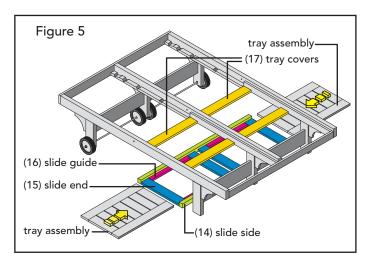


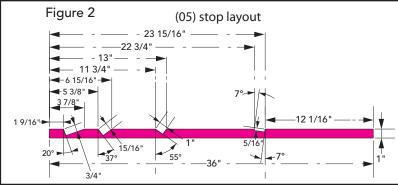
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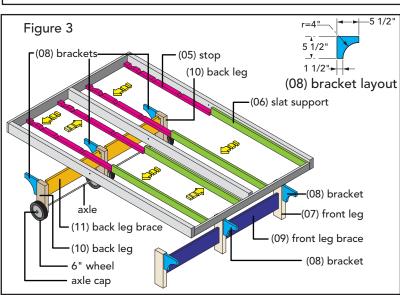
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02	mid frame	1	2 x 4	1 1/2 x 3 1/2 x 77 1/4
03	frame back	1	1 x 4	3/4 x 3 1/2 x 52 1/4
04	frame front	1	1 x 6	3/4 x 2 1/2 x 49 1/4
05	stops	4	2 x 4	1 x 1 1/2 x 36
06	slat supports	4	1 x 6	3/4 x 2 1/2 x 41 1/4
07	front legs	3	2 x 4	1 1/2 x 3 1/2 x 12 1/2
08	brackets	6	1 x 6	3/4 x 5 1/2 x 5 1/2
09	front leg braces	2	1 x 6	3/4 x 5 1/2 x 23 7/8
10	back legs	3	2 x 4	1 1/2 x 3 1/2 x 9 1/2
11	back leg braces	2	1 x 6	3/4 x 5 1/2 x 23 7/8
12	tray sides	4	1 x 4	3/4 x 3 1/2 x 26
13	tray slats	14	1 x 4	3/4 x 3 1/2 x 10 3/4
14	slide sides	2	2 x 4	1 1/2 x 1 5/8 x 52 1/4
15	slide ends	4	1 x 4	3/4 x 3 1/2 x 18
16	slide guides	4	1 x 4	3/4 x 1 1/2 x 18 1/4
17	tray covers	4	1 x 4	3/4 x 3 1/2 x 22 3/8
18	seat slats	26	1 x 6	3/4 x 2 1/2 x 23 7/8
19	back braces	4	1 x 4	3/4 x 1 x 15 3/4
20	back brace cleats	2	2 x 4	1 x 1 1/2 x 23 3/4
21	back slat supports	4	1 x 4	3/4 x 1 1/2 x 32 3/4
22	back sides	4	1 x 6	3/4 x 2 1/2 x 32 3/4
23	back slats	20	1 x 6	3/4 x 2 1/2 x 22 7/16

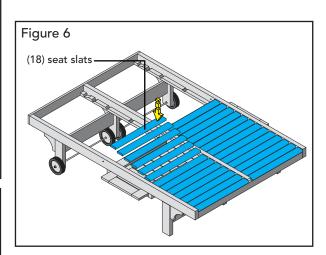
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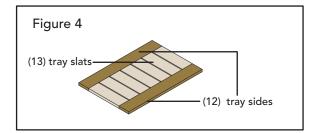






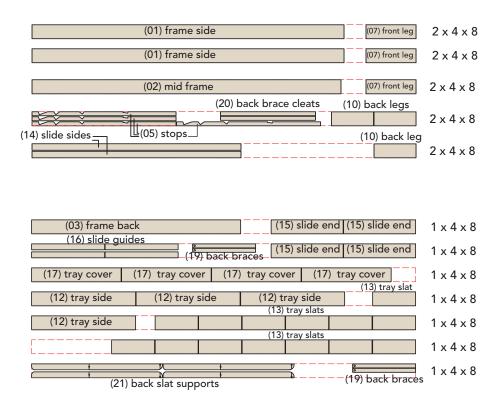








Sun Chair for Two Cutting Diagram



(06) slat support (04) frame front	(06) slat support (06) slat support	1 x 6 x 8
(08) brackets	(06) slat support	1 x 6 x 8
(09) front leg brace (09) front leg brace	(11) back leg braces	1 x 6 x 8
(18) seat slat (18) seat slat (18) seat slat	(18) seat slat (18) seat slat (18) seat slat (18) seat slat (18) seat slat	1 x 6 x 8
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