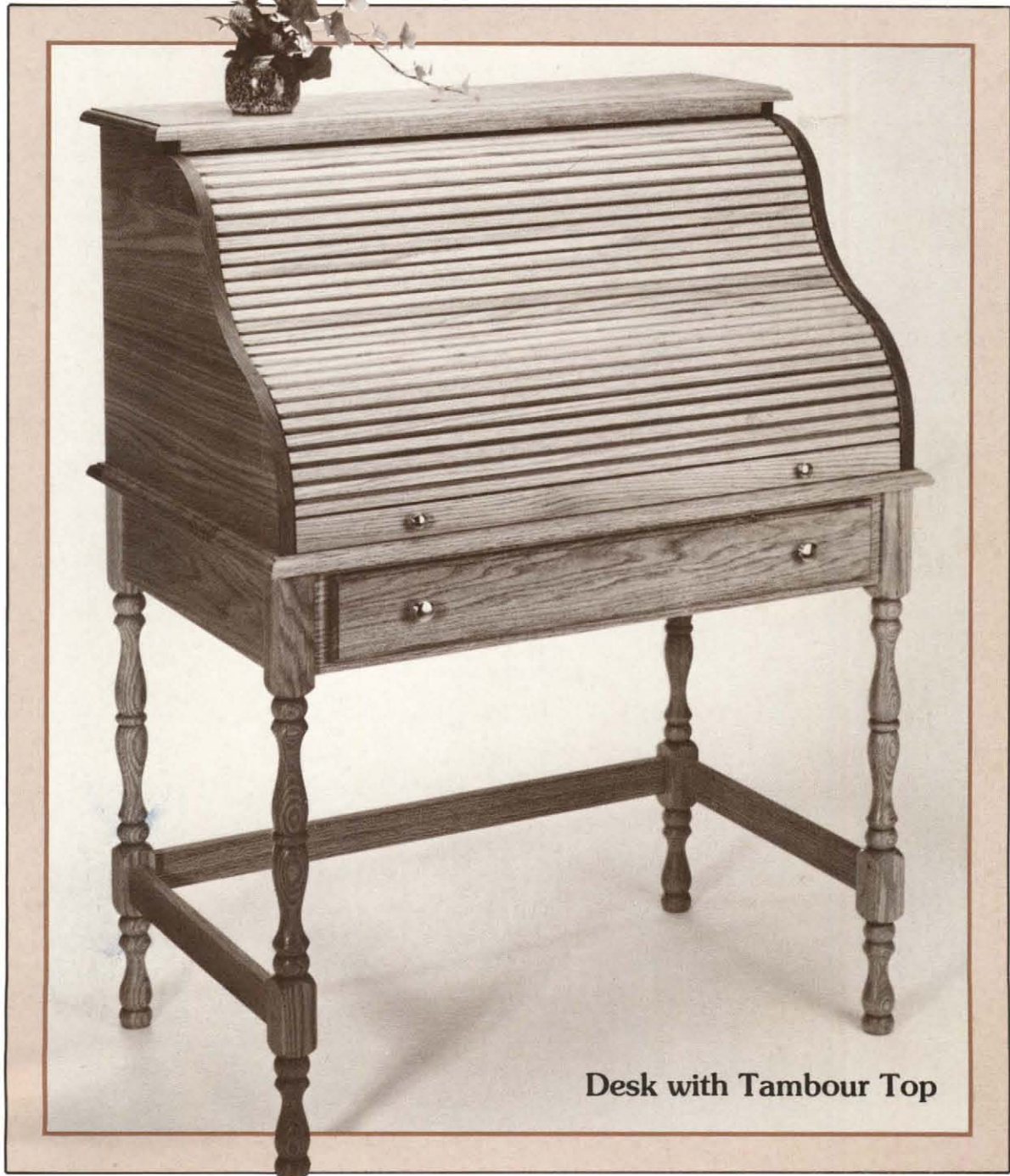


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4301BV	Vr. Sp. Orbt. Jig Saw	133.25
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	100	12.00 pk.	9.30 pk.
	80	12.20 pk.	9.70 pk.
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		40 13.10 pk.	11.50 pk.
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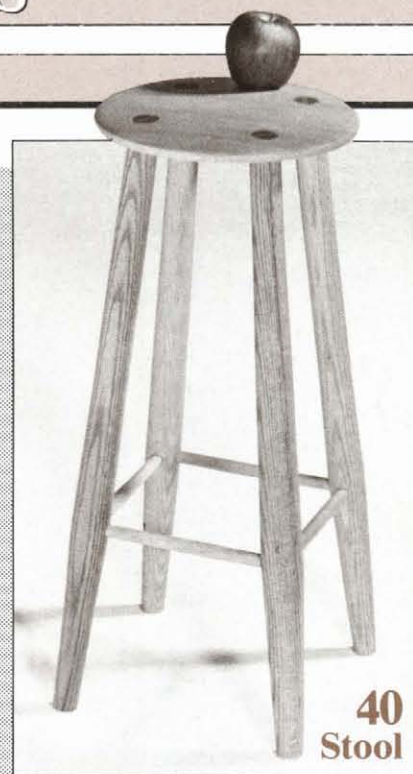
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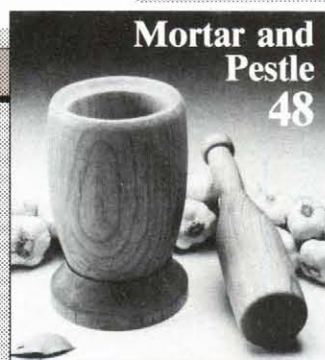
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Craft Fairs

My father and I used to kid my mother about her inability to drive past any craft fair or flea market, and how difficult it was to pry her loose once she got in. If there had been a bumper sticker available then that said "Warning . . . I Brake For Craft Fairs", we surely would have put one on her car.

Although apparently dormant in my younger days, I know that she passed on her craft fair genes to me, for the compulsion to stop at craft fairs seems to grow stronger in me with each passing year. I really do enjoy them, especially the smaller local fairs where it is easy to chat with the artisans. It's always interesting to talk with woodworkers who are able to make a living at their craft, and often they are willing to share their production and marketing methods.

If you are seriously interested in making wood gift items for sale in art fairs or through retail outlets, you will do well to investigate a monthly newspaper called *The Crafts Report*. This publication is a clearing house for those in the business of selling their crafts and has a lot of useful information including how to cope with the business side of your woodworking. A one year subscription (11 issues) can be obtained by sending a check for \$16.75 to *The Crafts Report*, Subscription Dept., P.O. Box 1992, Willmington, DE 19899.

An Auction for the Birds

Earlier this year, I reported on an auction that brought

\$1,045,000 for an antique piecrust table. Even more surprising was a recent news item stating that \$205,000 was paid for a single drake wood duck decoy at an auction out on Cape Cod. The two-day sale of 733 lots from a private collection totaled an incredible \$1,435,000. Big business in antique decoys.

Although the quality of the carving is important, a good decoy is more distinguished by the painting of the plumage. Decoys are fun to carve, and although we've published plans for a couple in past years, we are probably about due for some more decoy and bird carving projects. But first I've got to do a bit of research on what constitutes a really good carving and how we can best show not only the carving process but the painting of the plumage.

A Weird Woodworking Sport

If what I saw on T.V. Saturday afternoon wasn't an hallucination, belt sander engineers may have some new problems to face. What I saw (or what I think I saw) was a belt sander drag race. The "drivers" set their sanders on separate tracks fitted with fences to keep the sanders from running off. At a signal, switches were jammed to "ON", and the sanders, tethered to long extension cords, screamed their way down the track. They traveled at a surprising rate of speed and the race was over in seconds.

One can suppose that successful drivers jealously guard their secrets for souping up the sanders with heavy-duty brush springs, special grits for better traction, etc. It's all in good fun, of course, but I can't really recommend putting your belt sander to such use. Still, I wonder how my old Sears "Chopped Coupe" would stack up against the new Japanese jobs.

Jim McQuillan

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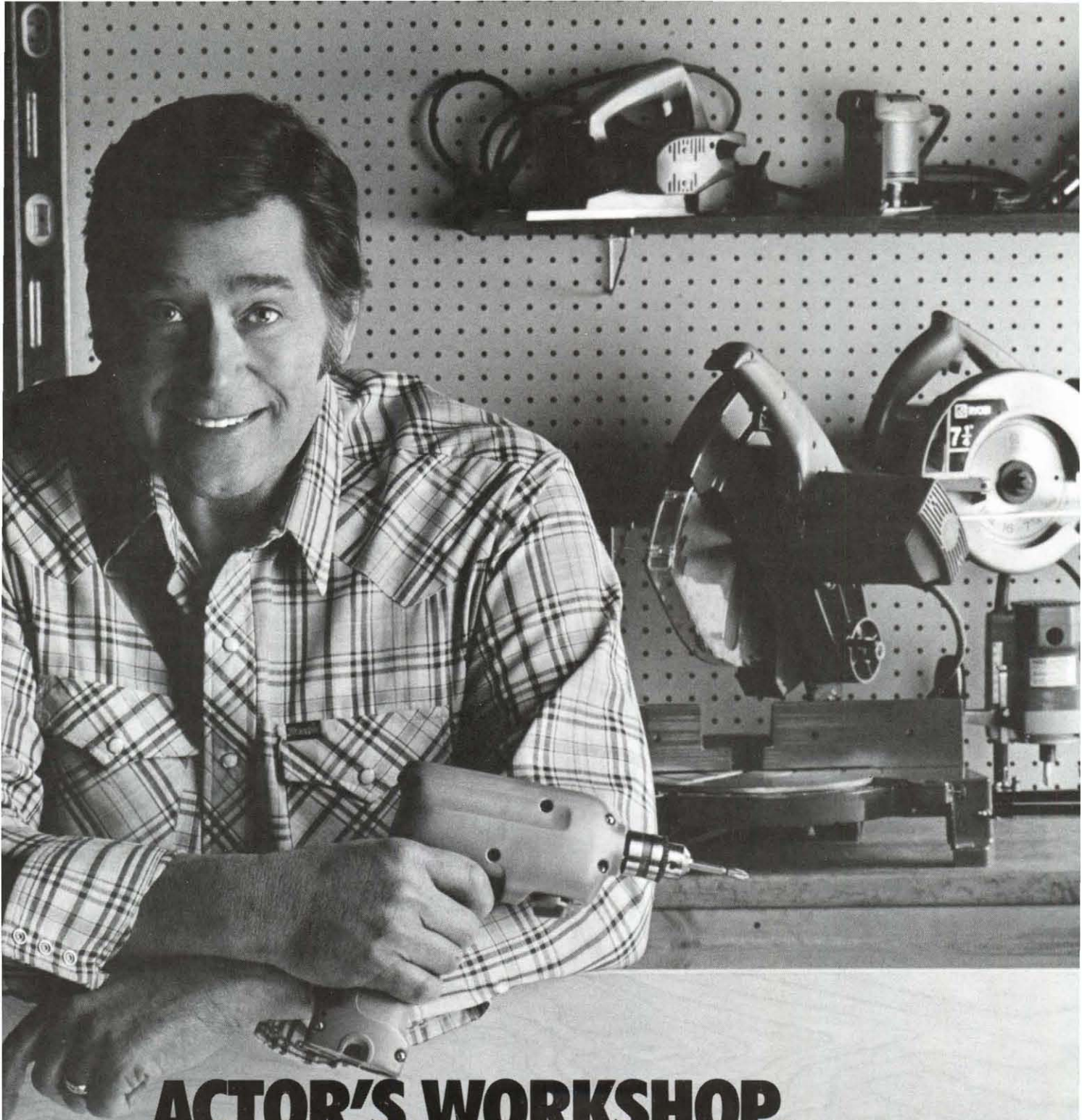
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Letters

In his Shoptalk column on page 4 of your July/August 1986 issue, Jim McQuillan talked about a $\frac{3}{16}$ - $\frac{1}{32}$ in. countersink that worked especially well. I'm anxious to buy one and give it a try, but I've not been able to locate a source. I've tried several shop supply distributors but have not had any luck. Can you tell me the name of a supplier?

W.W. Cook
Beatrice, Neb.

Several of our readers have written to tell of the same problem. After a few phone calls we were able to come up with a mail-order supplier for the part. It's available from Elisha Penniman, Inc., P.O. Box 10271, 1005 New Britain Ave., West Hartford, CT 06110, telephone: (203) 527-1183. Your order should state that you want the Swiss Precision Instrument countersink part no. 82-232-0.

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As someone who is a "beginning woodworker", I have much appreciated your articles (May/June and July/August 1986) suggesting guidelines for buying a first router and bits. I am usually lost when choosing between a \$29.95 basic tool and its \$299.50 Cadillac version. After reading your articles, I can identify the middle ground between the least expensive but low-powered and the most expensive and more-power-than-I-need routers.

I hope you will prepare the same type of article for other first tools, especially table saws.

Terry J. Hanford
Takona Park, Md.

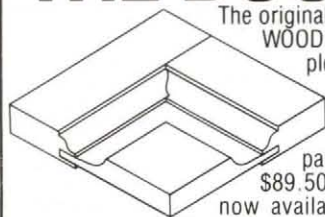
Since my retirement four years ago, I have been doing furniture repair and refinishing on a limited scale. I have

had no problems to speak of with one exception. Last November I stripped and refinished an oval, oak library table. There were two stains on the top, one circular, and one roughly rectangular in shape. Each stain was blue-black to jet black in color. When additional applications of stripper and sanding didn't improve the situation, I tried, for the first time, oxalic acid. I followed the directions closely, I thought. I kept the solution warm, and kept applying additional coats until the stains seemed to disappear. I neutralized with Sal Soda before sanding, and when I was finished, the rectangular spot was gone and the circular spot was barely discernable.

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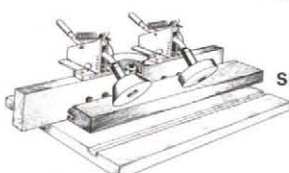
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problem? Didn't I go far enough with the acid? Should I use some different bleaching agent? If so, what? I am learning all the time and am eager to do a good job. Any help you can give me on this would be appreciated.

William T. Myers
Syracuse, N.Y.

Editor's Note: John Olson, who writes our Restoring Antiques column, will handle this one.

I'd say the stains were caused by something made of iron that was left on the table. The iron must have been moist or damp and it probably occurred at a time when there was little or no finish on the table. Under wet and/or humid conditions, the tannic acid in oak will combine with iron to form black insoluble ferric tannate. Application of a saturated solution of oxalic acid changes the black insoluble ferric tannate into ferrous tannate, a colorless soluble chemical compound. If the surface is then thoroughly washed with water to remove all of the ferrous tannate, the bleach will be permanent. However, Mr. Meyers washed his table with a solution of sodium car-

bonate to, as he said, "neutralize the oxalic acid". Undoubtedly the ferrous tannate remained in and on the oak surface. Since Sal Soda (sodium carbonate) is a mild basic chemical, over a period of time it neutralized the effects of the oxalic acid, and the ferrous tannate reverted to ferric tannate and the stain reappeared. You'll have to strip the table top, rebleach with oxalic acid and then wash the surface thoroughly with water. No attempt should be made to neutralize the oxalic acid.

Since all finishes are permeable to some degree there is another possible answer. If the owner cleaned the table with a solution containing ammonia, a strong basic chemical, it is conceivable that the ammonia could have penetrated the finish and caused the iron stain to reappear.

I'd like to thank you for publishing my plea for a blade guide for my old Shopsmith jig saw in the Readers' Information Exchange column of your July/August 1986 issue. I was given a good solution to the problem, plus an idea that could put me on the path to a

replacement blade. I received four responses, which I think is terrific. I only hope that someday I can help somebody else. By the way, I wrote and thanked everyone who responded.

Robert Gibson
Pittsburgh, Penn.

I make and sell wooden towel bars, so I use a lot of 3/4 in. diameter dowel stock. I need 24 in. lengths, but the commercially made rods are 36 in. long, so I end up with considerable waste. Recently, I was told that there is a tool available that would enable me to make my own dowel rod. Can you tell me who sells it?

Marvin Kuebler
Deer Creek, Ill.

The Frog Tool Company, 700 West Jackson Boulevard, Chicago, IL 60606 carries a tool they call the Miniature Dowel Factory. It attaches to a lathe or drill press and makes dowels in any size from 1/4 in. to 1 in. diameters. We've never used one, so we can't tell you what kind of a job it does. The current price is \$98.50.

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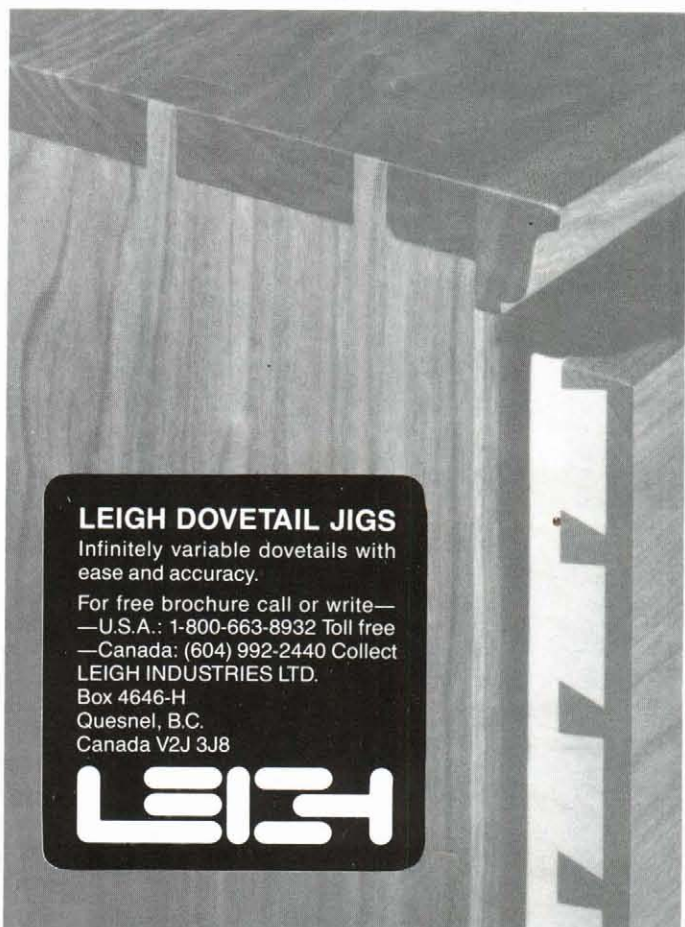
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I would appreciate it if your readers could tell me where to get a drive belt (no. 11-2-989720-01) for a 3 in. Sears belt sander, model no. 315.11700. *P.W. Weiler*
3550 6th Place N.W., Rochester, MN 55901

I have a Ward's Powr-Kraft tilting arbor table saw, model no. TMG-333A. It may have been made by the Modern Machine Co. for Ward's. I need various parts after my mother backed over it on her way through the garage wall. Can anyone help? *Kevin Hedgspeth*
911 W. Plumb St., Ransom, IL 60470

I'm looking for plans for a Victorian Dollhouse like the one advertised on page 10 of the July/August 1982 issue of *The Woodworker's Journal*. I wrote to the company but got my letter back. Does anyone have the plans? *Kenneth Burns*
4140 E. Railroad Ave., Cocoa, FL 32926

Could someone help me find plans for a futon bed frame and for waterbed frames? *M.E. Penton*
P.O. Box 284, Gautier, MS 39553

I'd like to find a miter gauge to fit the 3/4 in. wide by 1/8 in. deep channel of an old Companion table saw. Many thanks for any help. *Bob Richard*
9 Oakland St., Medway, MA 02053

I need parts for my Stanley router, no. H258, 3/8 h.p. Does anyone know who sup-

plies parts for the Stanley power tools?
Stanley W. Metz
639 Derstine Rd., Hatfield, PA 19440

I need several parts for a Duro scroll saw, model no. 84-769, purchased over 30 years ago from Ward's. I'm looking for a guide roller, spring hold-down, lower chuck assembly, locking cam and a cam handle. Is there a source for interchangeable parts for outdated tools? *Laborn Hendrix*
2911 W. 15th Ave., Stillwater, OK 74074

I was given an old vise (Massey's no. 17, L G Patent) that is missing the block that locks the vise. It rides on a cam that forces it into a track that runs the full length of the vise. The block also has teeth that mesh with those on the track. On the back of the track are the letters WWR. *Eugene Cooper*
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804510	Sander	79	43
99008	3'x 21" belt sander	198	119
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99248B	3'x 24" b/sander w/bag	214	130
9035	1 1/2" sheet finish sander	79	48
9045B	1 1/2" sheet finish sander	156	90
9045N	1 1/4" sht fin. sander w/bag	158	105
4200N	4 1/8" circ. saw 7.5 amp	152	93
5008NB	8 1/4" circ. saw 13 amp	178	105
5201NA	10 1/4" circ. saw 12 amp	348	215
4300VB	v/sp jig saw 3.5 amp	192	120
4301VB	orb v/sp jig saw 3.5 amp	208	125
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741071-5	6000 (fine) Grdg Whl	43	30

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Model	Description	List	Sale
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1100HD	3 1/4" planer w/case	278	160
3608BK	3 1/4" hp router w/case	132	85
3601B	1 1/8" hp router	168	115
3700B	1 1/2" hp trimmer		
	28,000 rpm	124	82
804530	6" Round Sander	84	48
DA3000	3 1/8" angle drill	158	105
DP4700	1 1/2" v/sp w/rev 4.8 amp	154	92
HP1030W	3 1/8" v.s. hammer drill		
	w/case	145	98
6300LR	1 1/2" angle drill w/rev.	229	152
84198B-2W	1 1/2" s. sp. hammer drill w/case	238	150
GV5000	Disc Sander	79	53
6800DB	2500 rpm 3.5 amp	123	79
6800DBV	0-2500 rpm 3.5 amp	133	89
6801DB	4000 rpm 3.5 amp	123	79
6801DBV	0-4000 rpm 3.5	133	89
2030N	1 1/2" planer/jointer	2160	1475
2040	15 1/8" planer	1780	1195
1805B	6 1/8" hand kit w/case	416	265
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JV2000	var. speed orb. jig saw	165	100
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Model	Length	Cap.	List	Sale
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#4.0	5"	2 1/2"	12.45	8.10
#3.0	6"	3"	13.36	8.50
#2.0	7"	3 1/2"	14.36	8.95
#1.0	8"	4 1/2"	15.97	9.55
#1	10"	6"	18.25	11.35
#2	12"	8 1/2"	20.94	13.60
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5920	belt sander 3x24 w/bag	289	199
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5009	Mortise & Tenon Jig	50	34
351	3" x21" Belt Sander	189	125
352	3" x21" Belt Sndr w/bag	199	115
9810	Cordless Screwdrvr kit	175	115
320	Abrasibe Plane 3A	129	85

Events

We will be glad to list as many events of interest to woodworkers as space permits. Listings are free and may include shows, fairs, competitions, workshops and demonstrations. The issue closing date is the 1st of the 2nd month preceding the cover date (7/1 for September/October; 9/1 for November/December, etc.). Please address announcements to the Events Department.

New England:

Classes at the Brookfield Craft Center include: Woodworking, Sept. 17 - Nov. 5; Woodworking Projects, Oct. 25 - 26. For information, write to the center at P.O. Box 122, Brookfield, CT 06804.

Woodworking World — The New York Show, Sept. 26 - 28, Sheraton Hotel and Towers, Stamford, CT.

The Heartwood Owner-Builder School conducts various classes in woodworking. For Fall schedule, write to the school at Johnson Road, Washington, MA 01235.

Middle Atlantic:

Dr. Tage Frid will be conducting a seminar on making furniture and woodworking jigs, Oct. 18. Contact: Dr. Gabriel Longo, Brookdale Community College, Lincroft, NJ. Phone: (201) 842-1900, ext. 586.

The Hudson Valley Woodcarvers Show will be held Oct. 11 at the Hyde Park Dutch Reformed Church, Hyde Park, NY.

Seminar Oct. 18 on thin-walled hollow form vessels conducted by woodturner David Ellsworth. Upcoming seminars include Windsor Chairmaking, dovetailing, dovetail jigs, and sharpening. For a complete list of seminars and tool demonstrations, write: Olde Mill Cabinet Shoppe, RD 3 Box 547A, York, PA 17402.

East North Central:

Woodworking World — The Chicago Show, Oct. 17 - 19, O'Hare Expo Center, Rosemont, IL.

Chautauqua of the Arts, craft fair and exhibition, Sept. 27 - 28, Madison, IN.

Metro-Detroit Woodworking Show, Sept. 26 - 28, Michigan Exposition and Fairgrounds, Detroit, MI.

American Contemporary Works in Wood national juried exhibition, Sept. 13 - Oct. 12, at the Dairy Barn Southeastern Ohio Cultural Arts Center, Athens, OH.

The Working With Wood Show, Sept. 19 - 21, Dayton Convention Center, Dayton, OH. For information, call: (408) 973-0447.

West North Central:

Twin Cities Woodworking Show, Oct. 11 - 12, Minneapolis Auditorium and Convention Hall, Minneapolis, MN.

The Woodworkers' Store, Minneapolis, MN will be conducting workshops in Sharpening,

Veneering, and Marquetry during October. Call (612) 822-3338.

South Atlantic:

Application deadline for a juried craft show in Washington, DC sponsored by the Smithsonian Institute is Oct. 10. For entry forms, call (202) 357-4000.

The Creative Arts Guild's 23rd Festival of the Arts and Crafts, Sept. 27 - 28, Dalton, GA.

A Country Fair Weekend sponsored by the Baltimore Museum of Art and the Maryland Historical Society, Oct. 10 - 12 at the Baltimore Convention Center.

The Southern Highland Handicraft Guild's 39th Annual Fair, Oct. 17 - 19, Asheville Civic Center, Asheville, NC.

Course in functional and sculptural woodworking, instructor Jon Wood, Oct. 6 - Nov. 28. Write to the Penland School, Penland, NC 28765-0037. Phone: (704) 765-2359.

The Waterford Foundation's Homes Tour and Crafts Fair, Oct. 3 - 5, Waterford, VA.

East South Central:

Competition sponsored by the LoHo Gallery: "Build a Better Box" for boxes crafted in any medium. Open to residents of KY, IN, OH, IL, WV, MI, PA. Deadline for entries Sept. 22 - 29. Exhibit Oct. 6 - Nov. 6. Write: LoHo Ltd., 414 Baxter Ave., Louisville, KY 40204.

Mountain:

The Working With Wood Show, Oct. 24 - 26, Phoenix Civic Plaza, Phoenix, AZ. For information, call: (408) 973-0447.

"The Art of Crafts" — Denver Art Museum's 3rd Annual juried sale and exhibition, Sept. 26 - 28, Denver, CO.

Pacific:

The Oregon School of Arts & Crafts conducts Individualized Study Programs in Woodworking. For information, contact Jeffrey McCaffrey, 8245 S.W. Barnes Rd., Portland, OR 97225. Phone: (503) 297-5544.

Handmade Furniture Show sponsored by the World Forestry Center, Oct. 25 - 26, Portland, OR.

The Western Washington Woodworking Show, Oct. 31 - Nov. 2, Seattle Center, Exposition Hall, Seattle, WA.



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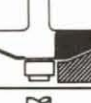
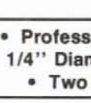
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Workshop Income

Are Your Prices Competitive?

By Brian T. Jefferson

The first step in determining overall market competition is to do a survey of what similar products are selling for. What you want to determine is the average sales price for a product similar to the one you are making.

Let's take wooden toys as an example. If you make a small wooden car and your research indicates that the average retail price for the same size and quality car is \$6, that is your market price.

Your research should answer one question: Can you produce an equal product at the current retail selling price and make a profit? Keep in mind that most new product ideas never make it to the marketplace, so it's better to find out in the initial stages than after you have invested thousands of dollars.

How do you find out if you can make an item at a profit, assuming you sell it at the current retail price? You first figure out what it costs you to make the item, using the formula: Direct Cost plus Indirect Costs plus Labor equal Production Cost. Again, the wooden toy car is used as an example.

Computing Direct Costs

Begin by listing all the materials used to produce the car:

Wood	21¢
Wheels (4)	20¢
Dowels (for axles)	10¢
Sandpaper	2¢
String	6¢
Varnish	1¢
Total	60¢

The additional costs all come under the heading of overhead, or indirect costs, and include such things as: electricity, heat, office expenses, rent, advertising, travel, etc., and they can really add up.

Indirect Costs

A sample listing of the overhead expenses for a year might look like this:

Utilities	\$ 1,200
Mortgage	5,400
Office Supplies	300
Advertising	2,000
Insurance	500
Taxes	2,800
Depreciation	1,200
Professional Services	450
Transportation	1,100
Meals away from home	1,200

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Computing Labor Costs

The next step is to add labor costs to indirect costs to determine total operating costs per year.

Let's assume that our toymaker works 2,000 hours a year (40 hours per week for 50 weeks). His annual salary is \$20,000, so his hourly wage is \$10.

Adding the yearly indirect costs (\$17,700) and the annual salary (\$20,000), we get a yearly operating expense of \$37,700. Dividing that by the number of hours worked, we see that it is costing our toymaker \$18.85 an hour to stay in business. He can make 9 cars an hour, so each car is costing him \$2.10 in operating costs. (In actuality, our toymaker can complete 12 cars an hour, but he knows from his records that 1/4 of his studio time is devoted to non-production activities, such as packing, buying supplies, etc. He, therefore, multiplies his actual hourly production by .75 to get a more realistic production count.) If we add material costs of \$.60 per car, we get a total production cost of \$2.70 per car.

Our goal here is determining market profitability. Based on the analysis of the wooden car's production cost of \$2.70 and a retail sales price of \$6, the indication would be that this

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is a profitable item, at least in the retail market (remember that selling costs have not been computed yet). Obviously, this is a simplified version because you need to do a cost analysis of each item in your inventory to determine the profitability of your product line. But the process is the same as used in the car example.

What happens if some or all of your items are so expensive to make that you cannot sell them at the going rate and still make a profit? You have two choices: either don't make those items or reduce your production costs so that the items will be competitive and profitable. You may be able to buy your materials at a more reasonable cost, increase your production efficiency or lower your indirect costs, or . . .

You'll be able to figure that all out for yourself. Just be honest with the figures you use. It doesn't matter how long you have been a craftsman, you should always do a market price analysis for each new product you develop. You should know before you start production of any item whether or not it can compete effectively in the marketplace.

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W100 1"	\$6.00/100	1434 1/2"	\$1.76/100	406 Self Fastening	\$4.77/100
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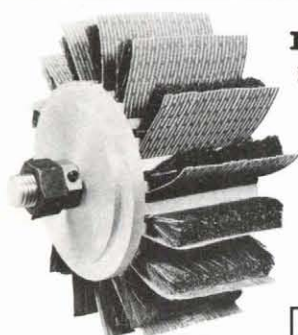
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Restoring a Rosewood Chair

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I recently had the pleasure of repairing and restoring an antique Oriental rosewood chair. The chair is armless, with a straight back, and made of Asian rosewood. It is probably of Chinese origin — I'd guess Hong Kong or Shanghai as it is heavily built and not very graceful. It is typical of other chairs that I have restored that were undoubtedly Chinese.

All joints in the chair are pegged mortise and tenon, but the designer used poor judgment in the layout of the tenons in relation to the grain of the wood, and that created some problems. This was especially true in the tenons on the ends of the curved seat rails. The grain crosses the tenons at a sharp angle which makes an inherently weak joint (see Fig. 1). As a result, nearly all of the tenons in the seat rails of this chair had broken off. Also, one of the side seat rails was missing. Apparently the tenons on both ends had broken off and consequently this member had been lost.

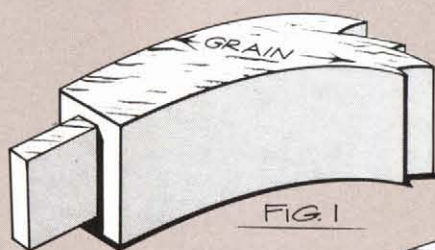


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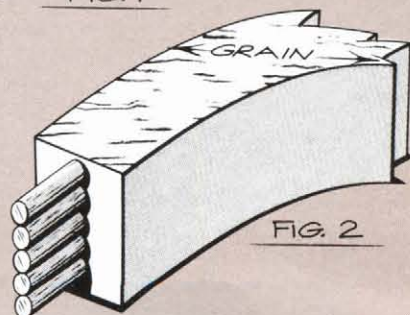


FIG. 2

Although the tenon design is not perfect, it probably served well in the environment within which the chair was originally constructed, one in which the humidity was quite high and reasonably stable. Wood, in its natural state, contains comparatively large amounts of moisture and retains upwards of 6 to 10 percent of that moisture even after being kiln dried and allowed to stabilize to ambient conditions. However, the environment of modern dwellings has a

detrimental effect on wooden furniture, especially antique furniture that has spent most of its life in conditions of higher humidity. After a few months in a modern home the wood dries, often changes shape and, over a period of time, becomes brittle. Oriental rosewood seems especially vulnerable to these conditions.

The owner did not wish to invest the time and money to obtain Asian rosewood to make a replacement side seat rail. Consequently, I band sawed a rail from a piece of well seasoned, hard yellow pine with a grain that approximated the other chair members. As it turned out, this was inconsequential as the finish all but obscured the grain of the wood. This plain pine rail restored the structural integrity of the chair and satisfied the owner's request for as economical a restoration as possible.

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The seat rails with the broken tenons presented another kind of problem. Because the wood was so brittle, it didn't seem feasible to mortise the end of the seat rail and replace the tenon with a plywood spline. Instead I decided to use several dowels side by side (Fig. 2). The holes for these dowels were drilled one at a time and a dowel glued in with epoxy. First though, I carefully washed out the hole with lacquer thinner. Rosewood is a very oily wood and to make a strong joint it is necessary to remove this oil from the surface layer of wood cells. Each glued dowel was allowed to dry for 24 hours before the next hole was drilled. This procedure preserved the structural integrity of the weak, brittle wood and prevented the possibility of the walls of the holes collapsing. Making a large square mortise or drilling all of the dowel holes at one time would have been a very risky venture. Consequently, this procedure extended over several days but, as I learned long ago, patience is a virtue when you restore antique furniture.

Reassembly was done using epoxy mixed with wood dust from the disk sander to make a paste just thick enough to act as a filler. To insure a good bond, all surfaces were washed with lacquer thinner and then coated with a thin cover of pure epoxy. Each rebuilt tenon was then covered with enough epoxy paste to fill the vacant spaces for a good strong joint. A thorough cleanup job was done before the epoxy set up, so that it would not be necessary to completely refinish the chair.

After the epoxy had hardened (about 24 hours later), any extra glue was shaped to a proper contour with sharp chisels and very fine sandpaper. This work was necessary only in those areas at and near the joints. For the most part, the chair was left as is. The new seat rail was stained to match the color of the chair and then sprayed with a tinted lacquer. A very small sable brush was used to touch up other areas that had suffered during the restoration or from previous hard usage. This was followed with a rubdown using 0000 steel wool and a good carnauba based furniture wax. Final polishing with a soft cloth left a lovely, soft, glowing patina.

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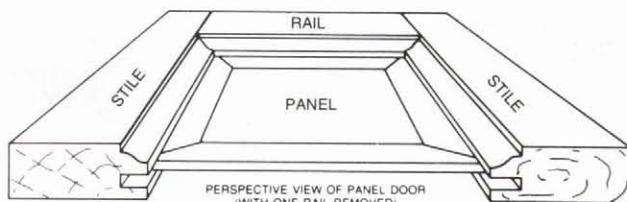
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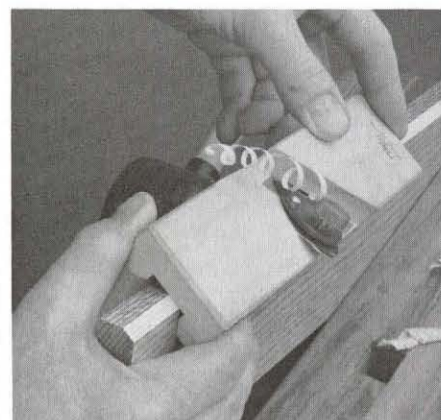
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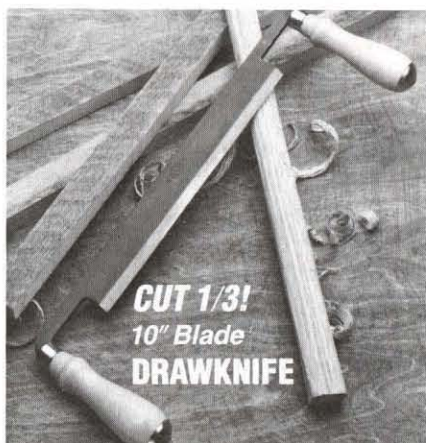
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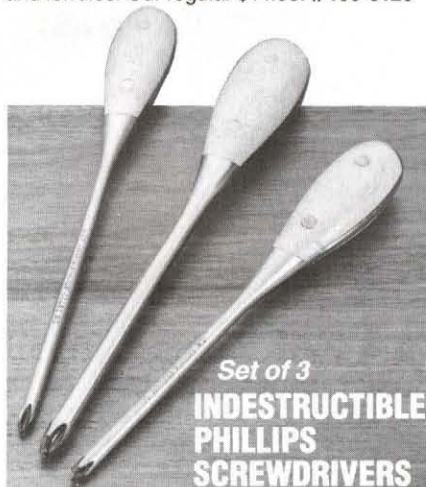
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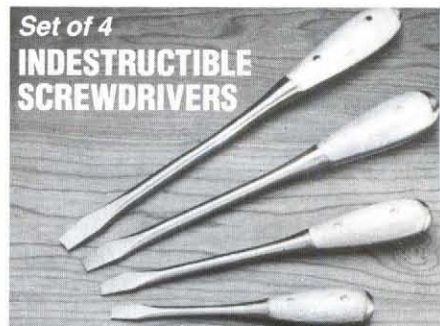
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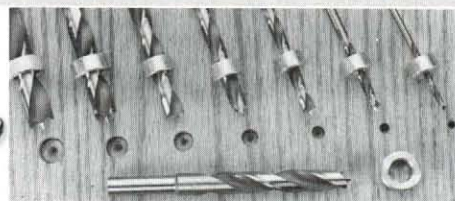
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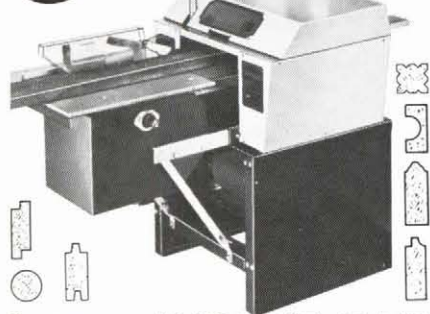
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Basic Router Operations

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Router bits depend on speed to cut, and consequently most routers turn in excess of 22,000 revolutions per minute (rpms). In order to maintain optimum cutting speed, the router must be carefully controlled. Knowing the correct direction in which to "feed" the router, and the proper speed at which to advance it are the two keys to clean and accurate cutting. Of course, elements such as bit characteristics, size, sharpness and condition, plus the type of cut, amount of stock removed, species of wood and grain direction will all impact on the router's operation.

It is for these reasons that the router, more than any other power tool, is a device for which you must develop an

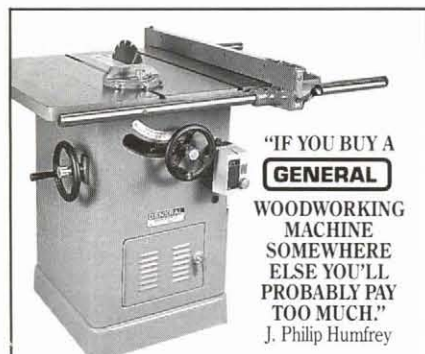
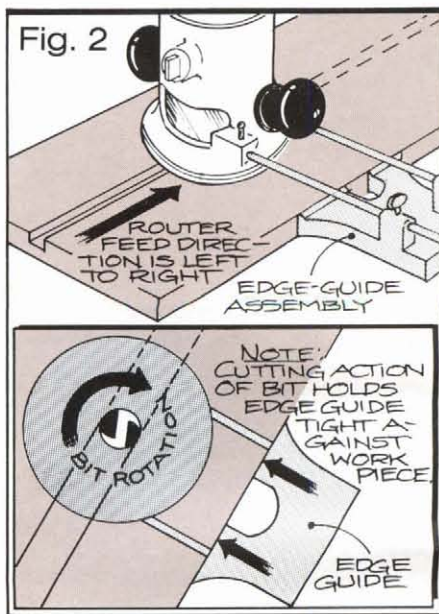
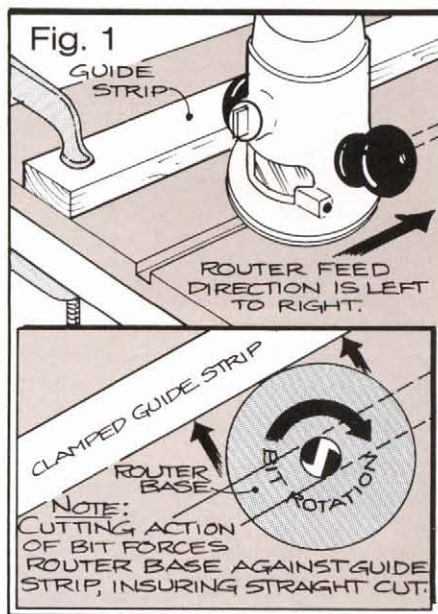
instinct or "feel". After many uses, you will develop the ability to correctly vary the pressure and the rate of speed according to the type of wood being used and the specific requirements of an operation, resulting in the cleanest possible cut. If you are unfamiliar with a particular router bit or operation, several test cuts in a piece of scrap wood will serve as valuable practice.

Although there is no substitute for hands-on experience, an explanation and understanding of the concepts behind both the direction of feed and the speed with which the router is advanced are essential.

Feed Direction

The best advice when routing either freehand or with a guide is to feed (advance) the router so the cutter tends to pull itself into the work. The bit always rotates in a clockwise direction when viewed from above the router, and feeding the router in a direction *against* the rotation of the bit will encourage the pulling tendency of the cutter. Since this may sound a little complicated, you may wish to refer to the following illustrations for a clearer understanding. Remember, the feed direction of the router is used to counter the force of the bit rotation.

With A Guide Strip: Fig. 1 shows the router being used with a clamped guide strip to cut a groove. Note that the



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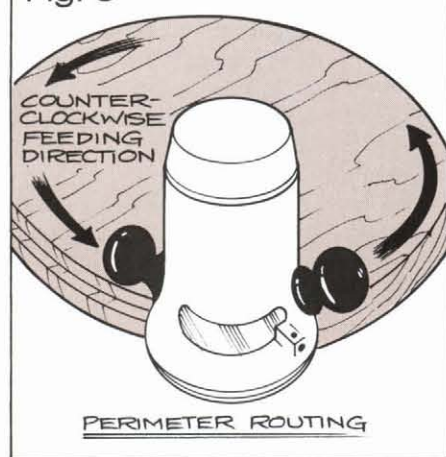


router is moved from left to right. This insures that the bit rotation holds the router base tight against the guide strip.

With The Edge-Guide: Fig. 2 shows the router being used in conjunction with the edge-guide attachment to rout a groove. As illustrated, by again feeding the router from left to right, the cutting action of the bit is utilized to help control the router, this time by forcing the edge-guide attachment up tight against the board edge.

Perimeter Routing: As a general rule of thumb, when edge-routing around an outside perimeter, either with the

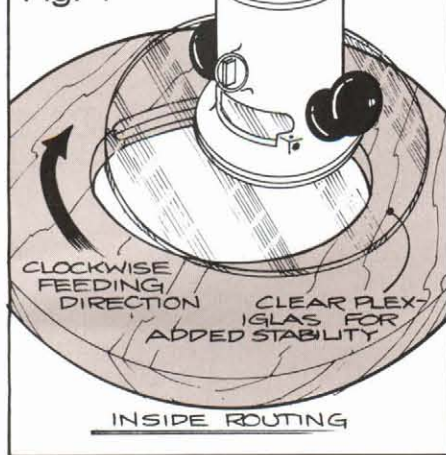
Fig. 3



edge-guide or with a piloted or ball bearing guided bit, feed the router in a counterclockwise direction (Fig. 3).

When edge-routing an inside opening as shown in Fig. 4, you must move the router in a clockwise direction around the inside perimeter. With some router operations, such as routing wide recesses, the clear sub-

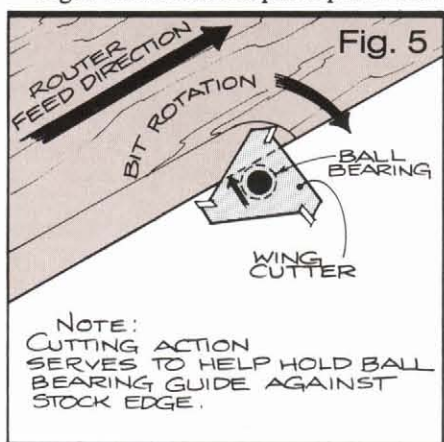
Fig. 4



base seen in Fig. 4 can provide the router with much needed additional stability. Remove the existing base

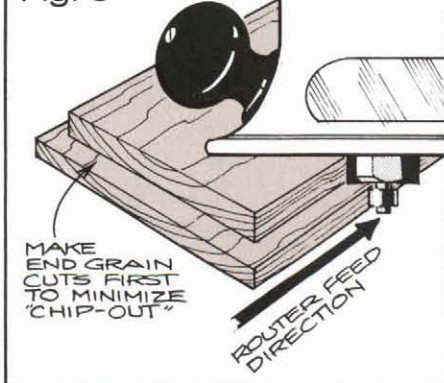
plate and replace it with an extra wide base cut from $\frac{1}{4}$ in. thick acrylic sheet (Plexiglas). The base can be sized as needed to span the recess or opening. Be sure to countersink the mounting screw holes in the Plexiglas base.

Fig. 5 illustrates the principle of how



the cutting action of the bit works to help control the router. Whether you are using a piloted or bearing-guided bit, an edge guide, or a guide bushing, and whether you are making an inside or an outside perimeter cut, this principle of the force of the bit helping to hold the router on line is the same. If you reversed the direction of the router, the bit would tend to grab and run the router along the edge while simultaneously throwing it out and away from the workpiece. This is why router direction is so important. *Tip:* When edge-routing around square or

Fig. 6



rectangular boards, it is best to make end or cross-grain cuts first (Fig. 6). With this sequence the side cuts (with the grain) will serve to clean up any chip out or splintering in the corners.

Keep in mind that the general rules for feed direction are exactly that — general. With specialized operations or freehand routing, it is often necessary

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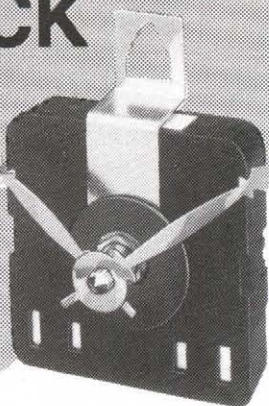
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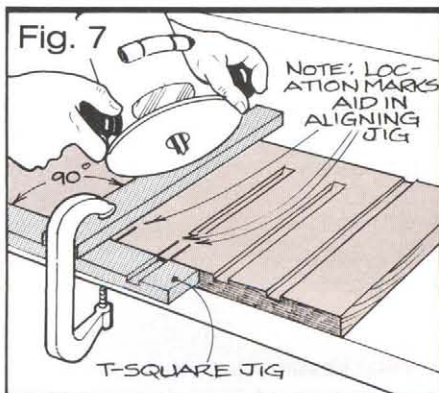
to rout in many directions. With some cuts, for instance, the bulk of the material will be removed by feeding the router in one direction, while a final cut to the line to clean up the cut will be made in the opposite direction.

Feed Rate

The rate of feed or the speed with which the router is advanced is determined by the power of the router, the species of wood, the bit characteristics, and the amount of material to be removed. The ideal rate of feed is that which is not so fast that it labors the router or results in too rough a cut, and not so slow that the bit burns or burnishes the wood. Except with the smallest cutters, there should be a slight constant load on the motor. When using large bits or attempting to remove considerable stock, several depth adjustments and/or passes with the router will be necessary. Attempting to force a bit could result in the bit snapping off or breaking. With experience, you will gain confidence in the various types of router operations, and in the use of the many different available router bits. Since, as noted earlier, so many variables can impact on any one cut or operation, the best advice is to practice in order to develop the confidence that enables the experienced woodworker to know by the sound and feel of the router what is right.

Common Router Operations

The router can be used for many of the same operations that might otherwise be done on the table saw. Its small size, light weight and maneuverability make it particularly useful when work-

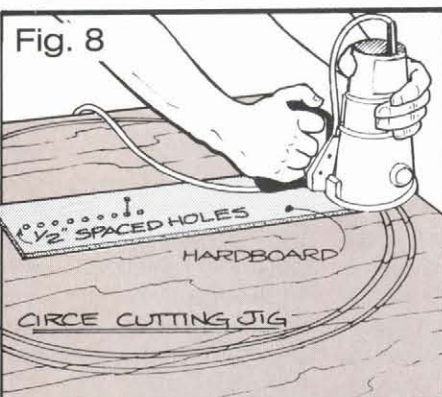


ing on large boards that might be awkward, unwieldy or possibly unsafe to handle on the table saw. Many woodworkers prefer the router for its convenience and its relative safety. Additionally, router operations can be controlled to achieve an accuracy not

obtainable with larger tools.

Two frequently used router accessories are the T-square and circle or trammel jigs. Although these can be purchased, it is just as easy to make them in the shop. Fig. 7 shows a shop-built T-square jig being used to rout dadoes. Note how the cut is made through the head of the "T". This helps in positioning the T-square for succeeding cuts. If the length of the "T" leg exceeds 12 in., clamp it at both ends for stability. The T-square is most often used for making dadoes and other cross-grain cuts.

Fig. 8 shows a shop-built circle cutting jig, which is just a section of hardboard (Masonite) to which the router base is secured. A nail serves as the pivot point. Make two circle cutting jigs, a short one for small circles, and a long one for larger circles. With the



large jig, locate and pre-drill holes at $\frac{1}{2}$ in. intervals for the nail pivot. This will enable you to cut different sized circles in one inch increments.

Accessories

The most used router accessory is the edge-guide, which is used to make grooves and dadoes, mold edges, and make decorative cuts parallel to or along the edge of the work. Fig. 2 shows the edge-guide being used. You may wish to screw extension strips to the edge-guide to lengthen the contact area and thereby provide the router with additional stability. Other popular router accessories include the slot cutting guide, which is used to rout parallel grooves, and the guide bushing set.

Guide bushing accessories enable the router to be used with various templates (either commercial or shop-made) to reproduce identical parts, or to make exact duplicate cuts again and again. Templates are especially important when making items on a production basis. Fig. 9 illustrates how the router is

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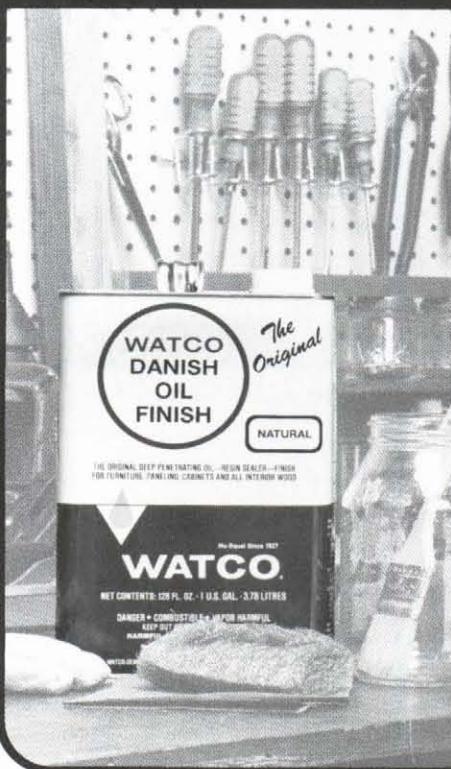
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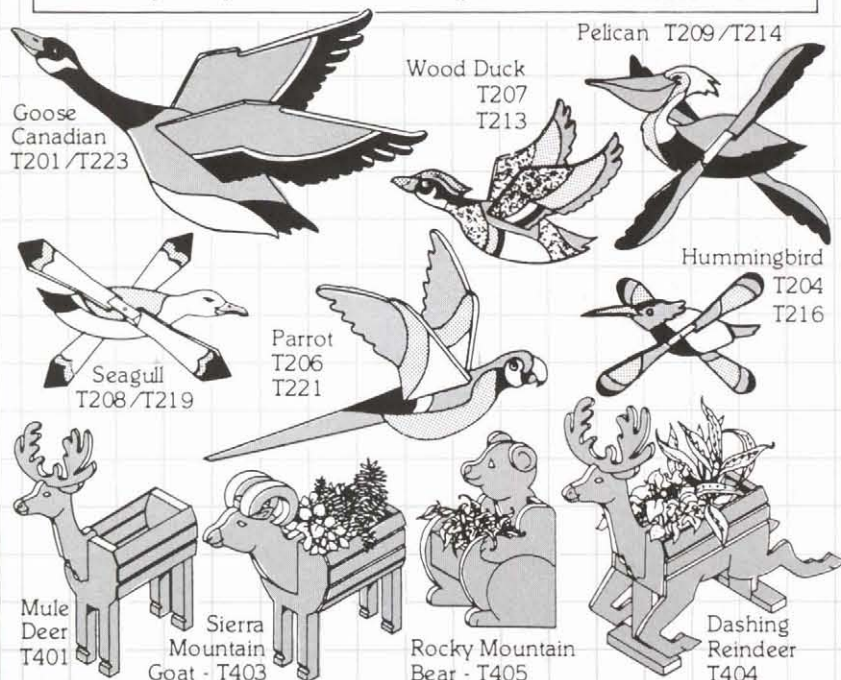
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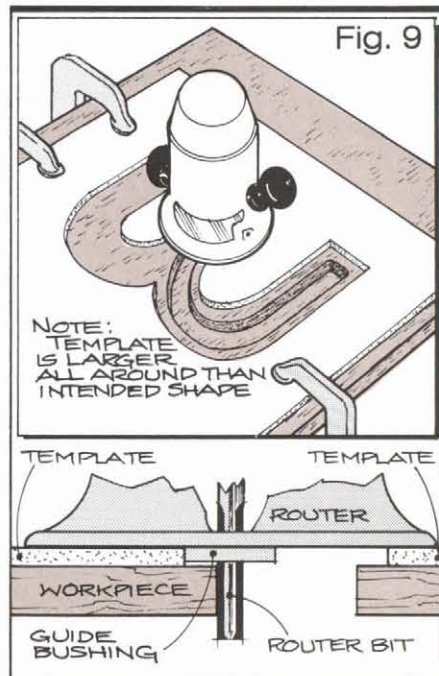
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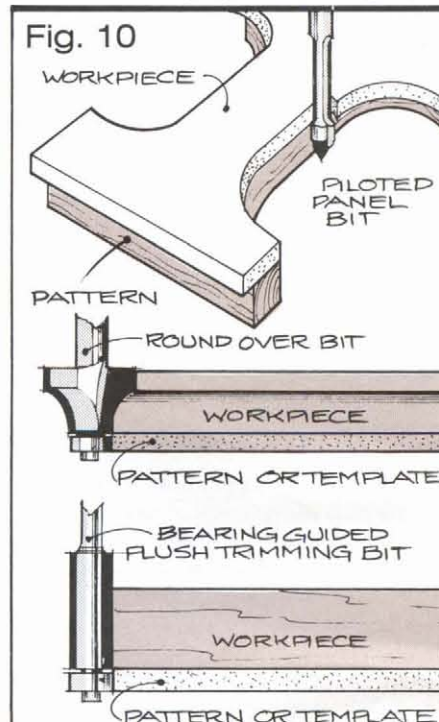


used with a template, and includes a cross-sectional view detailing the template, bit and guide bushing. The size or diameter of the router bit will determine the size of the guide bushing,



which in turn will determine how much larger all around the template must be made to achieve the desired final cut. Although you may purchase letter and number template sets, making your own templates can open up an infinite number of creative possibilities and applications for the router.

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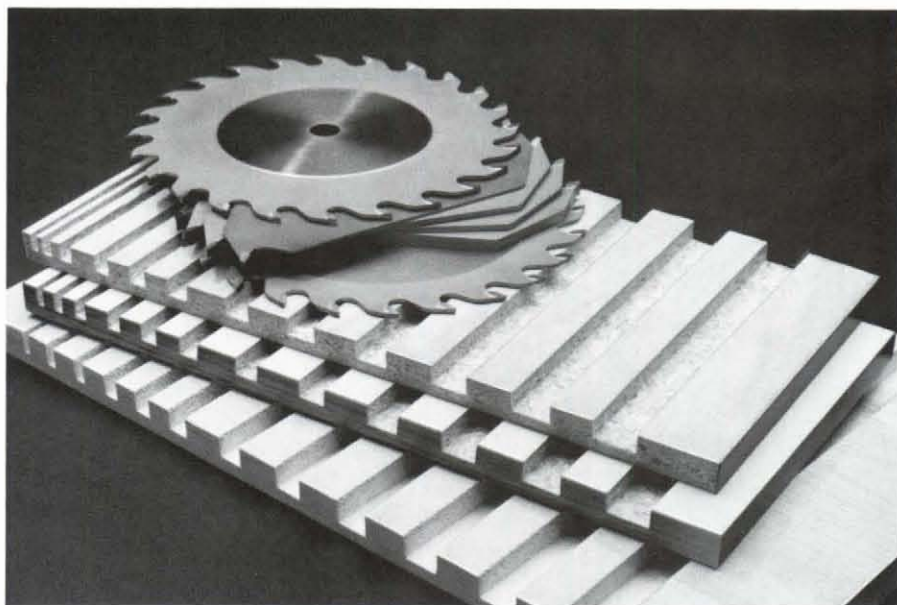
molding bits, straight trimming bits, and panel cutting bits can also be used in conjunction with pre-made patterns. Fig. 10 shows various applications. Remember that with these bits, the pattern or template is made the same size as the finished piece.

Dovetail cutting fixtures are without doubt one of the most often purchased router accessories. These fixtures are essentially guides enabling the router to cut accurately spaced mating tails and pins. The less expensive dovetail fixtures are not adjustable and provide a pattern for cutting only one size dovetail. The better fixtures are adjustable, and although they too are nothing more than a pattern, their adjustable feature permits the user to creatively space the dovetails, and alter their size to imitate the "hand cut" look. Upon purchasing a commercial dovetail fixture, thoroughly read the manufacturer's instructions, since different fixtures will have different directions. It is advisable to first become familiar with the fixture by testing it out on some scrap wood before committing it to your project stock.

Conclusion

There can be little doubt as to why the router has so quickly become one of the two most popular woodworking tools, second only to the table saw. Tremendous versatility means that it can be used for everything from cutting dados, rabbets and grooves in basic carcass construction, to making dovetails for boxes or drawers, to routing letters and repetitive carving with templates, to freehand and purely creative uses. It can cut and mold circles and irregular shapes, mortise, rout recesses, dress up ordinary pieces with a lovely decorative edge, rout for inlays and inserts, chamfer, incise, mold and even cut spline grooves. The various accessories, dovetail fixtures, guides, bushings, bearing-guided and piloted bits all contribute their share of possibilities. Special laminate bits enable the router to be used for work with plastic laminates, and the powerful plunge routers open up even more creative opportunities. There are special jigs and fixtures — among them the pantograph and router lathe — which can be used for duplicate carving, fluting, threading, and other unusual applications. Indeed, woodworkers seem to be forever dreaming up new and unique uses for their routers. *W&J*

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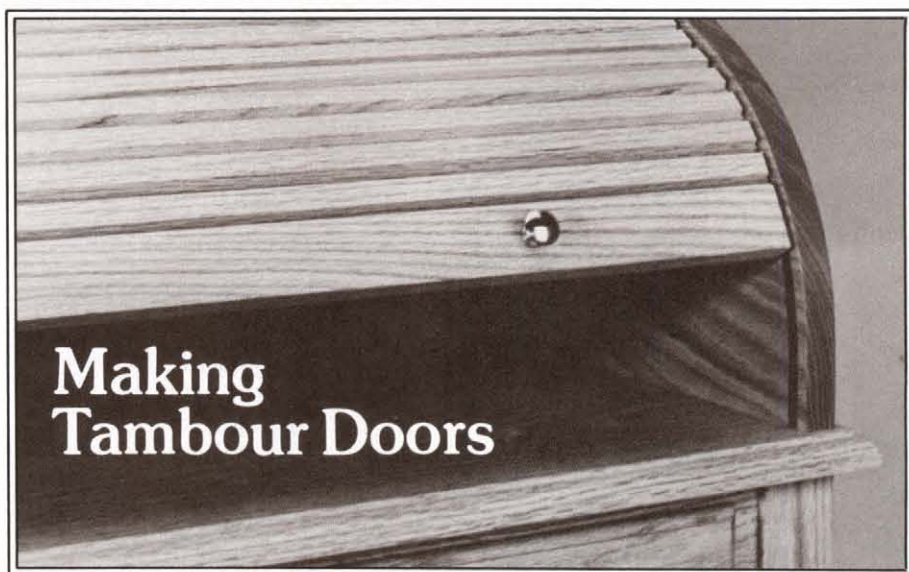
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The key words, of course, are "well-fitted". Trying to deal with a tambour that is too tight, too loose, or warped, and that consequently catches, sticks, drags, jams sideways, gets frozen in place, or pops out of its grooves is infinitely frustrating. Although the tambour has been widely used in many different types of furniture ever since its origin in 17th century France, it is every bit as fickle now as it was then. Getting the tambour door right requires careful planning and attention to detail.

Design

There are two specific types of tambour construction: that which is joined by wires, and the fabric backed variety. Although the wired style allows the back of the tambour to be exposed, the fabric backed tambour is better suited to home workshop construction, and we will concentrate on this. The illustrations that accompany this article show the tambour top of the rolltop desk project starting on page 32.

The design of the piece of furniture, the size and shape of the individual tambours, and the size, depth, profile

and curve or radius of the tracking groove are all critical elements whose interdependent nature requires that each be precisely worked out and developed with respect to the other.

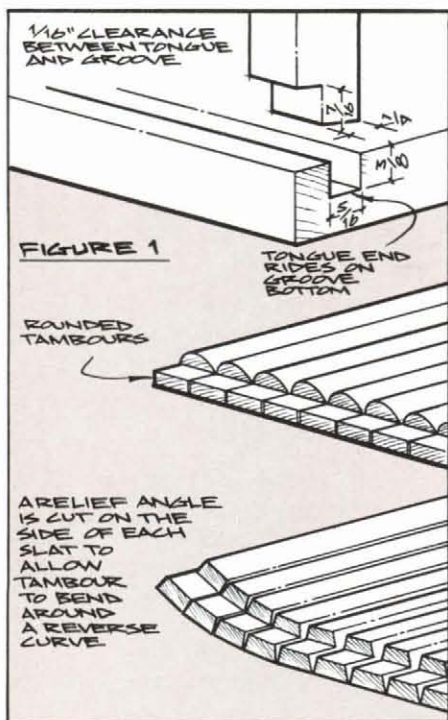
The Carcase

A strong, stable, well constructed carcase is important since the parts into which the tambour grooves are cut must be absolutely rigid and parallel. Remember that you will probably have to design in a false back (or sides for a vertical tambour) both to isolate the tambour from the contents of the case, and to conceal the fabric side from view when the tambour is open.

The Tracking Grooves

The tracking grooves must be laid out with respect to the radius that the tambour can make without binding. The groove must also be laid out so that the length of the tambour when closed fills the required space, and yet retracts as needed when opened. You will note the tambour groove in the desk is laid out so that, when open, the tambour stops one tambour slat shy of the handle. When laying out for the groove one must also consider the weight of the tambour. The groove should at least partially balance the tambour weight between opening and closing, so the tambour does not fall back down when fully opened or require too great an effort to control while opening or closing.

As a general rule for size, tracking grooves should fall within a range



from $\frac{3}{16}$ in. to $\frac{3}{8}$ in. wide, with the depth dimension usually slightly greater than the width. The groove for the desk is $\frac{3}{8}$ in. deep by $\frac{3}{16}$ in. wide.

The Tambours

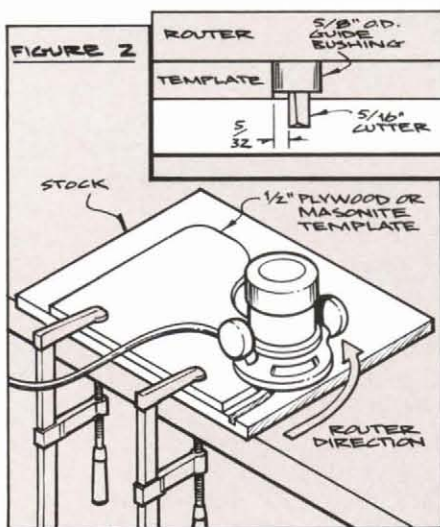
The individual tambours can be made in a variety of shapes, from purely rectangular to half round. The shape of the tambours will be dictated by the general design of the piece, and by factors such as whether or not a reverse curve has been incorporated into the tracking groove. If such is the case, the tambours must have a relief cut on either side sufficient to accommodate whatever the reverse curve may be.

Nearly all tambours are made with a shoulder on the exposed side which serves to conceal the tracking groove. The tambour tongue is typically rectangular or slightly wider than it is thick. Fig. 1 shows various tambours and a detail of a tracking groove. The final tambour length is just slightly less than the actual groove-to-groove dimension. Although on the desk we show a $33\frac{3}{4}$ in. total tambour length, the actual length will be about $\frac{1}{32}$ in. less to provide clearance. The tambour shoulders are $\frac{1}{16}$ in. providing $\frac{1}{16}$ in. clearance on either side so the shoulders do not scuff the inside of the case sides. The tambour tongue thickness of $\frac{1}{4}$ in. allows the tambour to pass freely through the various curves in the $\frac{3}{16}$ in. wide tracking groove.

Although many simple tambours can be worked out on paper, we strongly recommend making test mock-ups of any unusual or tightly radiused designs. The mock-up need only be of a small section, but it will insure that the design is feasible. After the carcass has been built, it is too late for a design flaw discovery. We used a mock-up to first test the tambours in the desk.

Routing the Tracking Grooves

After laying out your design, you will need to construct a template as a guide in making the tracking groove. Size the template to accommodate a specific guide bushing and the bit you will use. As shown in Fig. 2, our $\frac{1}{2}$ in. thick plywood template is sized $\frac{5}{32}$ in. smaller than the inside groove profile and is used with a $\frac{5}{8}$ outside diameter guide bushing and the $\frac{3}{16}$ in. diameter



straight cutter. As you will note from the Fig. 2 illustration, the router is moved *counterclockwise* around the perimeter of the template. Naturally, for the opposite or left side groove, the counterclockwise router motion must start at the *back end* of the tracking groove. Also note that we rout the tracking groove *before* cutting the carcass sides to shape. This way the final profile of the sides can be cut exactly parallel to the tracking grooves. Remember, make your plywood or Masonite template very carefully, since the tracking grooves will ultimately reflect every little hump or inconsistency in the template. The template must be accurately located and clamped to the sides so that both tracking grooves are exact mirror images of each other and precisely parallel to one and other.

Since it is best that the actual router cuts be as smooth as possible, you do not want to hog out too much stock or labor the router. We used four depth settings to achieve our final $\frac{3}{8}$ in. tracking groove depth.

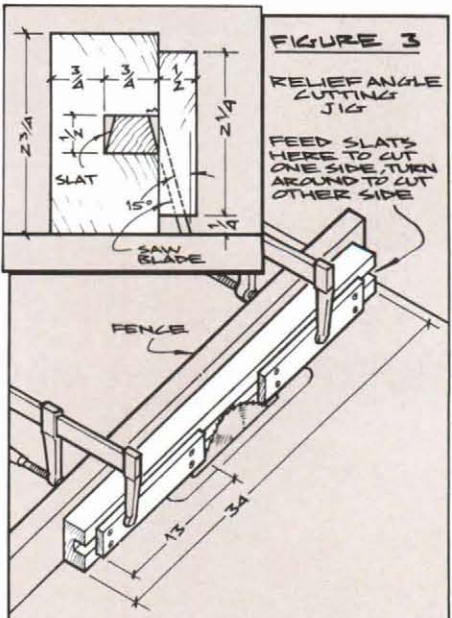
Once the routing is complete, a dowel wrapped with sandpaper can be used to clean out and smooth the grooves. Prefinish the inside surfaces, wax the grooves with paraffin, and assemble the case *before* making the individual tambours. Make certain that *no* glue gets into the grooves, of course.

Making the Tambours

Start with the tambours somewhat longer and wider than the intended final length. We recommend cutting about 30 percent more tambours than you actually require, since some will inevitably have to be discarded due to warping.

After flattening and milling stock to achieve final tambour thickness, allow the boards from which you will rip the individual tambours to acclimate. Then rip the tambours to final width, sticker, and allow to dry for at least 24 hours. Discard any pieces that have warped, twisted, or are otherwise no longer straight.

Since our tracking groove incorporates a reverse curve, the tambours must have a relief angle cut into their sides. Although a router or shaper can be used for this, we chose the table saw. Fig. 3 shows a table saw jig for cutting this relief angle. Note that the saw blade must be set at a 15-degree



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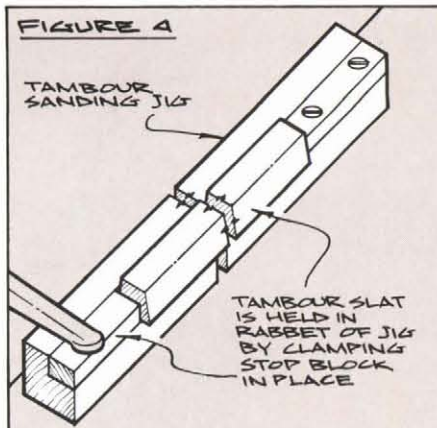
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angle, the jig clamped to the saw table, and the blade then raised up slightly into the jig. Slide the tambour through to cut the first side, then reverse it and pass through to cut the opposite side. A second jig (Fig. 4) is made to hold each tambour for final sanding. Sand only the sides, since the face will be sanded after tambour glue-up.

Now make a gluing fixture to hold the tambours in place while the fabric or canvas backing is applied to their back side. Our jig (Fig. 5) is made on a particleboard base. The rabbeted side boards must be positioned to hold the tambours tightly. Cut three end pieces the same thickness as the tambours to fit under the rabbet, and also cut a number of wedges, as shown. If your handle is to be glued up on the canvas, make provisions for it. Our handle is applied after, thereby simplifying the glue-up.

Wax the end pieces as indicated, wedge the tambours up tight, and screw the rabbeted side pieces down securely to hold them flush.

Next, apply the fabric back. We used 10 oz. art canvas, sold at most art supply stores. The canvas is sized to come up at least ⅜ in. short of either carcass side and should overhang several inches on the either end. The extra canvas at the front is needed to apply the handle section. We used melt-type hide glue, since it thickens quickly. Start at one end, positioning and lining up the canvas and tacking it to the end piece. Now brush the hot glue over the first section of three or four tambours, making certain coverage is complete. Press the canvas in place, using a block of wood to work out from the center, smoothing the canvas parallel to the tambours. Peel the canvas back slightly to expose the glue line, then brush glue onto the next three or four tambours, overlapping

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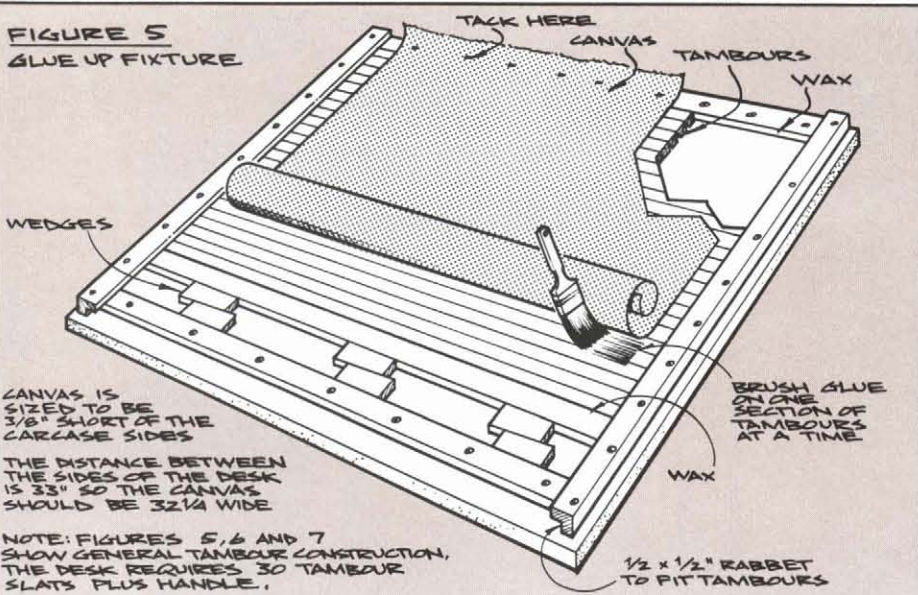
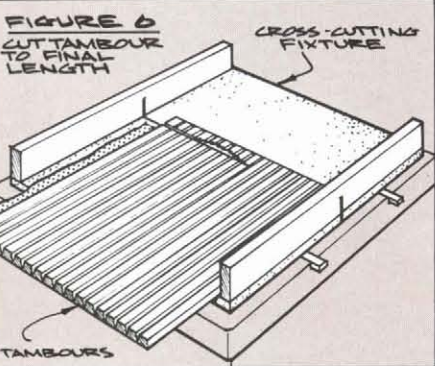


FIGURE 6
CUT TAMBOUR TO FINAL LENGTH



the glue to insure total coverage. Continue this process until all the tambours are canvased over. Do not stretch the canvas perpendicular to the tambours. Also, do not brush glue on or work the canvas smooth perpendicular to the tambours, as this will tend to force the glue between the individual tambours. Allow the tambour to dry overnight in the glue-up fixture before removing it.

When completely dry, measure the groove-to-groove distance (narrowest point) and cut the tambour to final length on the table saw using the crosscutting fixture shown in Fig. 6. Next, clamp the tambour end that overhangs the table saw (Fig. 7A), set the blade depth, and establish the tongue shoulders as illustrated in Fig. 7B. The waste is cleaned out using the router, a straight bit, and the edgeguide. A sanding block is used to final sand and smooth the tambour tongue.

Test fit and adjust the tambour as necessary. Remember, the tambour shoulder should not rub on the case.

Last of all, make the handle. A variety of handle designs are accep-

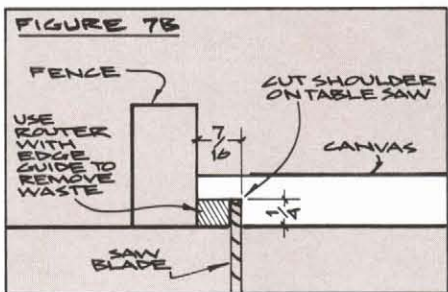
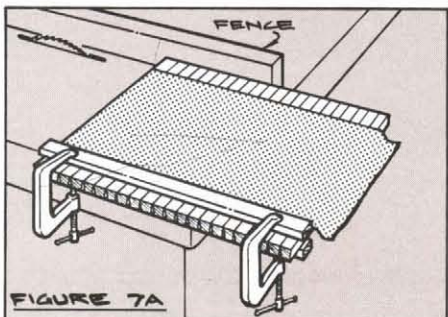


table. Some are applied while others feature a shaped or extended end tambour serving as a pull. Our handle, which is applied, utilizes a rabbet to conceal the canvas and accept a backing strip. The backing strip actually sandwiches the canvas in the handle rabbet. Location dowels in either end of the handle ride in the tracking grooves to keep it on line. Details of the handle appear in the desk project article.

Using paraffin, wax both the tambour tongues and the tracking grooves before final assembly. Final finish must also be applied before the tambour is mounted. It is best to leave the canvas unfinished for maximum life and flexibility.

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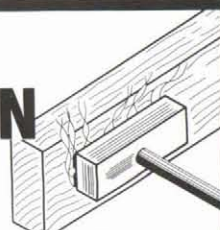
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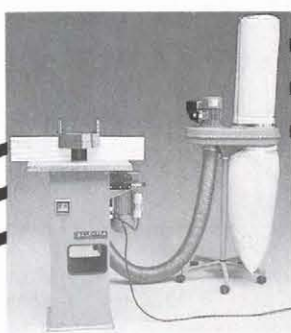
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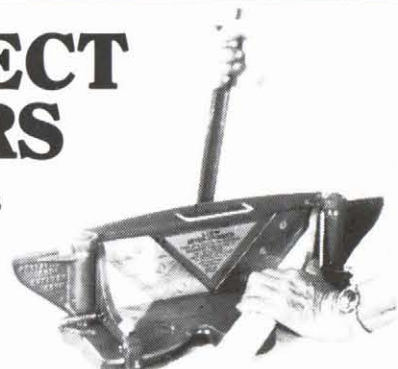


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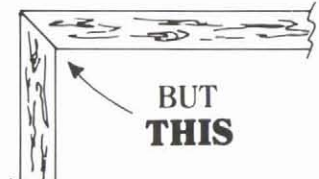
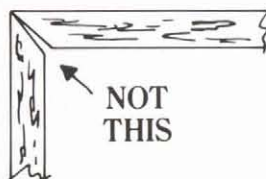
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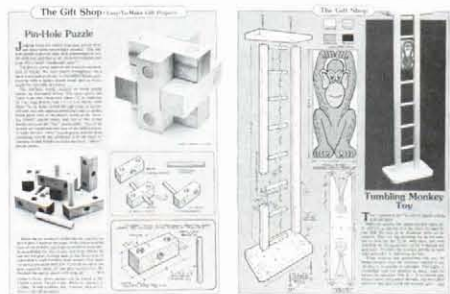
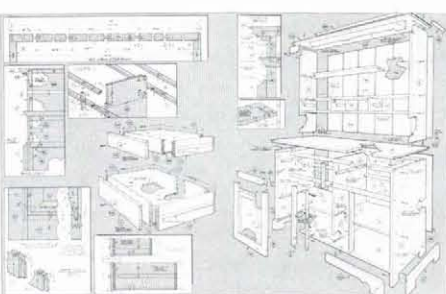
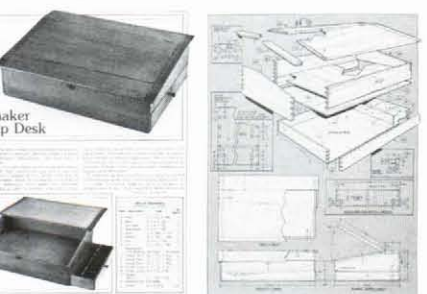
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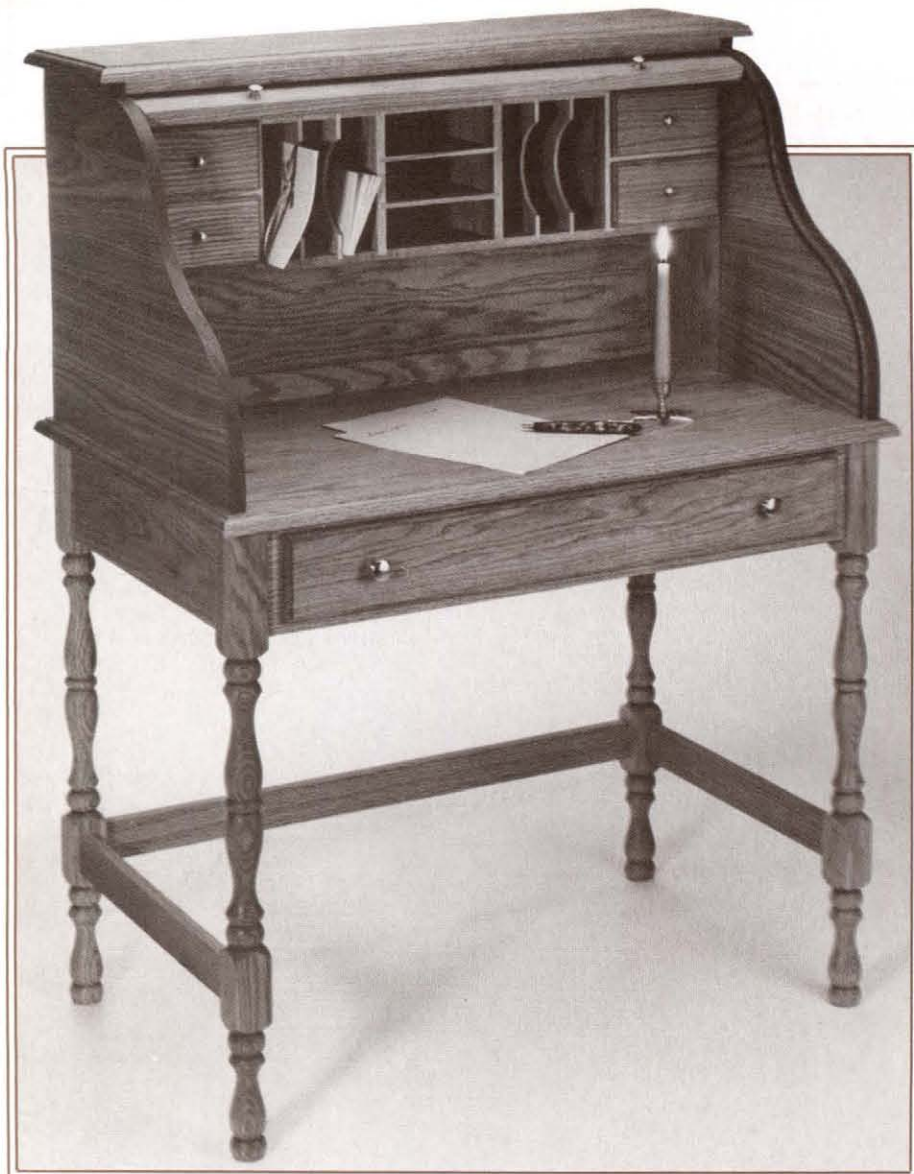
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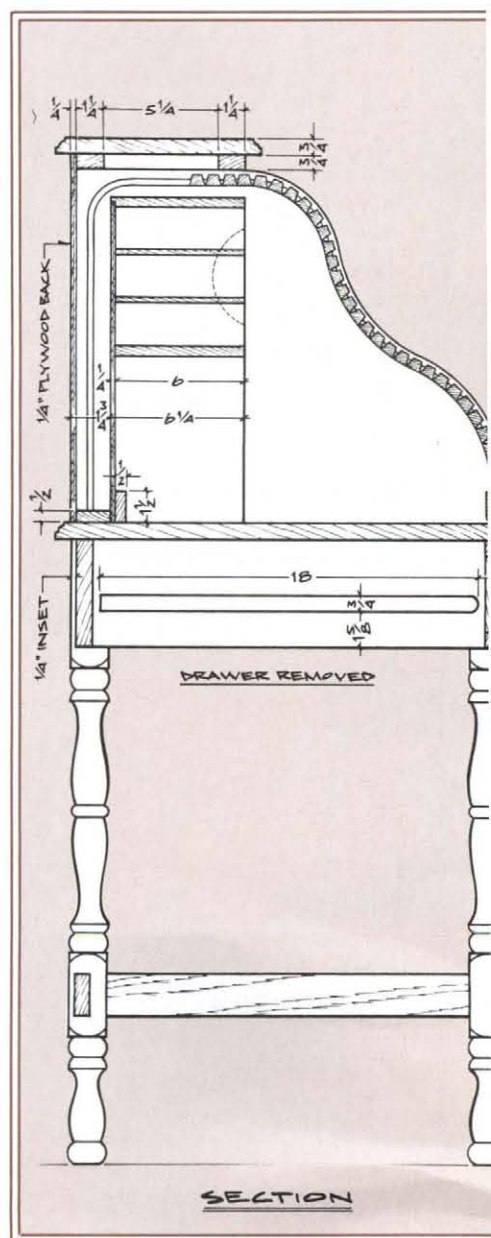
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Desk With Tambour Top



Bill of Materials
(all dimensions actual)

Part	Description	Size	No. Req'd.	Part	Description	Size	No. Req'd.
Base Section				W	Back	$\frac{1}{4} \times 17\frac{1}{4} \times 34$	1
A	Leg	$1\frac{3}{4} \times 1\frac{3}{4} \times 29\frac{1}{2}$	4	X	Tambour Stop	$\frac{1}{2} \times 1\frac{1}{2} \times 33$	1
B	Front Apron			Y	Tambour	$\frac{1}{2} \times \frac{3}{4} \times 33\frac{3}{4}$	30
	Assembly	$\frac{3}{4} \times 5\frac{1}{2} \times 32\frac{1}{2}$ **	1	Z	Canvas	as needed	1
C	Back Apron	$\frac{3}{4} \times 5 \times 32\frac{1}{2}$ **	1	AA	Handle	$\frac{7}{8} \times 1\frac{1}{2} \times 32\frac{7}{8}$	1
D	Side Apron	$\frac{3}{4} \times 5 \times 18\frac{1}{2}$ **	2	BB	Backing Strip	$\frac{1}{4} \times \frac{7}{8} \times 32\frac{7}{8}$	1
E	Back Stretcher	$\frac{3}{4} \times 2 \times 32\frac{1}{2}$ **	1	CC	Handle Knob	Brass, $\frac{3}{4}$ in. dia.	2
F	Side Stretcher	$\frac{3}{4} \times 2 \times 18\frac{1}{2}$ **	2	DD	Organizer Side	$\frac{1}{2} \times 6\frac{1}{4} \times 15\frac{1}{4}$	2
G	Liner	$\frac{3}{4} \times 5 \times 18\frac{1}{2}$	2	EE	Organizer Top	$\frac{1}{2} \times 6\frac{1}{4} \times 32\frac{1}{2}$	1
H	Filler Block	$\frac{3}{4} \times \frac{3}{4} \times 5$	4	FF	Organizer Shelf	$\frac{1}{2} \times 6 \times 32\frac{1}{2}$	1
I	Side Cleat	$\frac{3}{4} \times 1\frac{1}{2} \times 17$	2	GG	Back Strip	$\frac{1}{2} \times 1\frac{1}{2} \times 32$	1
J	Drawer Guide	$\frac{1}{4} \times \frac{3}{4} \times 18$	2	HH	Vertical Divider	$\frac{1}{2} \times 6 \times 7$	4
K	Apron Cleat	$\frac{3}{4} \times \frac{3}{4} \times 12$	2	II	Drawer Divider	$\frac{1}{2} \times 6 \times 6\frac{1}{2}$	2
L	Writing Surface	$\frac{3}{4} \times 22 \times 36$	1	JJ	Separators	$\frac{1}{4} \times 6 \times 7$	4
M	Drawer Front	$\frac{1}{2} \times 3\frac{1}{2} \times 28$	1	KK	Horizontal Divider	$\frac{1}{4} \times 6 \times 6\frac{1}{2}$	2
N	Drawer Side	$\frac{1}{2} \times 3\frac{1}{2} \times 19$	2	LL	Divider Back	$\frac{1}{4} \times 15 \times 32\frac{1}{2}$	1
O	Drawer Back	$\frac{1}{2} \times 3 \times 28$	1	MM	Drawer Front	$\frac{3}{8} \times 3 \times 6$	1/Drawer
P	Drawer Bottom	$\frac{1}{4} \times 27\frac{1}{2} \times 18\frac{3}{4}$	1	NN	Drawer Back	$\frac{3}{8} \times 2\frac{1}{2} \times 6$	1/Drawer
Q	Drawer Face	$\frac{1}{2} \times 4 \times 29\frac{1}{2}$	1	OO	Drawer Side	$\frac{3}{8} \times 3 \times 6$	2/Drawer
R	Drawer Knob	Brass, 1 in. dia.	2	PP	Drawer Bottom	$\frac{1}{4} \times 5\frac{5}{8} \times 5\frac{1}{8}$	1/Drawer
Top Section				QQ	Drawer Face	$\frac{3}{8} \times 3\frac{1}{4} \times 6\frac{1}{2}$	1/Drawer
S	Side	$\frac{3}{4} \times 17\frac{1}{4} \times 20\frac{1}{2}$	2	RR	Drawer Knob	Brass, $\frac{1}{2}$ in. dia.	1/Drawer
T	Front/Back Cleat	$\frac{3}{4} \times 1\frac{1}{4} \times 33$	2				
U	End Cleat	$\frac{3}{4} \times 1\frac{1}{4} \times 6\frac{1}{2}$ **	2				
V	Top	$\frac{3}{4} \times 9\frac{1}{2} \times 36$	1				

*Width allows extra stock.
**Length includes tenons.

An attractive writing desk has always been an important piece of furniture in the home. Although full-size secretaries and traditional rolltop desks are impressive, their size and complexity place them in a class of projects that only the most ambitious woodworkers will usually attempt. Furthermore, since a full-size rolltop desk occupies a good deal of space, it is often difficult to find an ideal location for one in the average home.

By contrast, this modest-sized writing desk will fit in practically anywhere. In the den, the study, the library, or the living room, a practical writing desk is a most welcome addition. The ample writing surface is large enough for a typewriter, and is great for letter writing, bill paying, or

whatever. The tambour front opens to reveal various cubbyholes and drawers for storage of envelopes, correspondence, bills, stamps, and writing implements. The single long drawer below is large enough for full-size paper, manila envelopes, etc.

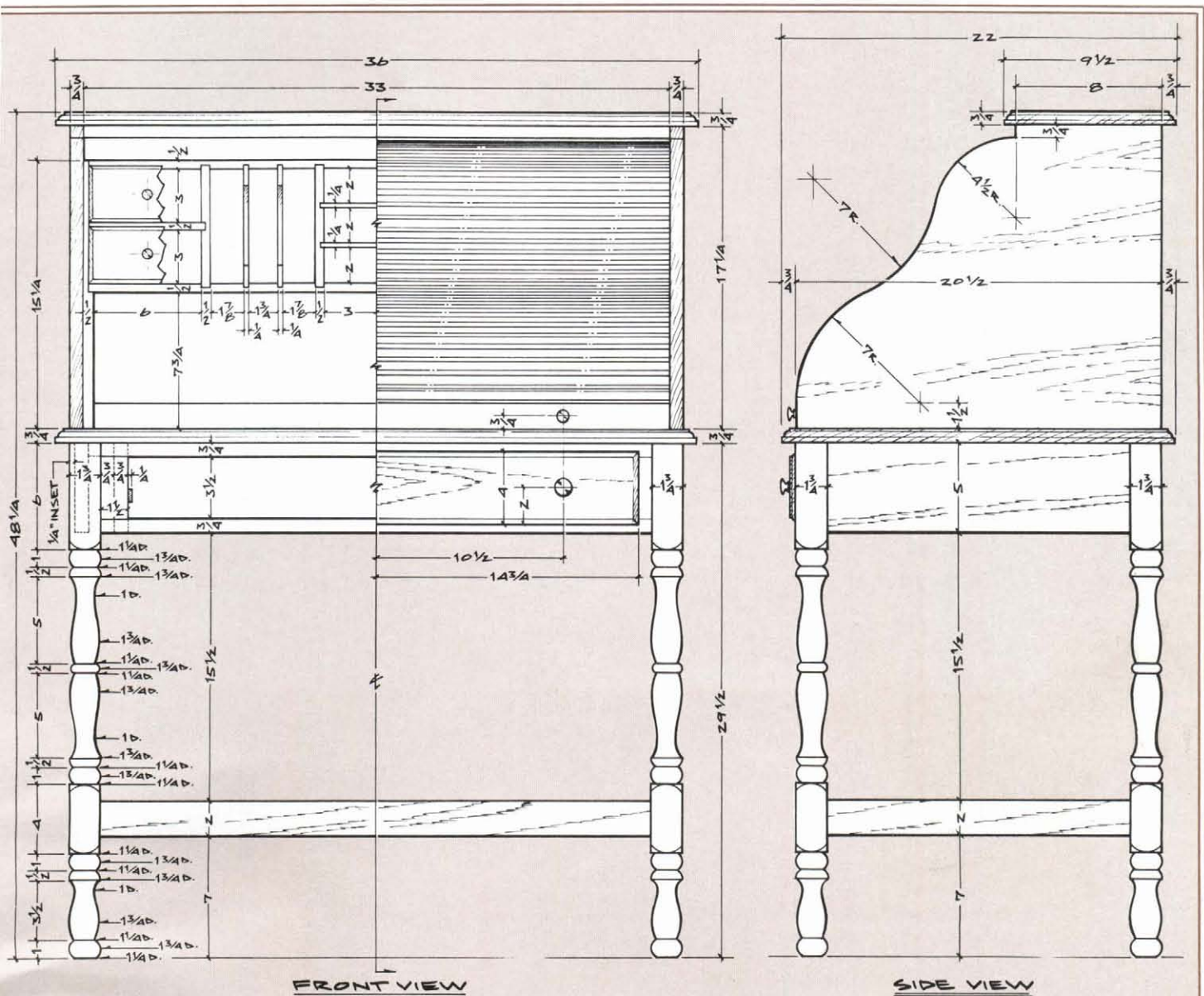
The tambour top, the dovetailed drawers, and the general construction of the desk require careful attention to detail. Although there are no especially difficult operations involved, when the work on the desk is considered in total, this is a project that is best undertaken by intermediate level to advanced woodworkers.

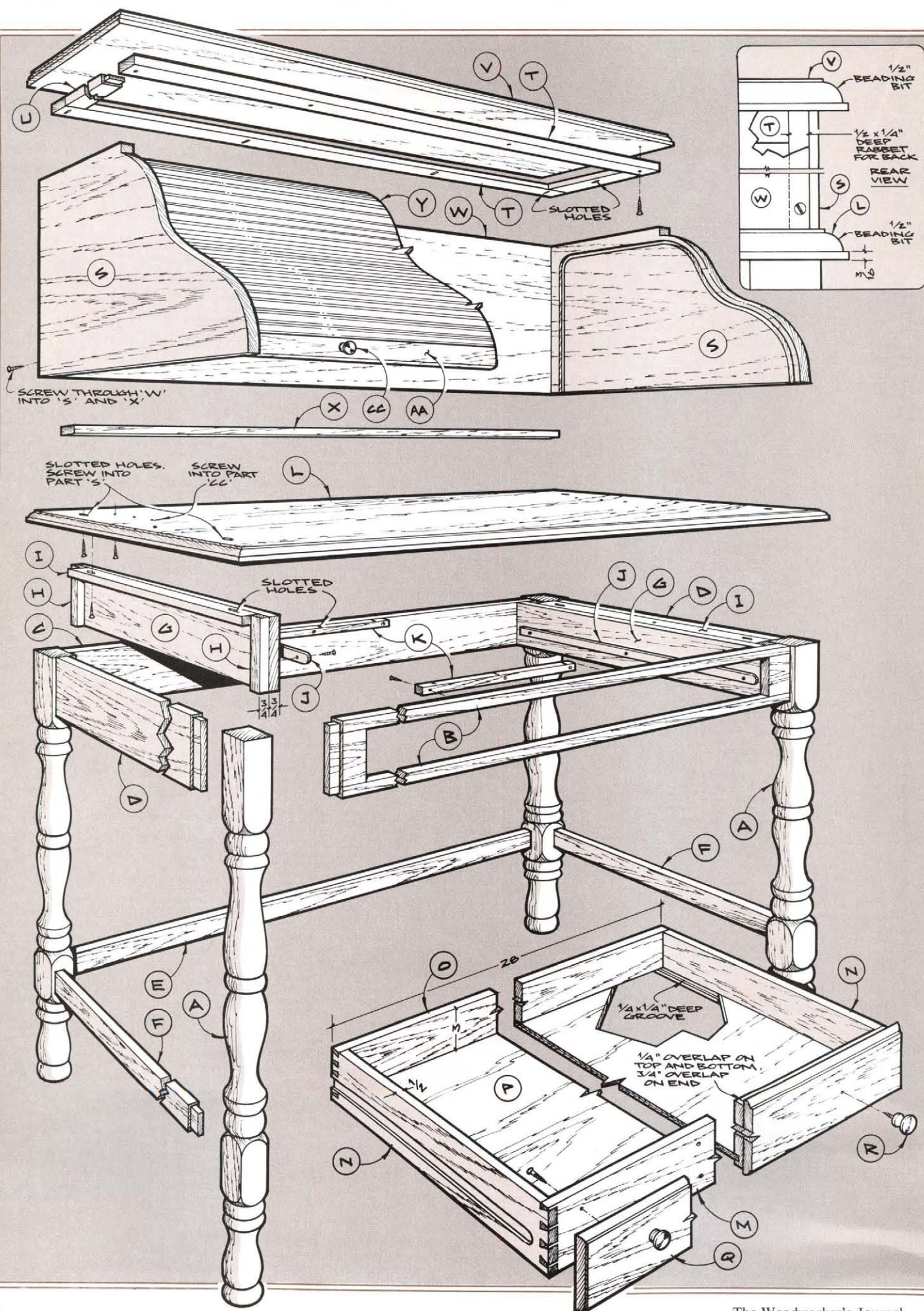
Our desk is made in oak, which we selected because of its strength and stability. A wood with these qualities will help to insure that the tambour

continues to operate properly long after the piece has been completed. Although other hardwoods could also be used for the desk, exercise care and select only the best clear, straight-grained material, especially for the tambour section.

As you will note from the bill of materials, the desk is actually divided into two separate sections, the lower or "base" section, and the upper or "top" section. These two sections are made, assembled, and finished as separate units and are only joined in the end. Approaching the construction in two parts actually helps to simplify the work.

Start with the base section. Mill $1\frac{3}{4}$ in. square blanks for the four legs (A), allowing extra length as needed for





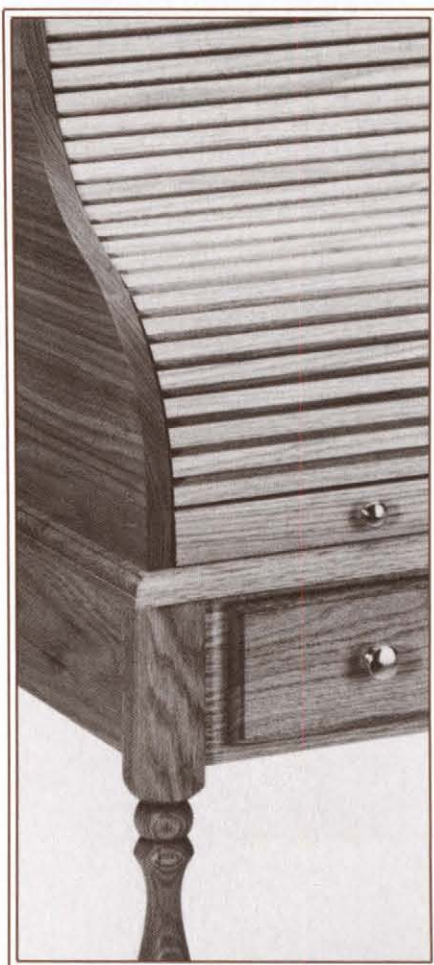
mounting in the lathe. Locate and mortise for the stretchers and aprons, then mount the legs and turn to the dimensions indicated in the front view. By first laying out and establishing the various turning points, you should have little difficulty keeping all four legs consistent. Remember to use sharp skewers and gouges and to work carefully, since oak tears out rather easily. Final sand the legs while they are still on the lathe.

Next mill stock for the aprons and stretchers. The front apron (B) is made by ripping a $5\frac{1}{2}$ in. wide board, crosscutting the center section to create the drawer opening, and jointing the edges to obtain the two $\frac{3}{4}$ in. square strips and the two $3\frac{1}{2}$ in. wide sections on either side of the drawer opening. The additional $\frac{1}{2}$ in. on the part B width dimension allows for the saw kerfs and a light pass of each piece over the jointer. Glue and clamp the front apron parts and, when dry, cut the tenons on the ends using the table saw dado head. Make the back and side aprons (C and D) and the back and side stretchers (E and F), also cutting the tenons on the ends of these parts with the dado head (see Fig. 1 for tenon dimensions). Final sand parts A through F, test fit, glue, and assemble.

Now cut and fit the liners (G), filler blocks (H), side cleats (I), drawer guides (J), and apron cleats (K). Note the slotted holes in the various cleats to accept the top mounting screws. You may now machine and edge glue sufficient stock for the writing surface (L). (To save time, this could be done before starting on the base section). When dry, cut the glued-up writing surface to overall length and width, and use a $\frac{1}{2}$ in. bearing guided beading bit to form the decorative edge on all four sides.

Make and fit the base drawer, consisting of parts M through Q, and final sand and finish all base and base drawer parts. The writing surface is not mounted now, nor are the slotted holes cut into it until after the tambour carcass has been completed.

To make the top section, start by gluing up stock for the sides (S). Then, referring to Fig. 2, make the template that you will use as a guide for the router to cut the tambour groove. Note that our template is $\frac{1}{32}$ in. smaller all around than the groove inside, and is used with a $\frac{1}{8}$ in. outside diameter guide bushing and $\frac{1}{16}$ in. straight cut-



ter. Use the radii shown in Fig. 2 as an aid in laying out for the template and groove. To find the centerpoint of the $3\frac{1}{16}$ in. radius top front curve, measure 8 in. from the back edge and $5\frac{1}{4}$ in. down from the top edge. To find the $6\frac{1}{16}$ in. radius lower front curve, measure $1\frac{1}{2}$ in. up from the bottom edge and 7 in. back from the front edge. The intersection of a 14 in. radius arc from this point and an $11\frac{1}{2}$ in. radius arc from the previously located point will provide the centerpoint for scribing the $7\frac{3}{8}$ in. radius reverse curve. Remember that the template must be sized somewhat smaller than the groove, with the exact dimension depending on the particular router and guide bushing you use. More about routing the groove is included in the Special Techniques article on page 24.

After the groove is complete, saber saw or band saw the carcass sides to shape, and cut the $\frac{1}{4}$ in. deep by $\frac{1}{2}$ in. wide rabbet that will accept the back. Also cut the front and back cleats (T), and end cleats (U) that comprise a simple frame. Dimensions of the end cleat tenons are shown in Fig. 1. Glue and

assemble this cleat frame, and glue the carcass sides in place on either end. Make the top (V), applying an edge treatment with the $\frac{1}{2}$ in. beading bit, and mount the top as shown, fixed at the front edge with the slotted holes in the cleat frame permitting movement toward the back. Cut and fit the plywood back (W) making certain that the sides are parallel. Also glue the tambour stop (X) in place, as shown in the side view.

After making the top carcass, you must build the tambour front, consisting of the tambours (Y), the canvas (Z), the handle (AA), and the handle backing strip (BB). Again, refer to the Special Techniques article on page 24 for a detailed description of how the tambours are machined and laid up with the canvas.

The canvas is $32\frac{1}{4}$ in. wide to provide clearance on either side so that it will not come near or bind in the grooves. The canvas should be at least 28 in. long, providing overhang on the back end for tacking to the gluing fixture, and an extra $\frac{1}{8}$ in. on the front end for mounting the handle. After the canvas has been applied to the tambours, machine the handle and backing strip, and mount by sandwiching the canvas as shown in Fig. 3. Also, drill for and glue in place the location dowels in either end of the handle. *Note:* when making the tambour front, remember that dimensions may vary slightly, and the tambour must be sized to fit the tambour carcass.

The pigeon hole organizer (parts DD through LL) is made by milling $\frac{1}{4}$ in. and $\frac{1}{2}$ in. stock as needed, then cutting to length and width and rabbeting and dadoing as required. Working from inner assemblies out, construct the organizer. Also make and fit the drawers (parts MM through QQ). *Note:* the organizer should be finished *before* its plywood back is applied.

After oiling and prefinishing all subassemblies, slide the tambour front into the tambour track. Then screw the writing surface to the tambour carcass. *Tip:* a spacer stick between the carcass sides will help keep them parallel. Next, insert the organizer and screw it to the writing surface. Finally, the entire top assembly is screwed to the base.

Mount the various drawer knobs (parts R and RR) and the tambour handle knobs (CC) to complete this project.

Wwj

This lovely table top vanity features a mirror that pivots out as the top is opened while a series of notches allows it to be adjusted at various angles. The mirror simply slides into the closed position when the top is shut. Inside, there are nine storage compartments.

Ours is made from oak with a walnut plywood top and bottom. This project doesn't require a lot of stock, so your materials costs should be reasonably low.

To make the box frame (consisting of parts A, B, C, E, F, and G), you'll need a piece of $\frac{3}{8}$ in. thick stock that measures 4 in. wide and 54 in. long. Both the width and length dimensions allow a little extra stock. If you don't have a thickness planer and can't get $\frac{3}{8}$ in. thick stock locally, check with a lumberyard or millwork shop as they will often plane thicker stock for a nominal charge. Once thickness planed, set the table saw blade to cut a 45-degree miter, then cross-cut the stock into two pieces 13½ in. long and two pieces 12 in. long. For the case to be square, the miters must be exactly 45 degrees, so it's a good idea to make some test cuts on scrap stock before starting.

Next, use the table saw and a dado-head to cut the $\frac{1}{4}$ in. wide by $\frac{3}{16}$ in. deep groove that runs lengthwise along the top and bottom of each piece. Note that each groove is located $\frac{1}{4}$ in. from the edge.

The case bottom (D) and the lid top (H) are made from $\frac{1}{4}$ in. thick walnut plywood cut to 11½ in. wide by 13 in. long. Albert Constantine and Son, Inc., 2050 Eastchester Road, Bronx, NY 10461, sells $\frac{1}{4}$ in. walnut plywood, good two sides, in sheets measuring 12 in. wide by 48 in. long. The current price is \$16.40 per sheet plus \$4.00 for shipping and handling.

The box frame parts and the top and bottom can now be assembled. First dry assemble the components to make sure everything fits properly. If everything looks okay, disassemble the parts and apply glue to the miters and to the edges of the plywood. Clamp

Vanity Case

firmly to insure good pressure at the joints and check for squareness. Make any necessary adjustments before setting aside to dry.

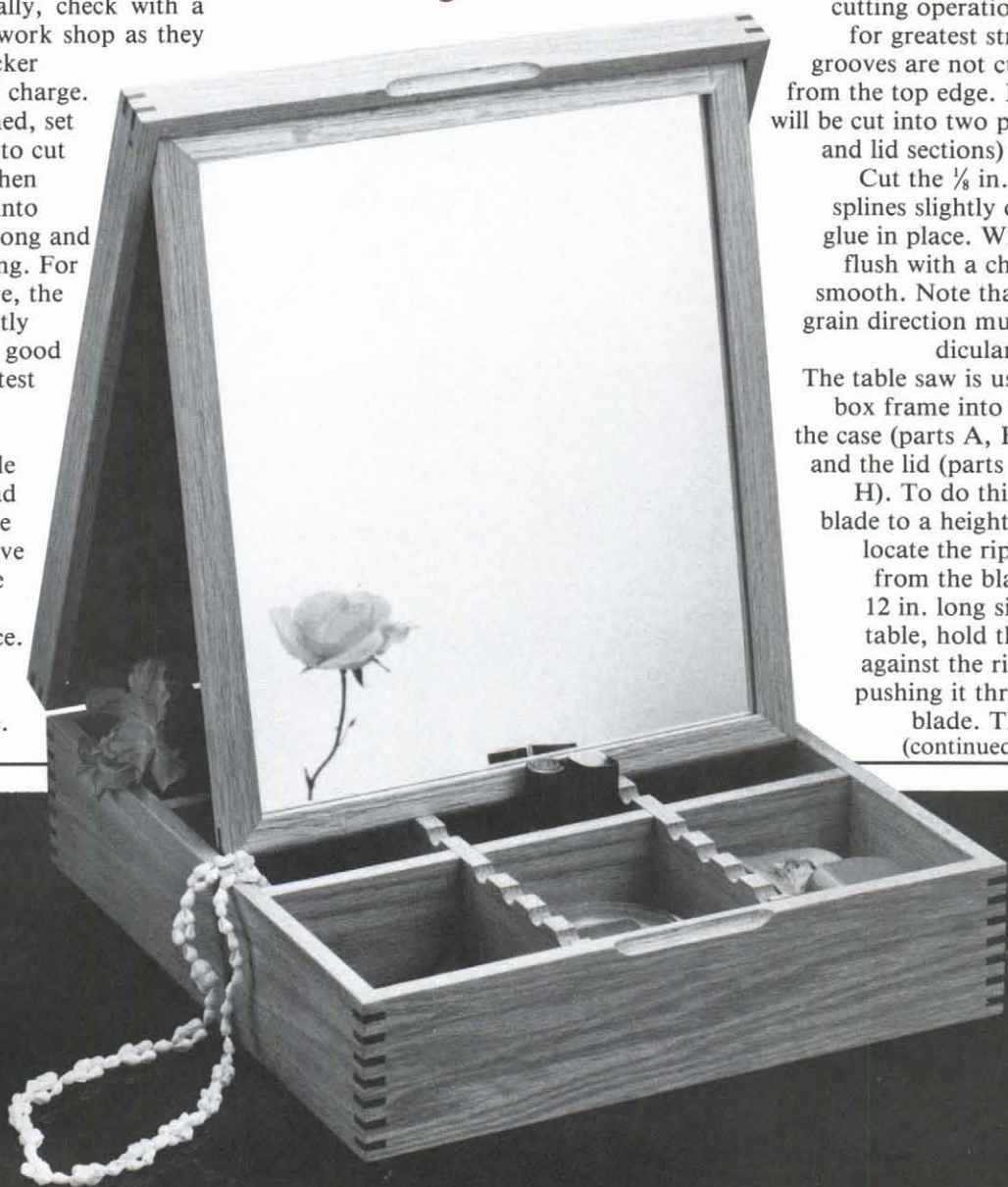
The splined mitered construction of the box requires a simple jig (see detail) to cut the spline grooves, which are located $\frac{1}{4}$ in. apart. Set the saw blade to a height of $\frac{1}{4}$ in., then locate the rip fence $\frac{1}{4}$ in. from the blade. With the box frame in the jig, start the saw, then hold the jig against the rip fence and run it through the blade. Cut all four corners on one side, then flip the piece and do the four corners on the other side. Next, readjust the rip fence so that the saw blade is $\frac{5}{8}$ in. from the fence and repeat the process. Three more fence adjustments, each one in $\frac{3}{8}$ in. intervals, will complete the spline cutting operation. Note that,

for greatest strength, spline grooves are not cut 1 in. down from the top edge. Later the box will be cut into two parts (the case and lid sections) at this point.

Cut the $\frac{3}{8}$ in. thick walnut splines slightly oversized and glue in place. When dry, trim flush with a chisel and sand smooth. Note that the spline's grain direction must be perpendicular to the joint.

The table saw is used to cut the box frame into two sections: the case (parts A, B, C, and D), and the lid (parts E, F, G, and H). To do this, set the saw blade to a height of $\frac{1}{2}$ in. and locate the rip fence 2½ in.

from the blade. With the 12 in. long side facing the table, hold the box firmly against the rip fence while pushing it through the saw blade. This completes
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the first cut. Make the second cut on the opposite side. Make the third cut with the 13½ in. long side facing down, then before making the fourth and final cut on the opposite side, insert a piece of ⅝ in. thick hardboard (Masonite) in the saw kerf to keep it from closing and binding on the saw blade. This technique is illustrated in the Router Box project on page 54.

To make the mirror frame (parts I and J), you'll need about 50 in. of stock measuring ½ in. thick and ¾ in. wide. Cut the stock to length, mitering the ends as shown. Apply glue to the miter joints, then clamp firmly and allow to dry. The jig is once again used to cut the spline groove on each corner, but this time the blade height is raised to ⅞ in. Glue the splines in place and trim flush.

A router with a rabbeting bit is used to cut the ⅜ in. wide by ¼ in. deep rabbet all around the back of the mirror frame (see mirror frame detail). The router bit leaves rounded corners, so a sharp chisel is used to cut them square. To round the top and bottom edges,

use the router and a ¼ in. rounding-over bit. The mirror (K) is held in place with glazier's (diamond) points as shown. A pair of ⅛ in. diameter by ¾ in. long brass pins (L) are used to assemble the mirror frame to the inside of the lid.

To make the long dividers (M), rip ⅝ in. thick stock to a width of 3 in., then cut to a length of 12¾ in. Lay out and mark the location of the ½ in. diameter notches for the mirror (the hole centerline will be 2⅞ in. from the bottom edge), and bore the holes with a Forstner bit. Ripping the stock to a width of 2⅝ in. will result in ⅜ in. deep notches as shown.

Next, cut the short dividers (N) to length and width. Lay out and mark the location of the notches on both the long and short dividers, then raise the saw blade (or dado cutter) to a height of 1⅜ in. Use the miter gauge to run the stock through the blade. You'll need to make several passes with the regular saw blade to complete each notch.

The finger grooves in the front are

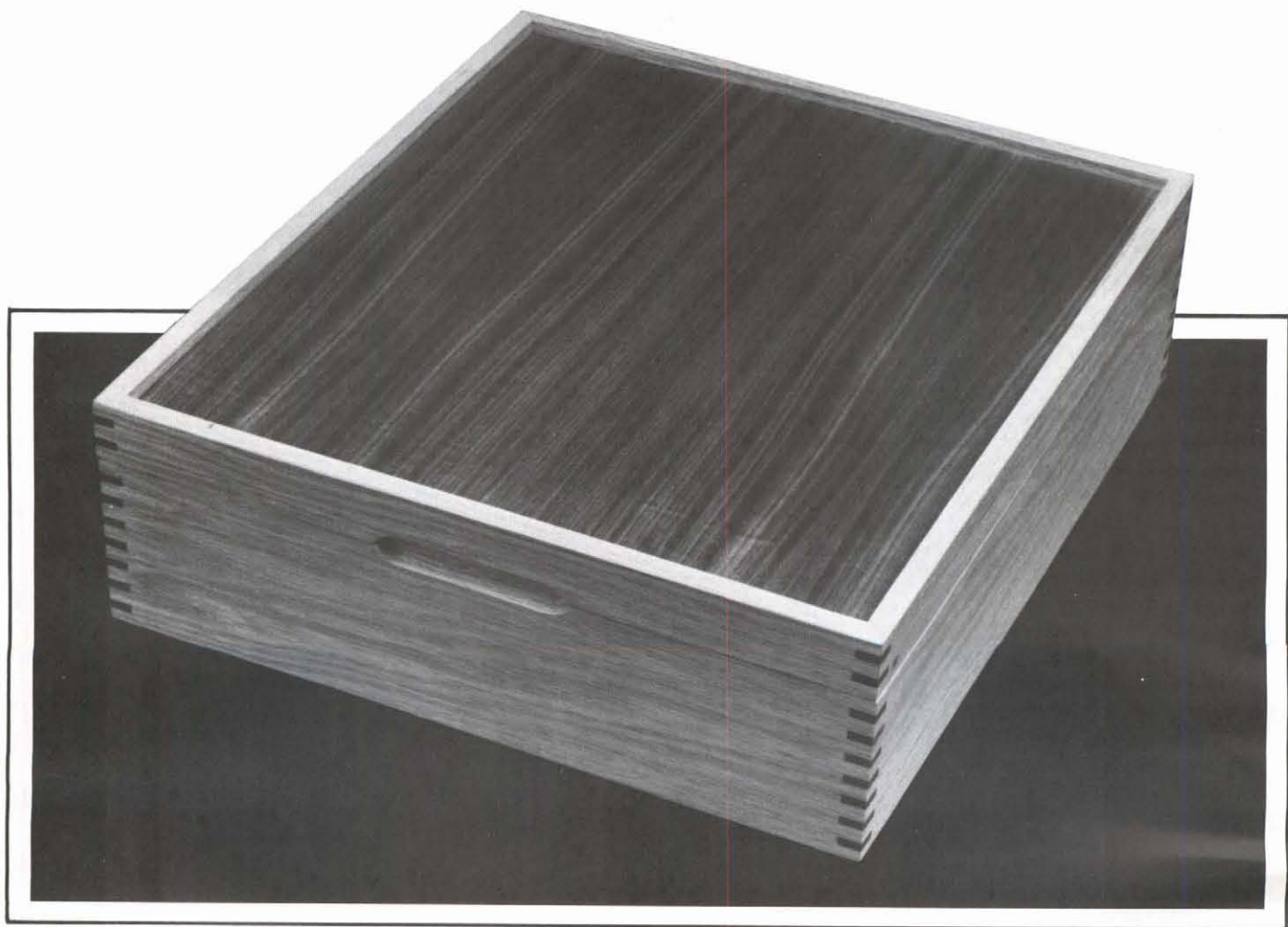
cut using a ¼ in. cove cutter on the router. Use a chisel to cut the mortises for the two brass hinges (O), then give all parts a thorough final sanding. Two coats of Deft Clear Wood Finish were applied as a final finish. The addition of the two hinges completed the project.

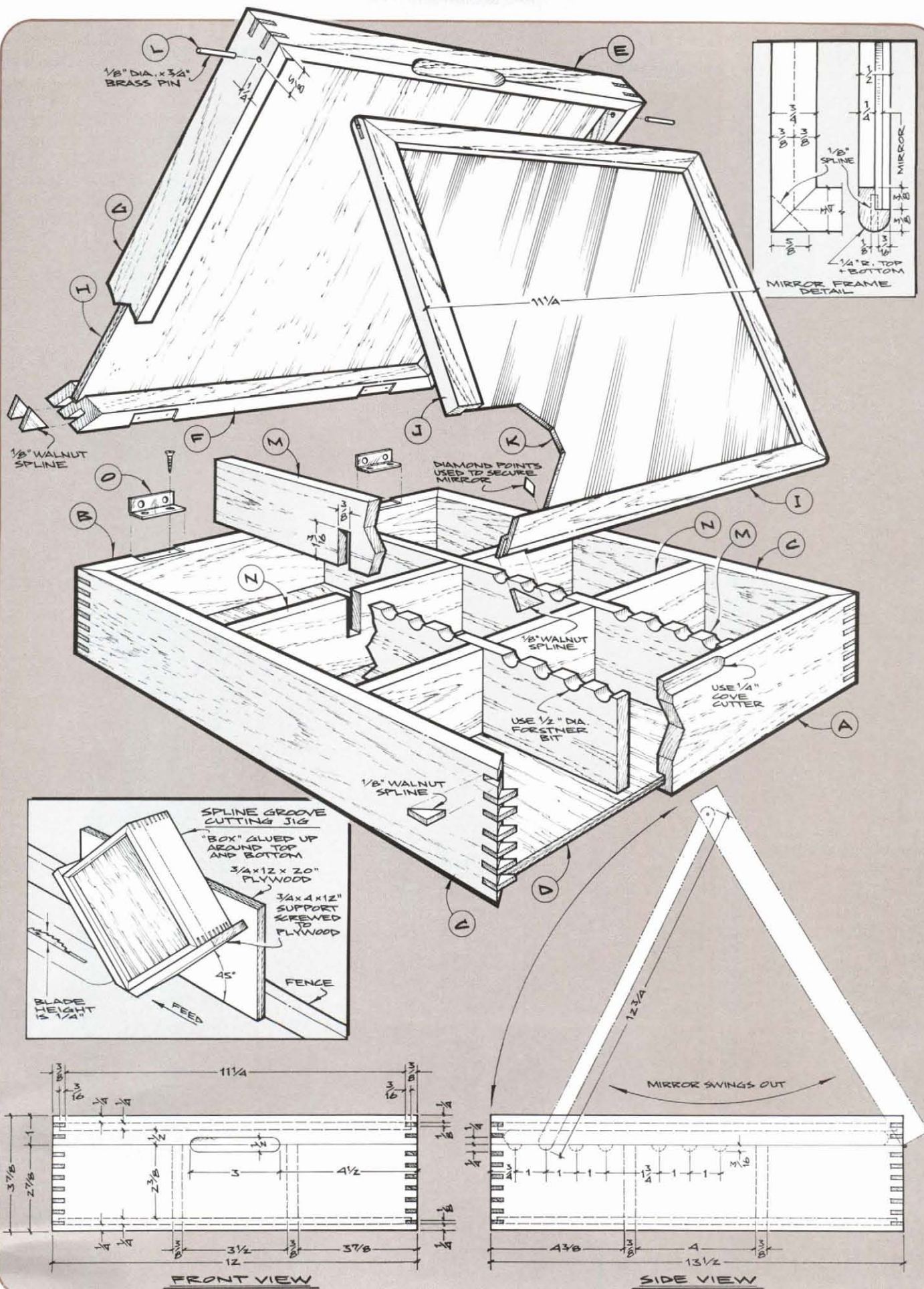
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Bill of Materials

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Part	Description	Size	No. Req'd.
A	Case Front	⅜ × 2⅞ × 12	1
B	Case Back	⅜ × 2⅞ × 12	1
C	Case Side	⅜ × 2⅞ × 13½	2
D	Case Bottom	¼ × 11½ × 13	1
E	Lid Front	⅜ × 1 × 12	1
F	Lid Back	⅜ × 1 × 12	1
G	Lid Side	⅜ × 1 × 13½	2
H	Lid Top	¼ × 11½ × 13	1
I	Mirror Frame End	½ × ¾ × 11¼	2
J	Mirror Frame Side	½ × ¾ × 12¾	2
K	Mirror	⅞ × 10⅞ × 11⅞	1
L	Pin	⅛ dia. × ¾ long	2
M	Long Divider	⅝ × 2⅞ × 12¾	2
N	Short Divider	⅝ × 2⅞ × 11¼	2
O	Hinge	⅜ × 1¼	2





A stool provides handy extra seating anywhere. In spite of its fine lines, light weight, and delicate appearance, this small stool is surprisingly sturdy.

Begin by laying up stock for the top. We chose to lay up a butcher block of 1 in. by 1 in. by 11 in. maple, but other hardwoods could be used as well. The butcher block construction provides the top with considerably more strength than if we had turned it from a single width of stock. Once the top is dry, scribe a 10½ in. diameter, and rough cut round using a saber saw or band saw.

Now attach the seat to the lathe faceplate and turn to the profile shown in the cross-sectional view of part A. It is important that you establish the flat 8-degree taper on the seat bottom, since this flat area aids in the next step, drilling the holes to accept the four leg tenons. Lay out as shown in the top view for these holes, then drill each of the holes with a 1 in. diameter Forstner bit by clamping the top on the 8-degree flat to the drill press table. You will need a backing block under the seat, since the holes are drilled through.

Next, cut 1¾ in. by 1¾ in. by 28 in. long leg turning blanks from oak, mount in the lathe, and turn to a 1½ in. diameter. Index the stock ends and locate for the rung tenon holes 8 in. from what will be the bottom ends of the legs. As shown in the rung mortise drilling illustration, these tenon holes must be positioned 98 degrees apart to accommodate the 8-degree splay of the legs. Construct a simple V-block to hold the leg stock. The leg and V-block are clamped to the drill press table. Note that the V-block must be inclined at 5 degrees to the drill press table. Now, using a ½ in. diameter Forstner bit, drill the ½ in. deep holes that will accept the rungs (C).

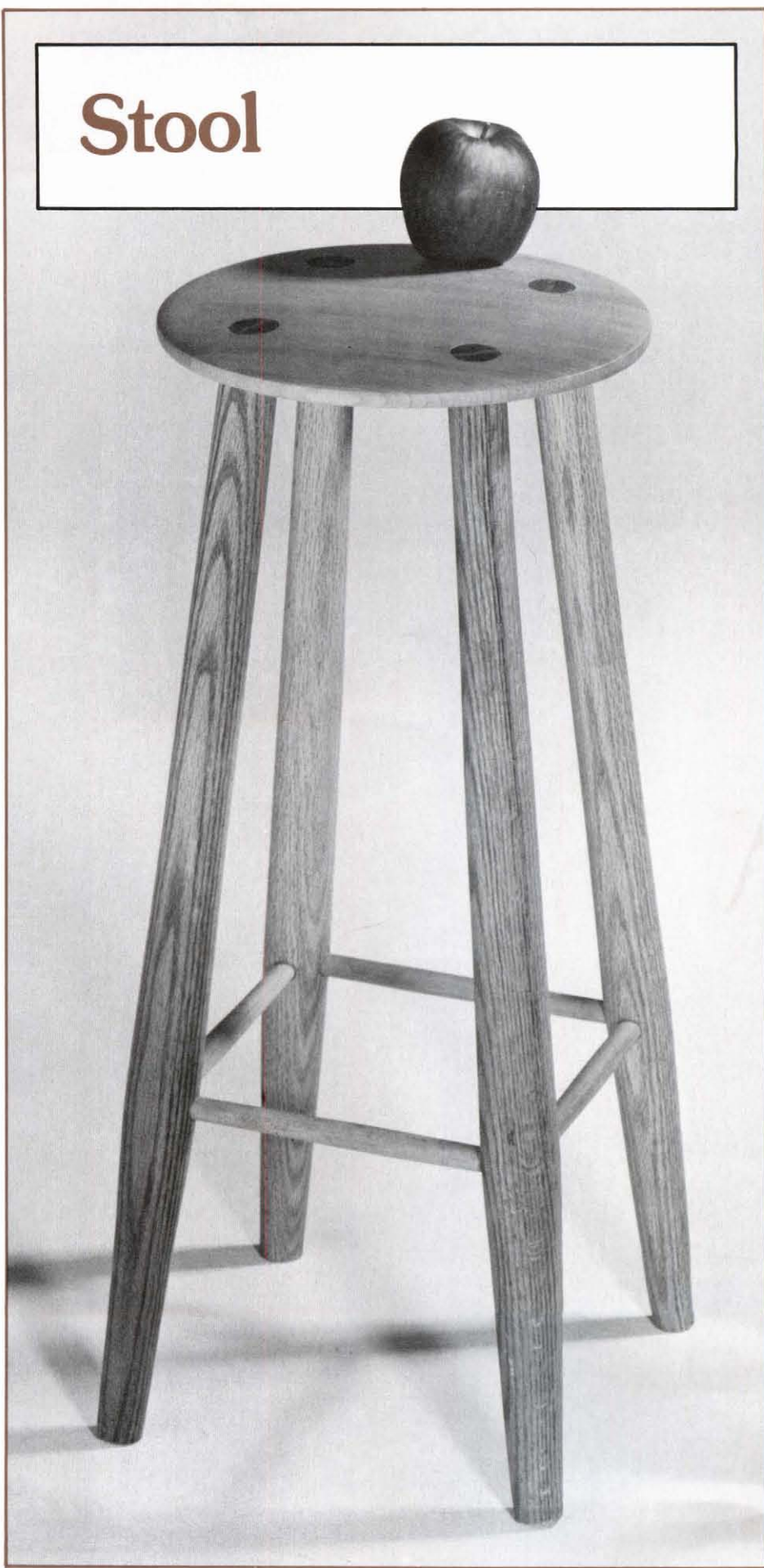
Turn the legs to establish the tapers as illustrated, and turn the 1 in. diameter tenon on the top end of each leg. Also turn the rungs, which taper gradually from ¾ in. at the center to ½ in. at the ends.

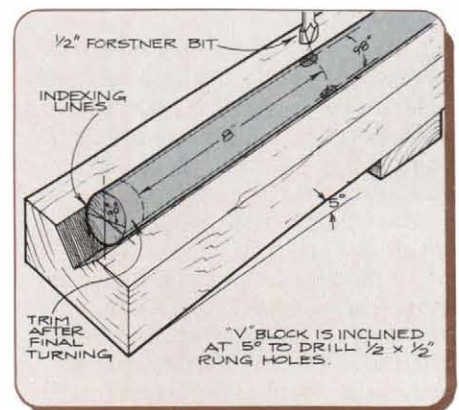
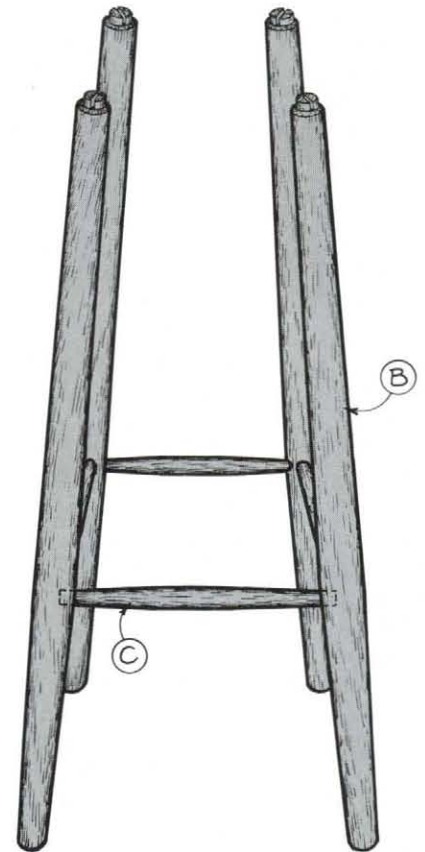
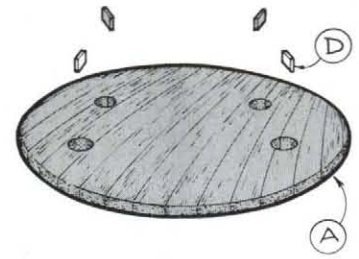
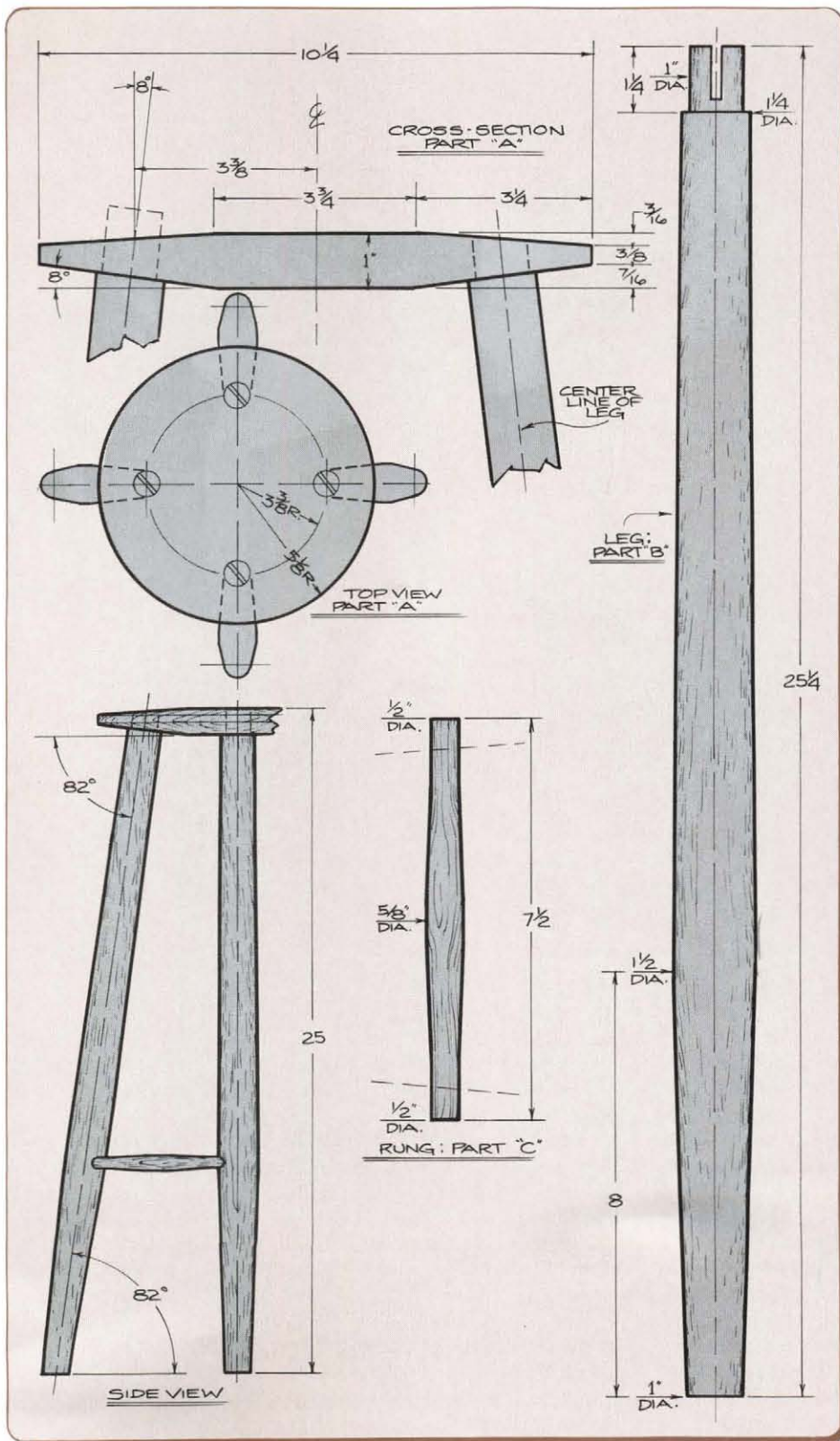
After trimming the legs and rungs to final length, cut a cross-grain kerf 1 in. deep into the ends of the leg tenons. Assemble the stool using glue throughout, and wedge the leg tenons to lock them. These wedges (D) can be made from a contrasting wood that will provide the stool top with an attractive detail. A band clamp will help in clamping up the legs and rungs.

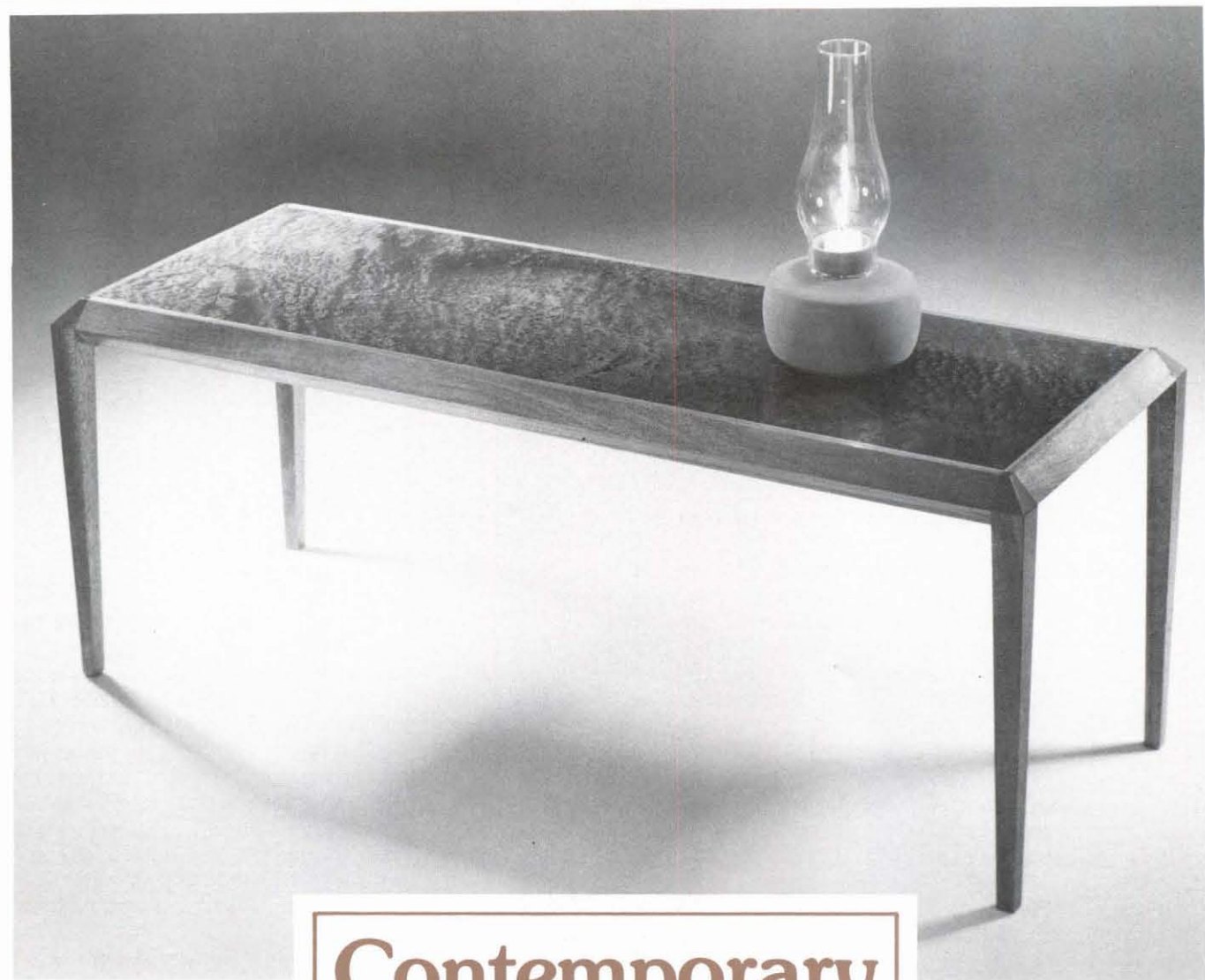
After trimming the leg tenons flush with the seat top, final sand and finish the stool with two coats of Watco Danish Oil.

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Stool







Contemporary Coffee Table

Crisp, clean lines give this elegant little table a light and delicate look that's very pleasing to the eye. We used Honduras mahogany for all solid stock parts, with quilted mahogany veneer covering a birch plywood top. Aluminum angle is incorporated as a structural and decorative element.

The four legs (A) are made first. For each one, cut stock to $1\frac{1}{8}$ in. square by $16\frac{1}{8}$ in. long. Both dimensions allow a little extra material so that later, after assembly, the legs can be trimmed perfectly flush to the side stretchers (B) and the end stretchers (C).

Referring to the mortise detail, lay out and mark the location of the mortises. Note that the dimensions are measured from the top of the leg, which includes the $\frac{1}{8}$ in. extra material to be trimmed flush after assembly. Use a sharp chisel to chop out each mortise. To get clean, well-fitted joints, these mortises must be located and cut accurately, so use considerable care here.

As shown in the side and front views, the legs are tapered on the two outside surfaces. If you have one, a table saw tapering jig will come in handy here. If not, lay out and mark the tapers on each leg, then hand plane the stock to the marked line. Start at a point $1\frac{1}{8}$ in. from the top end (see mortise

detail), and taper the stock to $1\frac{1}{8}$ in. at the bottom. This cut, like the ones before it, will leave some extra material to be trimmed off later on.

The 45-degree bevels on the top end of each leg are cut on the table saw. As shown in the mortise detail, the bevel starts $1\frac{1}{8}$ in. from the top edge. To make the bevels, set the table saw blade to 90 degrees and set the miter gauge to 45 degrees. Make the first bevel with the miter gauge in the left-hand slot, then switch to the right-hand slot to make the second bevel.

For the side and end stretchers you'll need stock that measures $1\frac{1}{4}$ in. thick by 2 in. wide. To insure tight joinery when the table is assembled later on, it's important to have exact cut lengths. This is best done by using stop blocks on an auxiliary fence clamped to the miter gauge. Cut the side stretchers 40 in. long and the end stretchers $13\frac{3}{4}$ in. long.

Lay out the mortises on the ends of each stretcher before cutting them out with a sharp chisel. As with the leg mortises, these need to be located and cut accurately.

To cut the bevel on the lower edge of the stretcher (see stretcher detail), set the saw blade to 48 degrees (measured between the saw blade and the table), then locate the rip

fence $\frac{1}{4}$ in. from the blade. To cut the bevel on the upper edge of the stretcher, set the saw blade to 45 degrees and locate the rip fence $\frac{3}{8}$ in. from the blade. To complete work on the stretchers, use the table saw or router table to cut the $\frac{3}{4}$ in. wide by $\frac{1}{16}$ in. deep rabbet that will accept the aluminum angle (parts I and J).

Cut the wide and narrow splines (parts D and E) from $\frac{3}{16}$ in. thick stock and miter one end to 45 degrees (see spline detail). Make sure the grain runs in the direction shown.

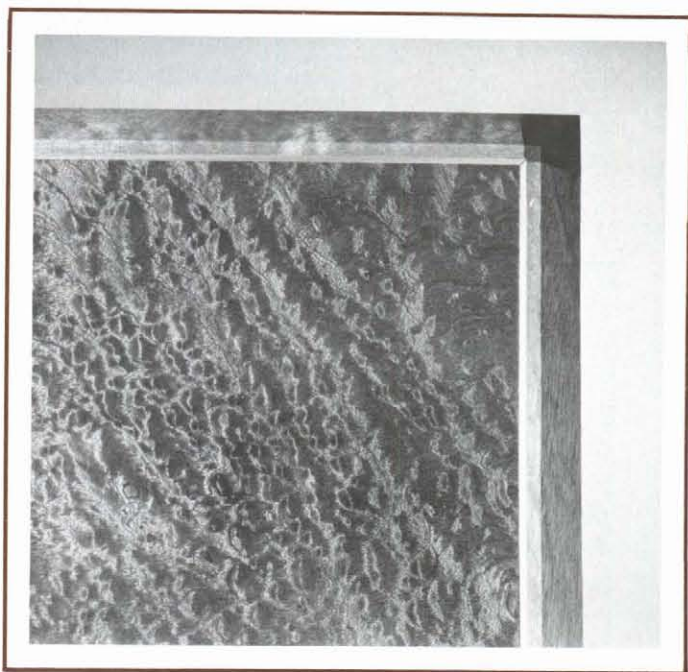
The legs and stretchers can now be assembled. First, though, dry assemble the parts to insure that all components fit to your satisfaction. If everything looks in order, apply glue to the mortises and splines, then apply pressure with bar or pipe clamps. To protect the beveled edge on the leg, we used clamp blocks as shown in the clamping detail. If the stretchers are not square to each other, it will be difficult to get a good fit-up when the top is added, so check for squareness and make adjustments as necessary.

When dry, remove the clamps before cutting the $\frac{1}{16}$ in. square by $\frac{3}{4}$ in. long notch in the corner of each leg. These notches enable the aluminum angle to fit snugly in each corner.

The aluminum angle (parts I and J) can be purchased at just about any hardware store or building supply center. We used a band saw to cut the 45-degree miters on each end. Cut the aluminum a bit longer than necessary, then use the disk sander to smooth the band saw cut. A board clamped at 45 degrees on the disk sander table will help to hold the aluminum at the proper angle.

Drill and counterbore pilot holes in each aluminum angle (see exploded view for their approximate location), then screw the aluminum to the stretchers with $\frac{1}{2}$ in. long by no. 6 flathead wood screws. The $\frac{3}{4}$ in. by $\frac{1}{16}$ in. rabbet in the stretchers comes in handy here as it serves to hold the aluminum in its proper location.

Next, cut the top (F) from $\frac{3}{4}$ in. birch plywood to a width of 14 in. and a length of 40 $\frac{1}{2}$ in. The length and width dimensions allow extra stock. As mentioned earlier, we used quilted mahogany veneer for the upper laminate (H). For the lower laminate (G) a lower cost, straight-grained Honduras mahogany was used. Both types of mahogany can be ordered from: Wood Shed, 1807 Elmwood Avenue, Buffalo, NY



14207-2492. Specify that you need a width of at least 14 in. and a length of at least 40 $\frac{1}{2}$ in.

After the upper and lower surfaces of the veneer are glued to the top, it can be cut to the final length and width. Before cutting, though, carefully measure the exact width and length of the opening for the top, then cut the top to fit the opening. It should be a snug, sliding fit all around. Once satisfied with the fit, remove the top and cut the $\frac{3}{4}$ in. wide rabbet all around the bottom edge. The depth of the rabbet should be such that the top is flush with the top edge of the aluminum. The top can now be screwed to the bottom leg of the aluminum, again using $\frac{1}{2}$ in. long by no. 6 flathead wood screws.

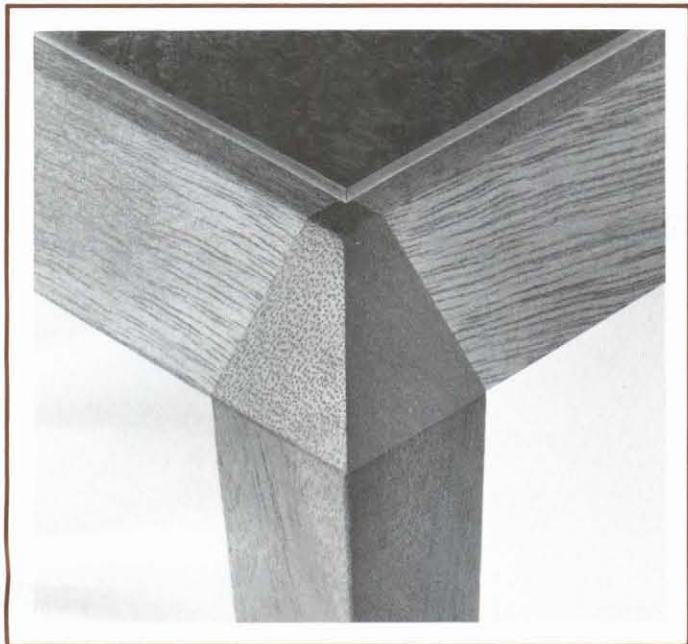
The top end of the legs can now be sanded flush with the stretchers. The remaining areas of the legs can be planed, scraped or sanded as needed to get the desired taper and a smooth finish.

After sanding the stretchers the top can be lightly sanded or scraped with a cabinet scraper. Remember, the veneer is thin so don't overdo it or you risk sanding into the plywood.

Three coats of a good penetrating oil will produce an attractive final finish.

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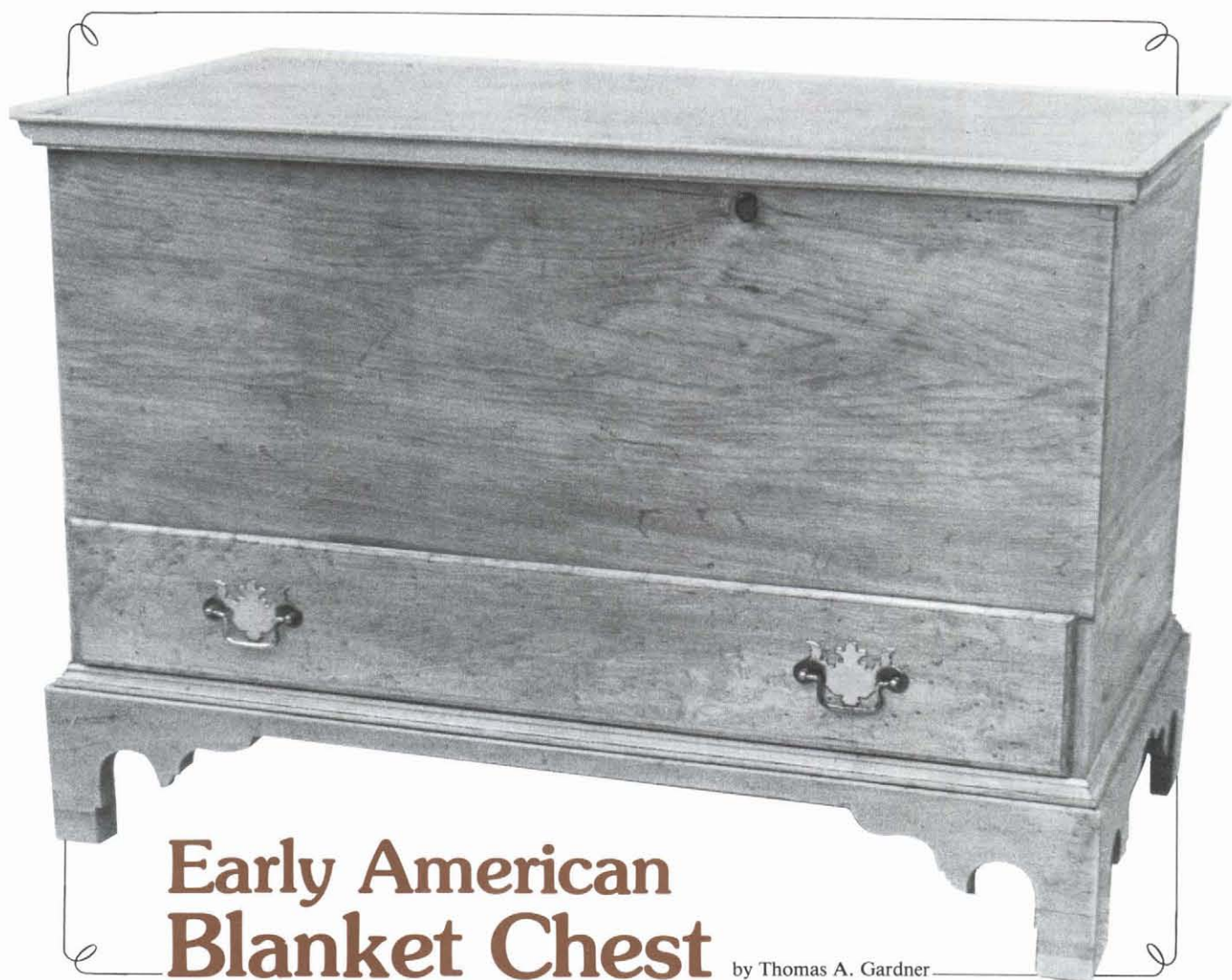
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Part	Description	Size	No. Req'd.
A	Leg	1 $\frac{1}{4}$ x 1 $\frac{1}{4}$ x 16	4
B	Side Stretcher	1 $\frac{1}{4}$ x 2 x 40	2
C	End Stretcher	1 $\frac{1}{4}$ x 2 x 13 $\frac{3}{4}$	2
D	Wide Spline	$\frac{3}{16}$ x 1 $\frac{7}{16}$ x 1	8
E	Narrow Spline	$\frac{3}{16}$ x $\frac{3}{4}$ x 1 $\frac{3}{8}$	8
F	Top	$\frac{3}{4}$ x 13 $\frac{5}{8}$ x 39 $\frac{7}{8}$	1
G	Lower Laminate	as required	1
H	Upper Laminate	as required	1
I	Side Aluminum Angle	$\frac{3}{4}$ x $\frac{3}{4}$ x 40 $\frac{1}{8}$	2
J	End Aluminum Angle	$\frac{3}{4}$ x $\frac{3}{4}$ x 13 $\frac{7}{8}$	2



Early American Blanket Chest

by Thomas A. Gardner

This Early American blanket chest is patterned after a New England chest dated 1792. Chests were common in Colonial and Early American homes since closets were quite rare. Many chests were dated and bore the name or initials of the maker/owner, an idea you may also consider. Although chests such as this often featured a false drawer front, our drawer is fully functional. The space above the drawer is called a well.

Authentic chests of this period were constructed entirely of solid stock, typically maple, walnut, birch, butternut, cherry, pine — or whatever wood was handy. The solid-stock-throughout construction did not present a wood movement problem, since early homes, with little insulation and no central heating, were not subject to the prolonged dry winter heat produced by modern heating systems. To eliminate any potential problem with wood movement, our design specifies plywood for the well and carcass bottom panels, and for the drawer bottom.

Although the photo shows authentic moldings cut by hand with a molding plane, we have called out more common moldings that enable you to fashion the decorative edge with the router and readily available beading bits.

You will need to glue up stock for the sides (A), back (B), front (C), and top (M). After cutting to size, use the dado head to cut the $\frac{3}{8}$ in. by $\frac{3}{4}$ in. wide rabbets in the sides to ac-

cept the back. Notch the sides to accept the front, using the table saw to cross-cut as near to the notch end as possible, and then clean out the rest with the chisel. Next, cut the rabbet in the bottom ends of the sides and back to accept the carcass bottom (E). Rabbet the front to accept the well bottom (D) and sides, and cut the $\frac{3}{8}$ in. by $\frac{3}{4}$ in. grooves in the sides and back into which the well bottom will fit. Cut the well bottom and carcass bottom to size from $\frac{3}{4}$ in. cabinet grade plywood (make certain these are perfectly square), test assemble, and then glue-up parts A through E. Also cut, fit, and glue the drawer spacers (F and G) in place. Remember to check that the carcass bottom fits flush with the sides along the front, and trim back as needed if it does not.

Now referring to the various grid patterns, lay out the profiles of parts H, I, and J on 1 in. thick stock. After cutting these parts to length and width, rabbet the base front to accept the base sides. Then, using the saber saw, jig saw, or the band saw with a narrow blade, cut out the illustrated profiles of these parts. Note the difference in the foot width of the front and side base profiles.

Test fit, glue, and clamp the base parts in place, taking care that location is right. A pencil line, scribed $\frac{3}{4}$ in. up from the bottom edge of the sides, will serve as a helpful guide. Note that the two base back parts are tacked with finishing nails through H, and are also screwed up into the carcass

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bottom (see base detail). Add the cleats (K and L) as shown to provide additional backing and strength for the base parts. The end of the cleats are all rounded over (see exploded view) to make them less visible.

Make the top (M) next. Select good, clear, straight-grained boards to minimize wood movement problems in the material you will joint and edge-glue for the top. As indicated in the top edge molding detail, a $\frac{1}{4}$ in. thick by $\frac{1}{2}$ in. long tongue is cut on both ends of the top to fit into a corresponding groove cut into the end moldings (N). Use a $\frac{1}{2}$ in. beading bit, as shown, to fashion the decorative edge on the end molding and on the top front molding (O), and drill out and slot the "breadboard" top end moldings. These moldings are fixed at the front end to permit any expansion or contraction in the solid stock top toward the back exclusively. The breadboard end treatment for the top is designed to eliminate any chance of the end moldings coming off due to expansion and contraction in the top over the years. If you don't mind substituting a hardwood plywood for the top, the breadboard end feature can be eliminated. Another alternate top treatment is to use solid stock, eliminate the molding entirely, and apply the decorative edge bead directly to the top.

Mortise for the 3 in. hinges (W) and mount the top. There should be ample clearance for the molding at both the sides and front. Referring to the base molding detail, use a $\frac{3}{8}$ in. beading bit to cut the decorative edge in parts P and Q, miter as shown and glue in place.

Make the drawer sides (R), back (S), front (T) and bottom (U). Although we used hand cut dovetail construction on the front (refer to the dovetail layout), the drawer may also be simply rabbeted and bradded throughout. We used a plywood bottom, which fits neatly into the $\frac{1}{4}$ in. by $\frac{1}{4}$ in. grooves cut into the front, sides, and back.

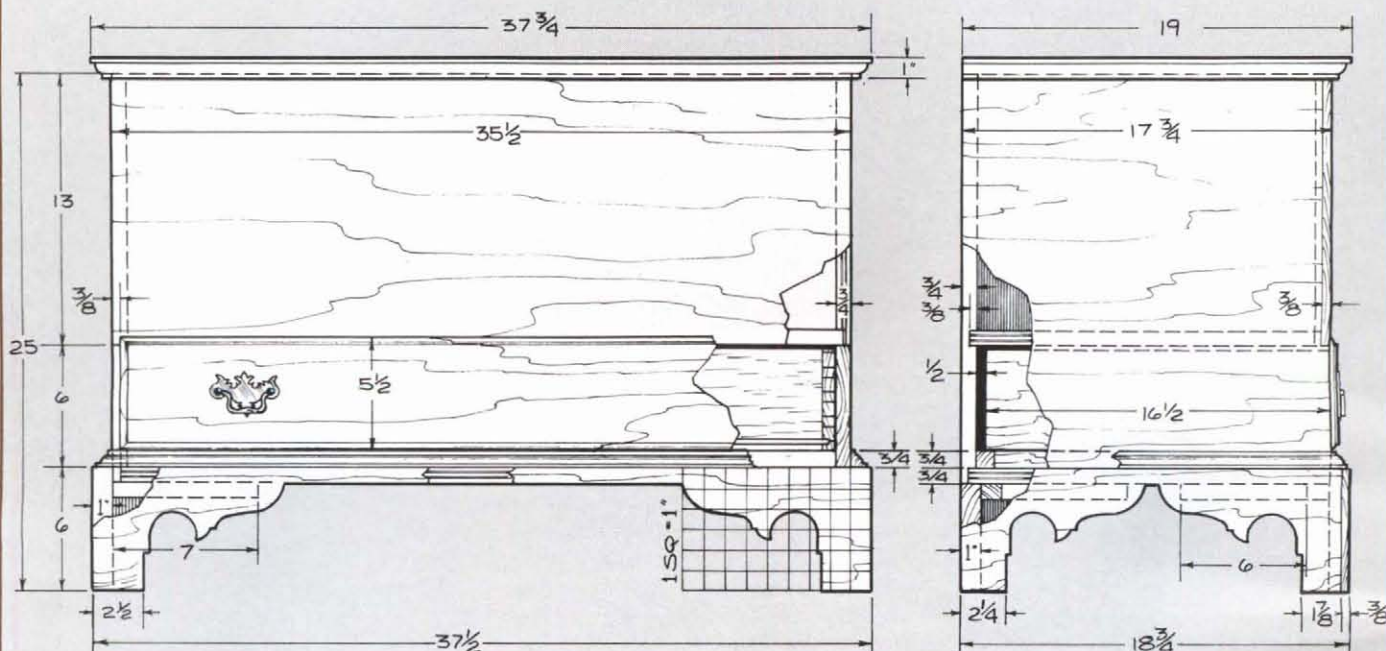
We prefer a natural oil finish, however antiquing kits offer the woodworker who desires that "authentic" look an attractive alternative. Old-fashioned milk paint is another option you may wish to consider. Last of all, mount the solid brass period drawer pulls (V), which provide the right final touch.

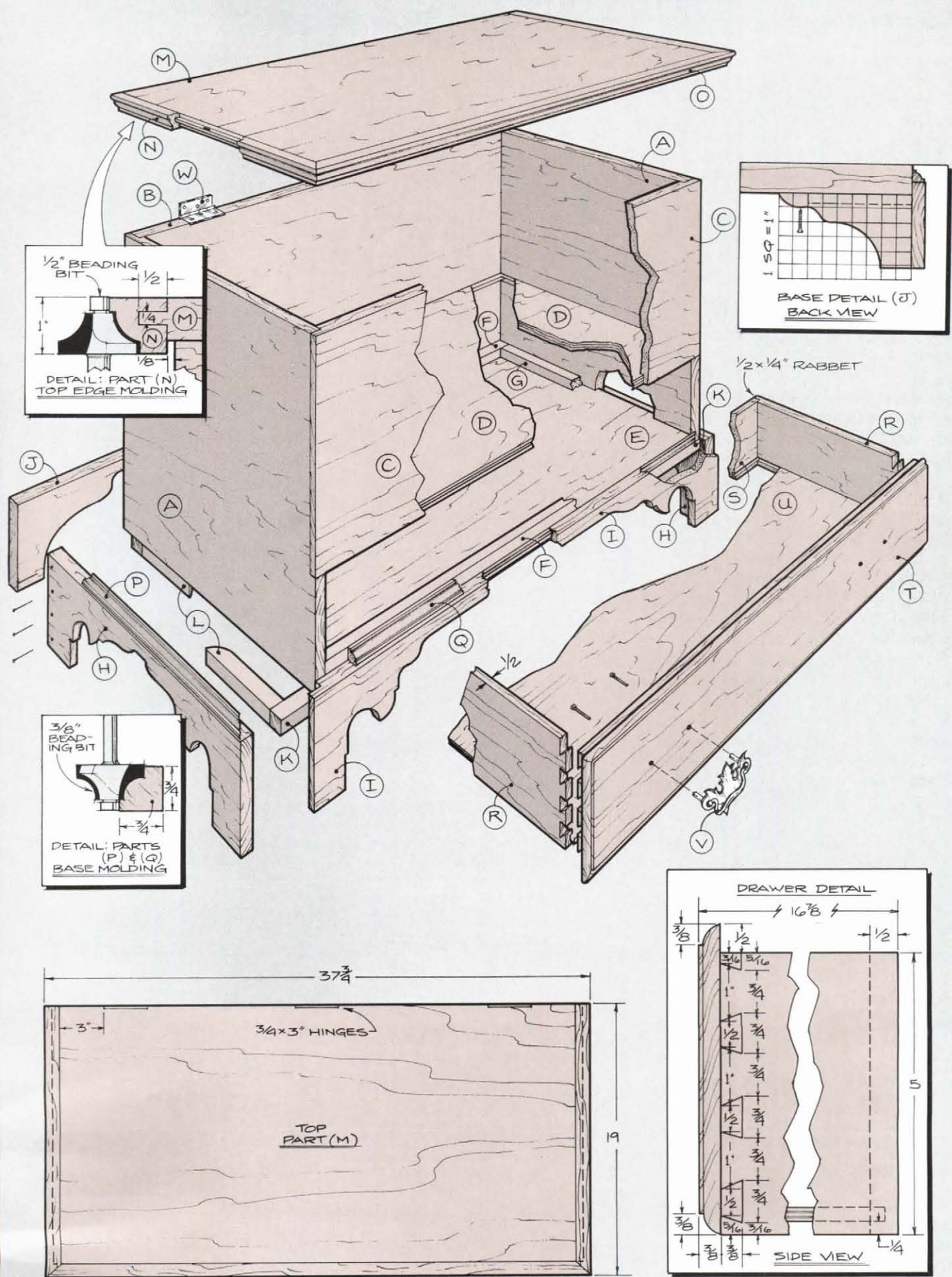
Bill of Materials

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Part	Description	Size	No. Req'd.
A	Side	$\frac{3}{4} \times 19\frac{3}{4} \times 17\frac{3}{4}$	2
B	Back	$\frac{3}{4} \times 19\frac{3}{4} \times 34\frac{3}{4}$	1
C	Front	$\frac{3}{4} \times 13 \times 35\frac{1}{2}$	1
D	Well Bottom	$\frac{3}{4} \times 17 \times 34\frac{3}{4}$	1
E	Carcase Bottom	$\frac{3}{4} \times 17\frac{3}{8} \times 34\frac{3}{4}$	1
F	Long Drawer Spacer	$\frac{3}{4} \times \frac{3}{4} \times 34$	2
G	Short Drawer Spacer	$\frac{3}{4} \times \frac{3}{4} \times 15\frac{1}{2}$	2
H	Base Side	$1 \times 6 \times 18\frac{3}{8}$	2
I	Base Front	$1 \times 6 \times 37\frac{1}{2}$	1
J	Base Back	$1 \times 5\frac{1}{4} \times 9$	2
K	Long Cleat	$\frac{3}{4} \times 1 \times 7$	4
L	Short Cleat	$\frac{3}{4} \times 1 \times 6$	4
M	Top	$\frac{3}{4} \times 18 \times 36\frac{3}{4}$	1
N	Top End Molding	$1 \times 1 \times 19$	2
O	Top Front Molding	$1 \times 1 \times 37\frac{3}{4}$	1
P	Base Side Molding	$\frac{3}{4} \times \frac{3}{4} \times 18\frac{1}{2}$	2
Q	Base Front Molding	$\frac{3}{4} \times \frac{3}{4} \times 37$	1
R	Drawer Side	$\frac{1}{2} \times 5 \times 16\frac{1}{2}$	2
S	Drawer Back	$\frac{1}{2} \times 5 \times 33\frac{1}{2}$	1
T	Drawer Front	$\frac{3}{4} \times 5\frac{1}{2} \times 34\frac{3}{4}$	1
U	Drawer Bottom	$\frac{1}{4} \times 16\frac{1}{8} \times 33\frac{1}{2}$	1
V	Drawer Handles*	3 in. polished brass	2
W	Hinges	$\frac{3}{4} \times 3$ in.	3

*Available from: Paxton Hardware, Ltd.,
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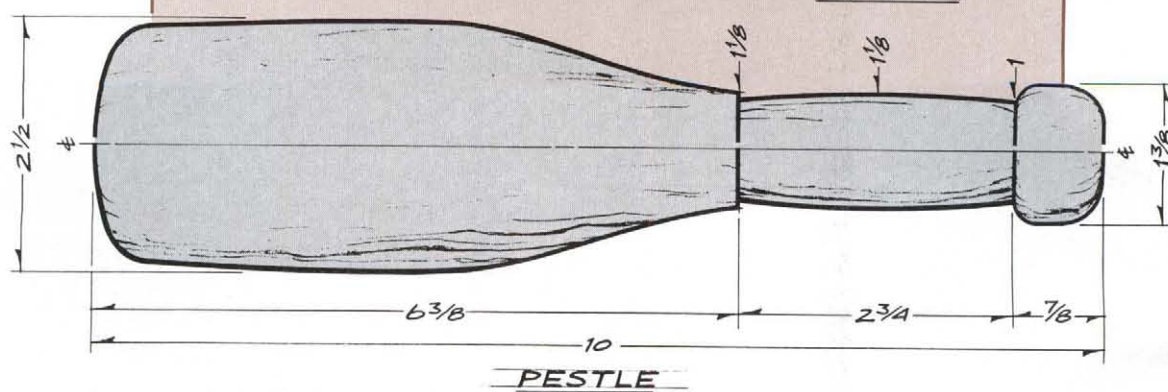
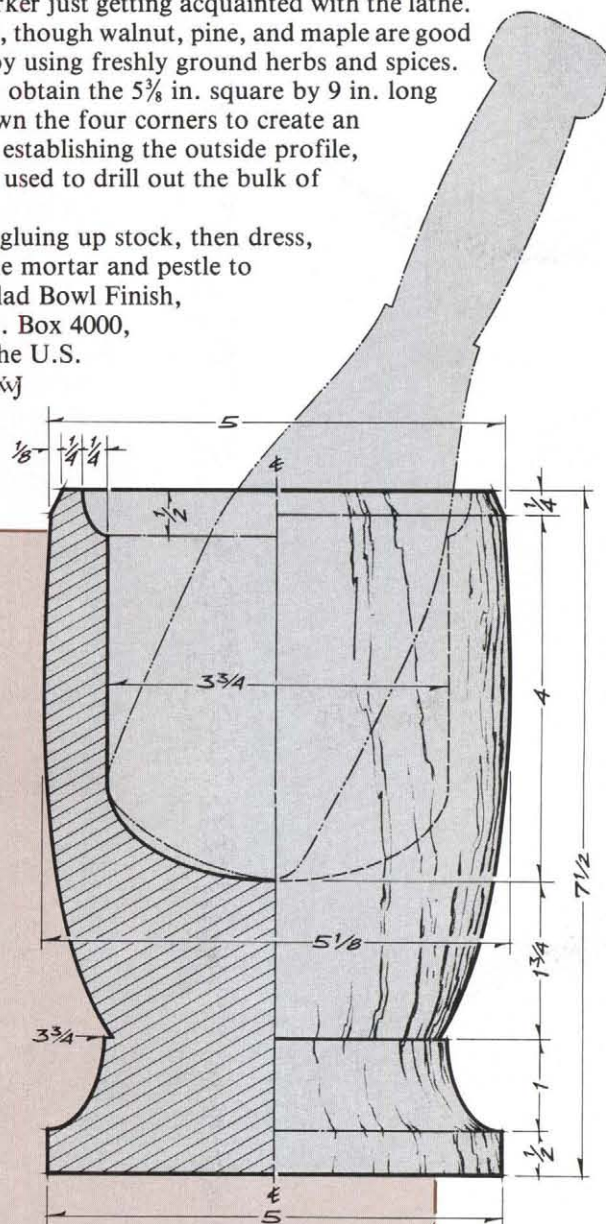
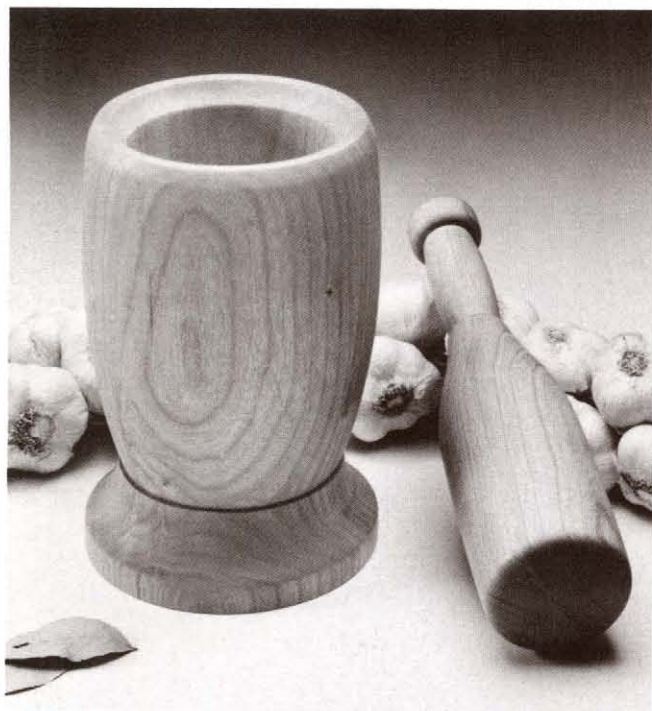


Mortar and Pestle

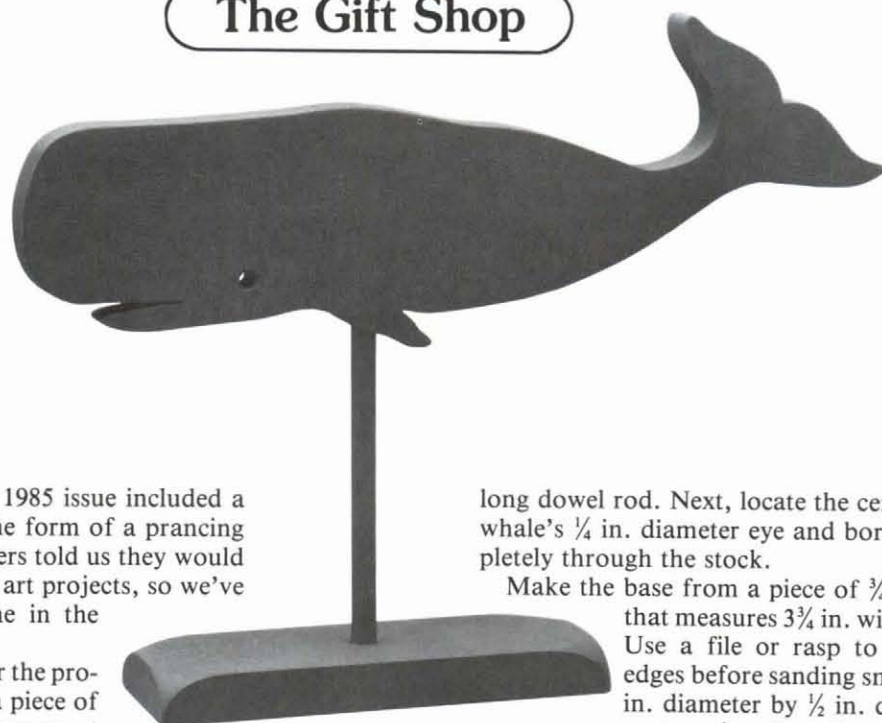
A mortar and pestle is an ideal turning project for the woodworker just getting acquainted with the lathe. Ours, which is based on an antique design, is crafted in cherry, though walnut, pine, and maple are good alternate choices. In the kitchen, it will come in handy if you enjoy using freshly ground herbs and spices.

Start by gluing up three pieces of 2 in. thick stock, sufficient to obtain the 5 7/8 in. square by 9 in. long turning square required for the mortar. Square one end, dress down the four corners to create an octagon, find the center, and mount on the lathe faceplate. After establishing the outside profile, use the round nose to clean the inside. *Tip:* A Forstner bit can be used to drill out the bulk of the inside waste, cutting down on your turning time.

Make the 2 3/4 in. square by 12 in. long pestle turning square by gluing up stock, then dress, center, mount and turn to the indicated dimensions. Trim both the mortar and pestle to their final lengths, and finish with a non-toxic finish. Behlen's Salad Bowl Finish, sold by Woodcraft Supply Corporation, 41 Atlantic Avenue, P.O. Box 4000, Woburn, MA 01888, is a good one. Once dry, it is approved by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration for use in contact with food. 



The Gift Shop



Our September/October 1985 issue included a folk art silhouette in the form of a prancing horse. A number of our readers told us they would like to see more of these folk art projects, so we've added another here, this one in the shape of a sperm whale.

To make the whale, transfer the profile from the grid pattern to a piece of $\frac{3}{4}$ in. thick pine stock that measures at least 5 in. wide and 14 in. long. Use a band or saber saw to cut just outside of the waste side of the marked line, then sand exactly to the line. Bore a $\frac{3}{8}$ in. diameter hole to a depth of about $1\frac{1}{4}$ in. to accept a $\frac{3}{8}$ in. diameter by $6\frac{1}{2}$ in.

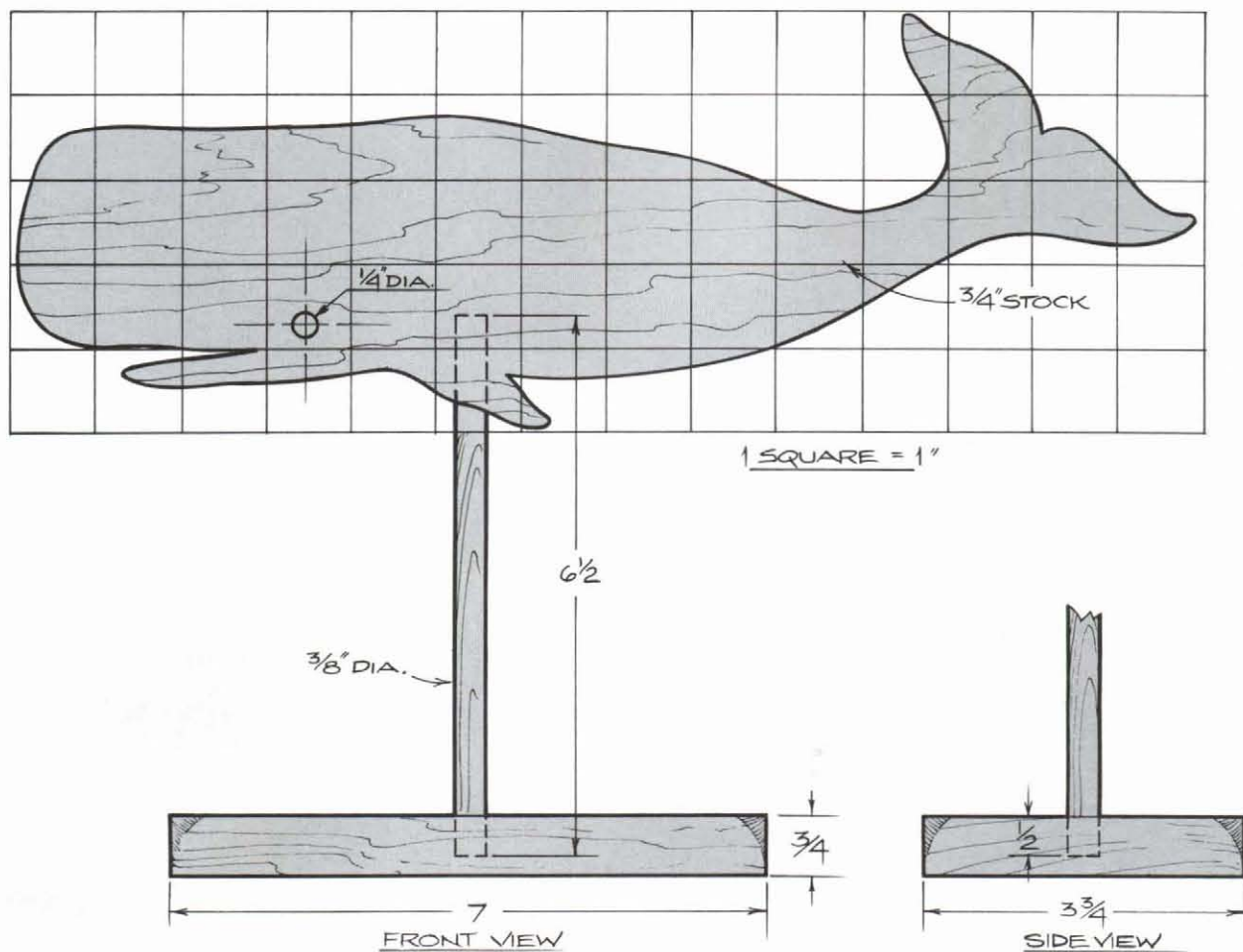
long dowel rod. Next, locate the centerpoint of the whale's $\frac{1}{4}$ in. diameter eye and bore the hole completely through the stock.

Make the base from a piece of $\frac{3}{4}$ in. thick stock that measures $3\frac{3}{4}$ in. wide by 7 in. long. Use a file or rasp to round the top edges before sanding smooth. Bore a $\frac{3}{8}$ in. diameter by $\frac{1}{2}$ in. deep hole at the centerpoint, then glue the dowel rod in place.

Final sand all parts before painting or staining. We finished our whale with two coats of flat gray paint, but any color paint or stain will be acceptable.

Wwj

Whale Folk Art Silhouette



Toy Wagon

This sturdy wagon provides room for a sizable supply of blocks, stuffed animals, books, or any other valued possession that a toddler might enjoy hauling around the house. Except for the birch dowel pins and the plywood bottom, all parts are made from maple, a wood that's both hard and durable.

Make the sides (A) and ends (B) first. Cut $\frac{3}{4}$ in. thick stock to a width of 4 in. and a length of about 54 in. The length dimension allows for some extra stock. Use the dado cutter to cut a $\frac{1}{4}$ in. by $\frac{3}{8}$ in. rabbet all along one edge, then use the regular saw blade to crosscut the stock into four pieces: two pieces 16 in. long (for the sides) and two pieces $9\frac{1}{4}$ in. long (for the ends). Following this, the dado head is once again used, this time to cut the $\frac{3}{4}$ in. by $\frac{3}{4}$ in. rabbet on each end of the sides.

Now, cut the bottom (C) from $\frac{1}{4}$ in. thick birch plywood, making sure the cuts are square. After giving each part a thorough sanding, the sides, ends, and bottom can be assembled. Apply glue to all mating surfaces, then apply pressure with bar or pipe clamps. Check for squareness before setting aside to dry overnight.

You'll need $1\frac{1}{2}$ in. thick stock to make the back axle (D) and the front axle (E). Rip the back axle to a width of $2\frac{3}{4}$ in. and the front axle to a width of 2

in., then cut both parts to a length of $7\frac{1}{2}$ in. At a point $\frac{3}{4}$ in. from the bottom edge of each axle (see side view) bore a $\frac{1}{2}$ in. diameter hole to a depth of 1 in. on each end. On the front axle, use a dado cutter to cut the two $\frac{3}{4}$ in. by $\frac{3}{4}$ in. dados at a point $2\frac{1}{2}$ in. from each end (see front view). At the centerpoint of the top edge (see cross section, front axle assembly) bore a $\frac{3}{8}$ in. diameter hole through the front axle. Then, on the top edge counterbore the hole to $\frac{7}{8}$ in. diameter by $\frac{1}{2}$ in. deep; on the bot-

tom edge counterbore the hole to $1\frac{1}{8}$ in. diameter by $\frac{3}{4}$ in. deep.

To make the spacer (F), cut $\frac{3}{4}$ in. thick stock to $3\frac{1}{2}$ in. square. With a compass scribe a 3 in. diameter circle, then use a band or saber saw to cut it out. Stay just outside the marked line, and after the cut is complete, sand the rough edge exactly to the line. Bore a $\frac{3}{8}$ in. diameter hole at the centerpoint, then counterbore the hole to $\frac{7}{8}$ in. diameter by $\frac{1}{4}$ in. deep. Assemble a $\frac{3}{8}$ in. diameter by $2\frac{1}{2}$ in. long carriage bolt to the spacer (see exploded view), then add a $1\frac{1}{4}$ in. diameter washer and nut to hold it in place. The spacer can now be glued to the underside of the bottom. For maximum glue strength, be sure the grain direction of the spacer runs parallel to the grain direction of the bottom. Clamp firmly to insure a good glue bond.

Cut the two yokes (G) to length and width from $\frac{3}{4}$ in. thick stock before rounding over the front end with a band or saber saw. Sand smooth before gluing and clamping to the front axle as shown. When dry, bore pilot holes and assemble two $1\frac{3}{4}$ in. by no. 8 flathead wood screws in the end of each yoke.

Make and assemble the handle shaft (H) and the handle (I) as shown. The base of the handle shaft is joined to the yoke with a pair of $1\frac{1}{4}$ in. by no. 8 flathead wood screws. Fully tighten the screws then back off about one turn to allow the handle shaft to pivot freely.

Glue and clamp the back axle to the underside of the bottom. When dry, the front axle is assembled to the carriage bolt with a 1 in. diameter washer and a locking nut (most hardware stores carry them).

To make the axle pin (J), cut $\frac{1}{2}$ in. diameter birch dowel stock into four pieces, each piece 2 in. long. Glue into the axle holes as shown.

The four wheels (K) can be turned on the lathe or cut out on the band or saber saw. The cap (L) can be made in the same manner before boring a $\frac{1}{2}$ in. diameter by $\frac{3}{16}$ in. deep hole in each one. Assemble a washer to each axle pin, then add the wheel. The cap is then glued in place. Avoid any glue squeeze out which could cause the cap to stick to the wheel.

Round over all sharp edges before final sanding. No final finish is necessary.

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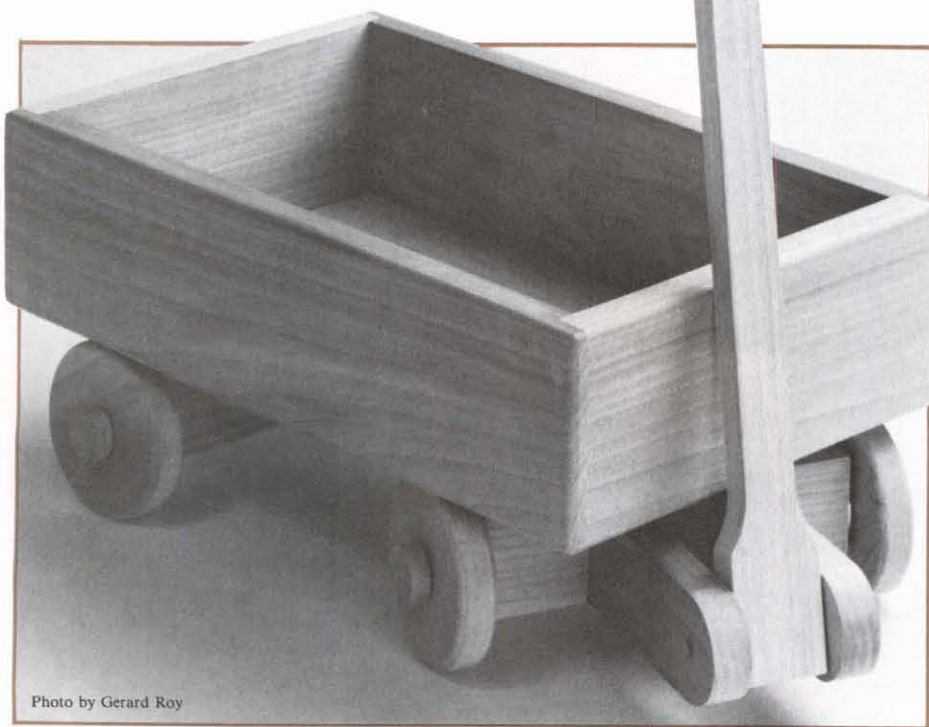
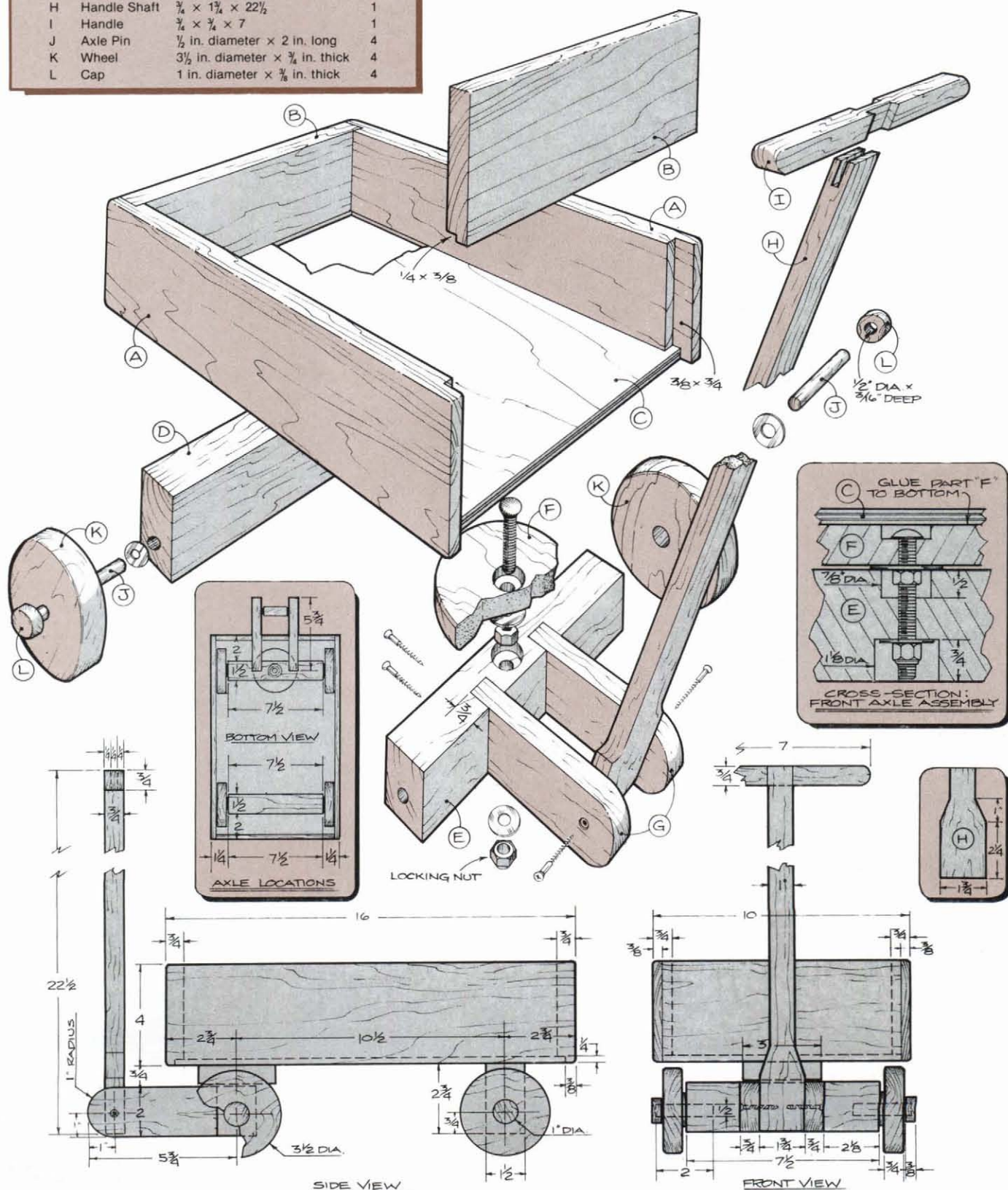


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Bill of Materials (all dimensions actual)

Part	Description	Size	No. Req'd.
A	Side	$\frac{3}{4} \times 4 \times 16$	2
B	End	$\frac{3}{4} \times 4 \times 9\frac{1}{4}$	2
C	Bottom	$\frac{1}{4} \times 9\frac{1}{4} \times 15\frac{1}{4}$	1
D	Back Axle	$1\frac{1}{2} \times 2\frac{3}{4} \times 7\frac{1}{2}$	1
E	Front Axle	$1\frac{1}{2} \times 2 \times 7\frac{1}{2}$	1
F	Spacer	3 in. diameter $\times \frac{3}{4}$ in. thick	1
G	Yoke	$\frac{3}{4} \times 2 \times 5\frac{3}{4}$	2
H	Handle Shaft	$\frac{3}{4} \times 1\frac{1}{4} \times 22\frac{1}{2}$	1
I	Handle	$\frac{3}{4} \times \frac{3}{4} \times 7$	1
J	Axle Pin	$\frac{1}{2}$ in. diameter $\times$ 2 in. long	4
K	Wheel	$3\frac{1}{2}$ in. diameter $\times \frac{3}{4}$ in. thick	4
L	Cap	1 in. diameter $\times \frac{3}{8}$ in. thick	4



Even though much of the commercial cranberry crop is harvested by machine, the old-fashioned cranberry rake is still used to some extent. This miniature version of the cranberry rake is ideal for displaying dried flowers or for storing some small odds and ends. A small hole bored through the back enables it to be hung on a wall. The tines are made from birch dowel stock, while the remaining parts are made from pine.

To make the two sides (A) you'll need to hand plane thicker stock in order to get the $\frac{3}{8}$ in. thickness. Next, cut the stock to a width of 3 in. and a length of $5\frac{5}{8}$ in., then transfer the grid pattern from the drawing to the stock. Cut out on the band or jig saw, staying just outside the marked line, then sand exactly to the line. The front (B) and the bottom (D) are also made from $\frac{3}{8}$ in. thick stock.

To make the back (C), cut $\frac{1}{2}$ in. thick stock to length and width, then lay out and mark the location of the $\frac{1}{4}$ in. diameter by $\frac{3}{8}$ in. deep holes to accept the tines (E). Cut the tines to a length of $3\frac{1}{2}$ in. before gluing in place. When dry, clamp the back in a vise, then use a belt sander to bevel the end of each tine.

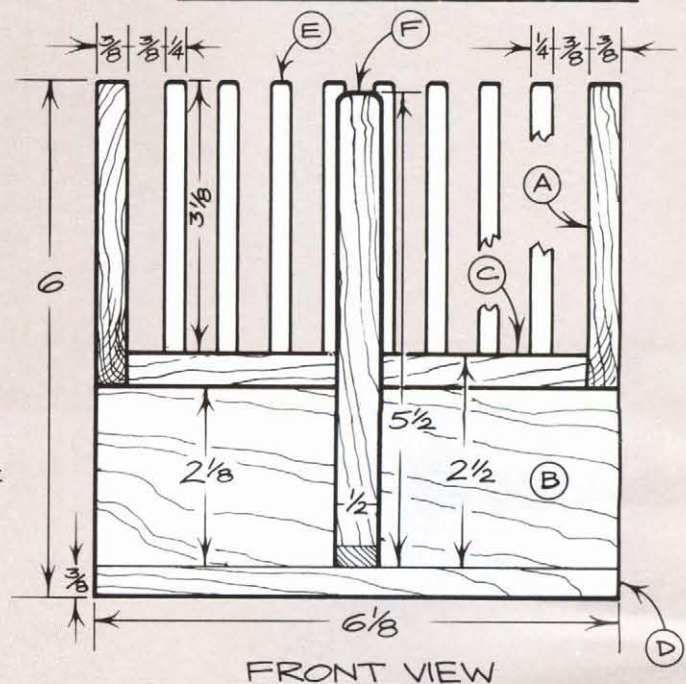
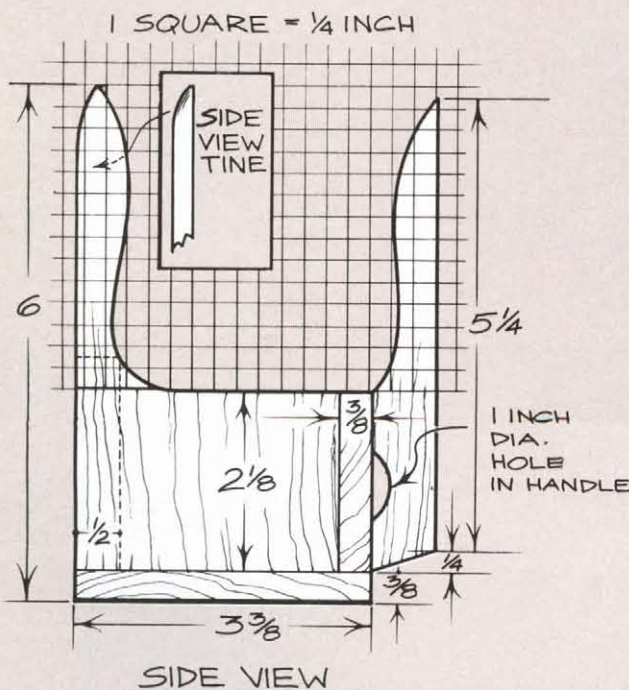
Make the handle as shown, then attach it to the front with glue and a pair of finishing nails driven from the back side. Now assemble the front, back, sides, and bottom with glue and countersunk finishing nails. Fill the countersunk holes and sand smooth.

Final sand all parts before staining. Allow the stain to dry thoroughly, then apply two coats of a penetrating oil.

Wvj

Cranberry Rake

Bill of Materials (all dimensions actual)			
Part	Description	Size	No. Req'd.
A	Side	$\frac{3}{8} \times 3 \times 5\frac{5}{8}$	2
B	Front	$\frac{3}{8} \times 2\frac{1}{8} \times 6\frac{1}{8}$	1
C	Back	$\frac{1}{2} \times 2\frac{1}{2} \times 5\frac{5}{8}$	1
D	Bottom	$\frac{3}{8} \times 3\frac{3}{8} \times 6\frac{1}{8}$	1
E	Tine	$\frac{1}{4}$ diameter $\times$ $3\frac{1}{2}$ long	8
F	Handle	$\frac{1}{2} \times \frac{3}{4} \times 5\frac{1}{2}$	1



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The finger joints create a strong, attractive case, but a simple butt or rabbetted joint can be substituted if desired. Except for the birch plywood, we used cherry for all parts, although other kinds of wood, even pine, are acceptable.

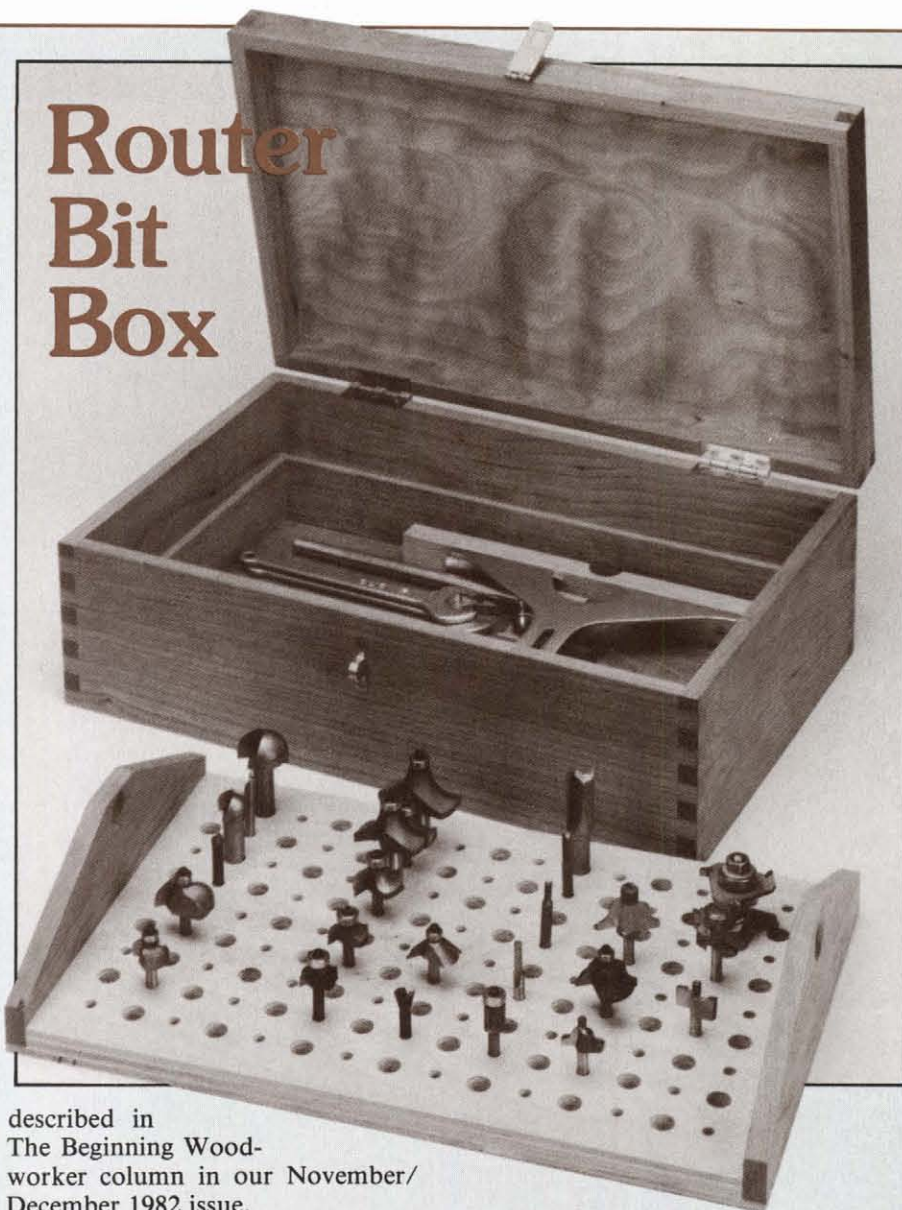
To make the box frame (consisting of parts A, B, C, D, E, and F), you'll need a piece of $\frac{1}{2}$ in. thick stock that measures $6\frac{3}{8}$ in. wide and 60 in. long. Both the width and length dimensions allow a little extra stock. Next, crosscut the stock into two pieces 18 in. long and two pieces $11\frac{1}{2}$ in. long.

Using the router, cut a $\frac{1}{4}$ in. by $\frac{1}{4}$ in. groove in each piece to accept the bottom (H). On the 18 in. lengths, this groove must be stopped at a point $\frac{1}{4}$ in. from each end. Use a hand chisel to square the rounded corners at the ends of the grooves. On the $11\frac{1}{2}$ in. lengths, the groove is not stopped but rather it is cut along the entire length of the stock.

Still using the router, cut the $\frac{1}{4}$ in. by $\frac{1}{4}$ in. rabbet along the top edge of each piece to accept the top (G). Like the groove, the rabbet on the 18 in. lengths must be stopped $\frac{1}{4}$ in. from each end, while the rabbet on the $11\frac{1}{2}$ in. stock is cut along the entire length of the stock.

The finger joints can now be cut on each end. Although they can be cut individually using a regular saw blade on the table saw, you'll save time by using a finger joint jig in conjunction with a dado cutter. This easy-to-make jig was

Router Bit Box



described in The Beginning Woodworker column in our November/December 1982 issue.

Next, cut the bottom (H) from $\frac{1}{4}$ in. thick birch plywood. Make sure the corners are square. Once the bottom is cut, dry assemble the four frame parts and the bottom. If all looks okay, apply a thin coat of paste (Butcher's) wax to the inside corners of the frame. We it simplifies clean up if any glue squeezes out during

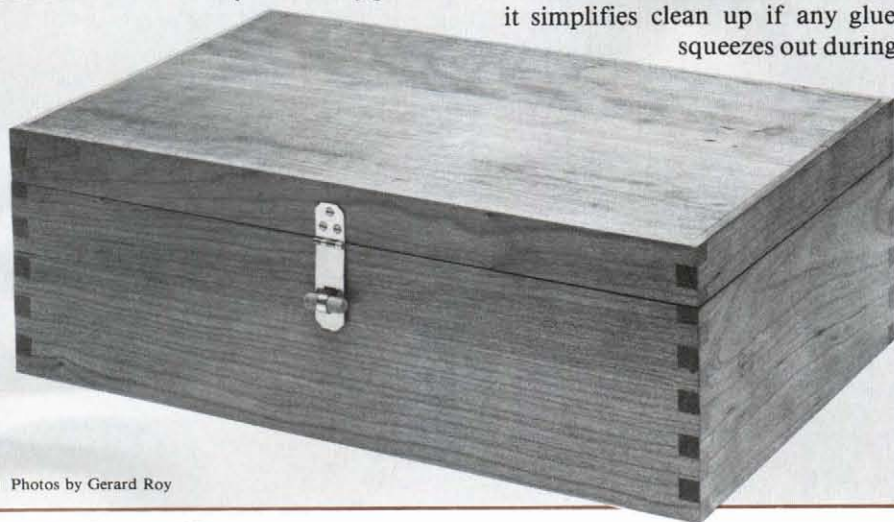
assembly. The wax can be removed with acetone before the final finish is applied.

Disassemble the dry fit-up, then apply a thin coat of glue to the fingers and to the edges of the plywood. Clamp firmly to insure a good glue bond and check for squareness. Set aside to dry overnight.

When dry, remove the clamps, then measure the opening for the $\frac{1}{4}$ in. thick birch plywood top (G). This must be an exact fit, so make the measurements with care. It's a good idea to cut the stock slightly oversized so that one or two subsequent trimming cuts can be made to get the top to fit just right.

Once the top is cut to your satisfaction, apply glue to the rabbet and assemble it to the frame. Use clamps to apply pressure, then set aside to dry.

The table saw is used to cut the frame around its perimeter, thus (continued on next page)



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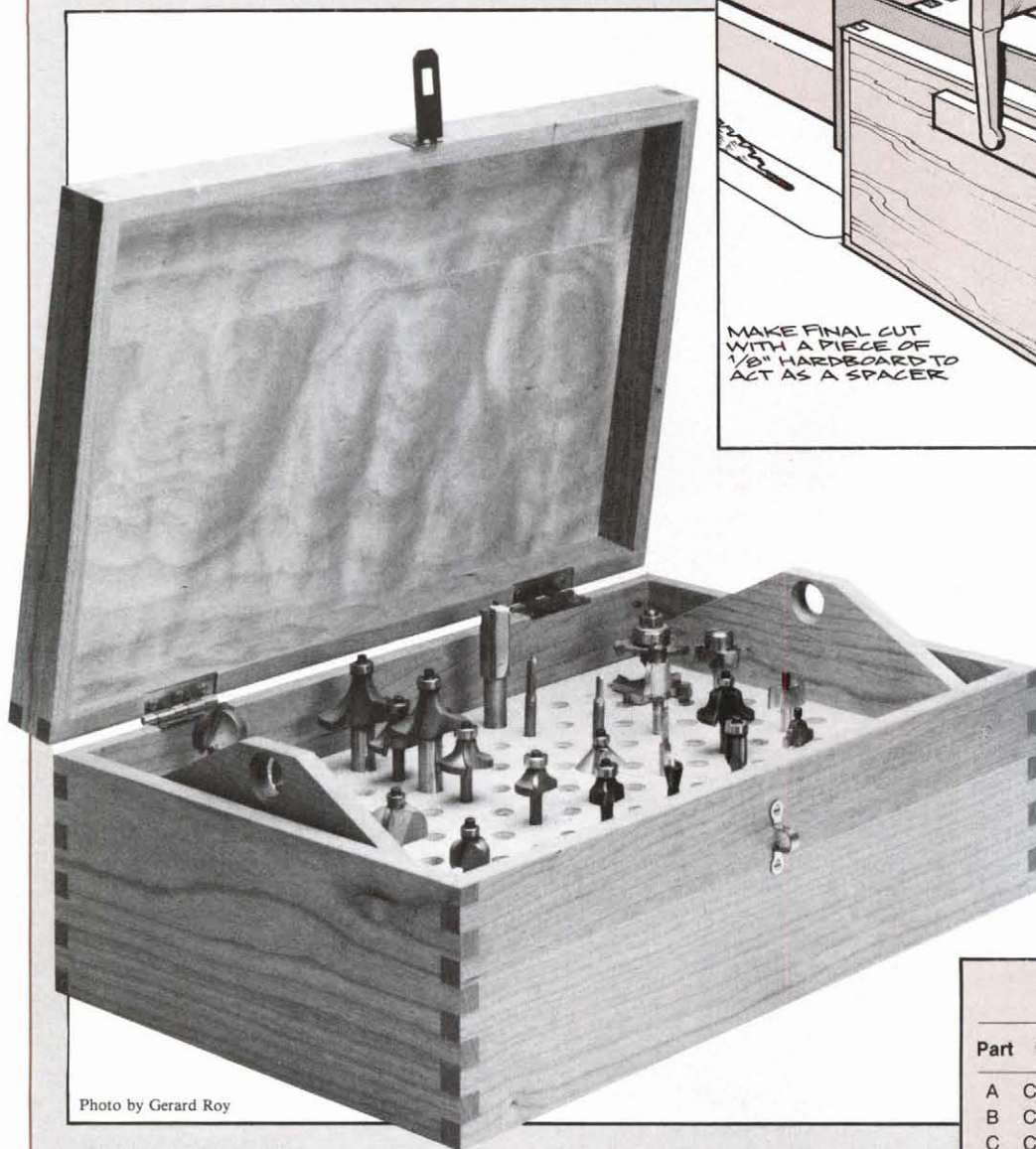
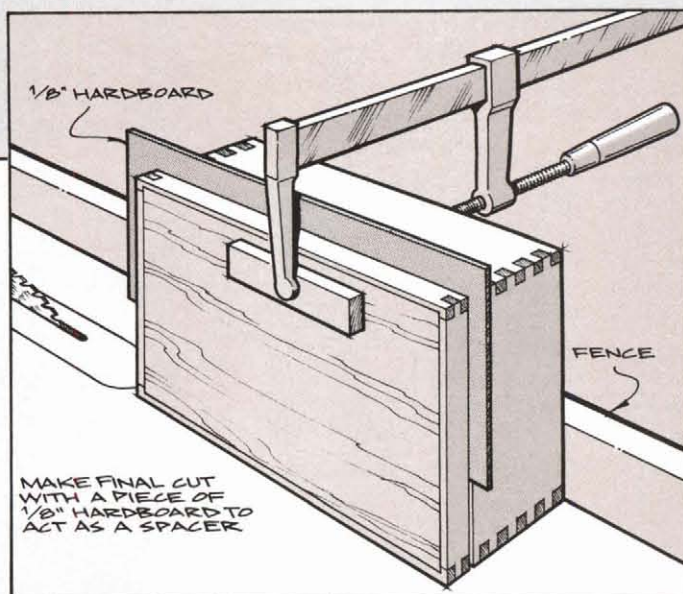


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creating the case (parts A, B, C, and H) and the lid (parts D, E, F, and G). To do this, raise the saw blade to a height of $\frac{3}{8}$ in. and locate the rip fence $4\frac{7}{8}$ in. from the blade. Now, with one of the $11\frac{1}{2}$ in. long sides on the table and the bottom against the rip fence, run the frame through the blade to make the first cut. Following this, flip the box so that the other $11\frac{1}{2}$ in. long side is face down on the saw table and repeat the cut. The third and fourth cuts are made with the 18 in. long surface on the table. When making the fourth and final cut, insert a piece of $\frac{1}{8}$ in. thick hardboard between the saw kerfs. The hardboard will keep the kerf from closing up and binding on the blade. Use a clamp to hold it in place as the cut is

made (see illustration). When locating the fence for the cuts that will remove the top from the case, the saw blade should cut a kerf that is centered on the glue line between the third and fourth finger joints (from the top edge). After sanding, the third and fourth finger joints will be reduced to about $\frac{3}{8}$ in. thickness.

The front and back spacers (I) and the side spacers (J) can now be cut to size and glued in place. Use glue sparingly to avoid squeeze-out along the top edge.

The holder (K) is made from $\frac{3}{4}$ in. thick birch plywood. If you have a $\frac{1}{16}$ in. diameter twist drill bit, it makes an ideal hole for $\frac{1}{4}$ in. shank router bits. The holder handle (L) is simply glued

Bill of Materials (all dimensions actual)			
Part	Description	Size	No. Req'd.
A	Case Front	$\frac{1}{2} \times 4\frac{7}{8} \times 18$	1
B	Case Back	$\frac{1}{2} \times 4\frac{7}{8} \times 18$	1
C	Case Side	$\frac{1}{2} \times 4\frac{7}{8} \times 11\frac{1}{2}$	2
D	Lid Front	$\frac{1}{2} \times 1\frac{7}{8} \times 18$	1
E	Lid Back	$\frac{1}{2} \times 1\frac{7}{8} \times 18$	1
F	Lid Side	$\frac{1}{2} \times 1\frac{7}{8} \times 11\frac{1}{2}$	2
G	Top	$\frac{1}{4} \times 11 \times 17\frac{1}{2}$	1
H	Bottom	$\frac{1}{4} \times 11 \times 17\frac{1}{2}$	1
I	Front/Back Spacer	$\frac{1}{4} \times 2\frac{1}{8} \times 17$	2
J	Side Spacer	$\frac{1}{4} \times 2\frac{1}{8} \times 10$	2
K	Holder	$\frac{3}{4} \times 10\frac{3}{8} \times 16\frac{3}{8}$	1
L	Holder Handle	$\frac{1}{2} \times 3\frac{1}{16} \times 10\frac{3}{8}$	2
M	Hinge	1×2	2
N	Hasp	$\frac{3}{4} \times 3$	1

to the $\frac{1}{2}$ in. by $\frac{1}{2}$ in. rabbet cut in the ends of the holder.

Final sand, then add the hinges (M) and the hasp (N). We use a $\frac{1}{4}$ in. diameter wooden peg to keep the lid closed, but a padlock can be added if desired. Two coats of polyurethane varnish will make a good final finish.

WJ



SHAKER

Single Drop-leaf Table

This small single drop-leaf table, made from butternut, is part of the collection at Hancock Shaker Village in Hancock, Massachusetts. The original incorporated what appeared to be a handmade brass leaf support, but since such a piece of hardware would be difficult to make and impossible to buy, we've substituted a traditional wooden design.

Several of the parts are made from either $\frac{3}{8}$ in. or $\frac{1}{2}$ in. thick stock. If you don't have a thickness planer, your local millwork shop or lumberyard may be able to plane down thicker stock for you. Although the original is butternut, we've seen similar Shaker tables in both pine and cherry.

The four legs (A) can be made first. Rip each piece to a $1\frac{1}{2}$ in. square and cut to a length of about 28 in. Using the lathe, taper each leg to the dimensions

shown in the front and side views. Note that the taper starts at a point 8 in. from the top end of the leg. Establish the $26\frac{1}{8}$ in. overall length while on the lathe, then remove the piece and make the final cut with a hand saw.

Next, on each leg, lay out and mark the location of the various mortises. As shown in the side view, the two left side legs have mortises cut to accept the two side aprons (B) and the end apron (C), while the two right side legs have mortises cut to accept the side aprons and the two stretchers (D). Refer to the tenon detail for all mortise dimensions.

To make the side and end aprons, you'll need a 50 in. length of $\frac{1}{2}$ in. thick by $5\frac{1}{4}$ in. wide stock. Use a router and a $\frac{3}{16}$ in. beading bit to cut the beading along the full length of the bottom edge, then crosscut the stock into two 19 in. lengths (for the side aprons) and

one 11 in. length (for the end apron). The tenons are cut to the dimensions shown in the tenon detail. They can be cut on the table saw, either with the dado cutter or by making repeated passes with a regular saw blade.

The left side apron has a long notch cut in it to accept the leaf support (E). Cut the notch with a band or saber saw, then use sandpaper to smooth the saw marks. The leaf support can now be cut to fit the notch.

The two stretchers can be made next. Use the router table and a $\frac{3}{16}$ in. beading bit to cut the bead on the lower stretcher only. When making the beading cut on the router table, be sure to use a push stick and keep hands away from the cutter. The tenons are cut on the table saw to the dimensions shown in the tenon detail.

After a thorough sanding, the legs,

Bill of Materials (all dimensions actual)

Part	Description	Size	No. Req'd.
A	Leg	1 $\frac{3}{8}$ x 1 $\frac{3}{8}$ x 26 $\frac{1}{8}$	4
B	Side Apron	$\frac{5}{8}$ x 5 $\frac{1}{4}$ x 19*	2
C	End Apron	$\frac{5}{8}$ x 5 $\frac{1}{4}$ x 11*	1
D	Stretcher	$\frac{5}{8}$ x 1 x 11*	2
E	Leaf Support	$\frac{5}{8}$ x $\frac{3}{4}$ x 12	1
F	Long Side Cleat	$\frac{3}{4}$ x 1 x 18	1
G	End Cleat	$\frac{3}{4}$ x 1 x 10	2
H	Short Side Cleat	$\frac{3}{4}$ x 1 x 2 $\frac{1}{2}$	2
I	Drawer Runner	$\frac{3}{4}$ x 1 $\frac{1}{8}$ x 19 $\frac{1}{2}$	2
J	Drawer Front	$\frac{3}{4}$ x 3 $\frac{3}{4}$ x 10	1
K	Drawer Side	$\frac{3}{8}$ x 3 $\frac{3}{4}$ x 19 $\frac{3}{4}$	2
L	Drawer Back	$\frac{3}{8}$ x 3 $\frac{3}{4}$ x 10	1
M	Drawer Bottom	$\frac{3}{8}$ x 9 $\frac{5}{8}$ x 19 $\frac{1}{2}$	1
N	Drawer Knob	see detail	1
O	Top	$\frac{5}{8}$ x 14 $\frac{3}{4}$ x 30	1
P	Leaf	$\frac{5}{8}$ x 12 $\frac{3}{8}$ x 30	1
Q	Hinge	2 $\frac{7}{8}$ x 1 $\frac{1}{2}$	2

*Length includes tenons.

table saw and dado cutter to cut the $\frac{3}{4}$ in. by $\frac{3}{4}$ in. notch on each end. With the notches cut, the runners can be glued in place.

You'll probably need to edge-glue stock in order to get the widths necessary for the top (O) and the leaf (P). Allow a little extra both on the length and width so that later, after the glue has dried, the stock can be trimmed to the exact dimensions. The rule joint is cut using the router in conjunction with $\frac{1}{2}$ in. round-over and cove bits. For a detailed discussion on how to cut this joint, refer to the Special Techniques article in our July/August 1985 issue. The two drop-leaf hinges (Q), which are mortised in place, are available from Woodcraft Supply, 41 Atlantic Ave., Woburn, MA 01888 (order part no. 16R42-PH, current price \$6.75 per pair, postpaid).

The drawer (parts J, K, L, M, and

N) is made as shown. Note that the bottom is made from $\frac{3}{8}$ in. thick solid stock and that the grain runs from front to back. Since the bottom must be free to expand with changes in humidity, it cannot be glued into the groove all around. Instead, only apply a narrow band of glue (about 1 in. long) at the midpoint of the front and back edges. This will serve to hold the bottom in place while allowing movement on each side of the glue area.

Final sand all parts then join the top to the base with 1 $\frac{1}{4}$ in. by no. 8 round head wood screws driven up through the slotted holes in the cleats. A washer under the screw head will prove helpful.

A good penetrating oil makes an attractive final finish for a piece like this. A vigorous rubdown with a soft cloth will complete the project. WJ

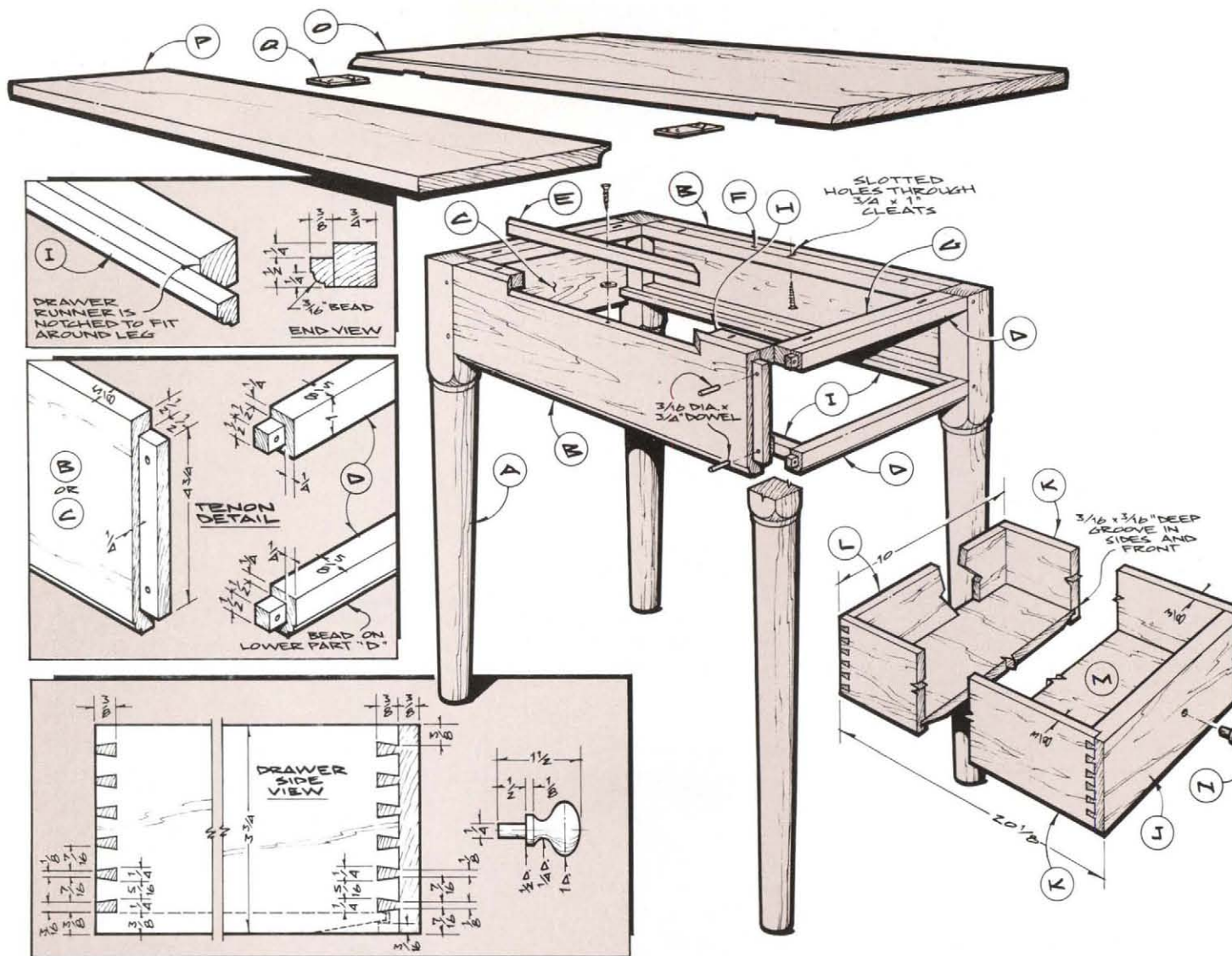
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aprons, and stretchers can be assembled. First dry assemble the parts to insure that all components fit to your satisfaction. If everything looks in order, apply glue to the mortises and tenons and apply pressure with bar or pipe clamps. Check for squareness and make adjustments if necessary, then set the project aside to dry overnight.

To make the cleats you'll need to rip $\frac{3}{4}$ in. thick stock to 1 in. widths. Cut the long side cleat (F) to an 18 in. length, the two end cleats (G) to 10 in. lengths, and the two short side cleats (H) to 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ in. lengths. As shown in the exploded view, slotted holes are cut in each cleat: three in each long side cleat, two in the end cleats, and one in each of the short side cleats. Note that the slots are cut across the grain in the side cleats and parallel to the grain in the end cleats. Each slot, which measures $\frac{3}{16}$ in. wide by $\frac{1}{2}$ in. long, can be made by boring two or three $\frac{3}{16}$ in. diameter holes, then forming an elongated hole with a round file. Once the slots are cut the cleats can be glued to the aprons. When gluing, make sure the top edges of the cleats are flush with the top edges of the aprons.

To make the two drawer runners (I), rip $\frac{3}{4}$ in. thick stock to a width of 1 $\frac{1}{8}$ in., then cut the stock into two pieces, each one about 21 in. long. The length dimension allows for some extra stock. Use the router table and a $\frac{3}{16}$ in. beading bit to cut the bead as shown. Following this, flip the stock over and, using a $\frac{3}{8}$ in. straight bit, cut the $\frac{1}{4}$ in. by $\frac{3}{8}$ in. groove as shown in the end view detail. Now trim the parts to a final length of 19 $\frac{1}{2}$ in., then use the



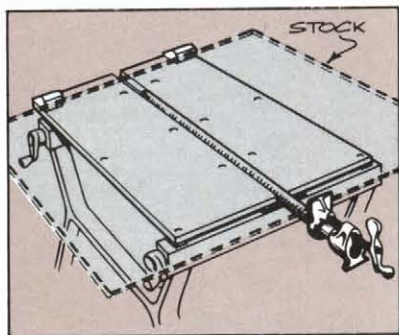


Shop Tips

Pegboard hooks get loose and often fall out when removing a tool. I've found that a dab of hot-melt glue from a glue gun will hold them in place. Should you need to change the location of the hook, just cut through the glue with a sharp knife.

*James Ganotes
Los Angeles, Calif.*

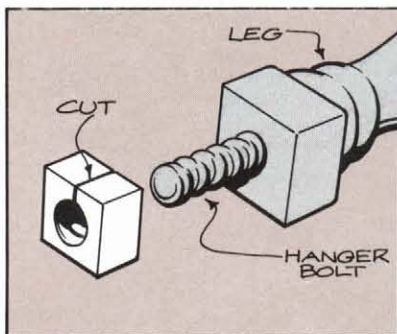
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I was recently faced with the task of salvaging hanger bolts from the ends of some chair legs. A pair of pliers would damage the threads, so a better

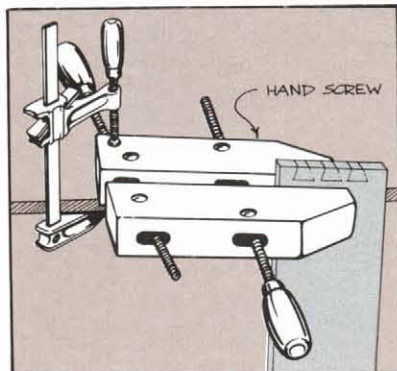


way was needed. To solve the problem, I found a nut with a matching thread, then used a hacksaw to make a cut to the center. The nut was threaded to the

hanger bolt, then it was clamped in a vise so that the saw cut closed up. I was then able to turn the chair leg and unscrew the hanger bolt.

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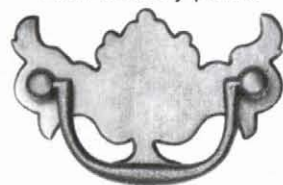
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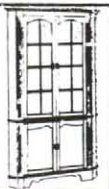
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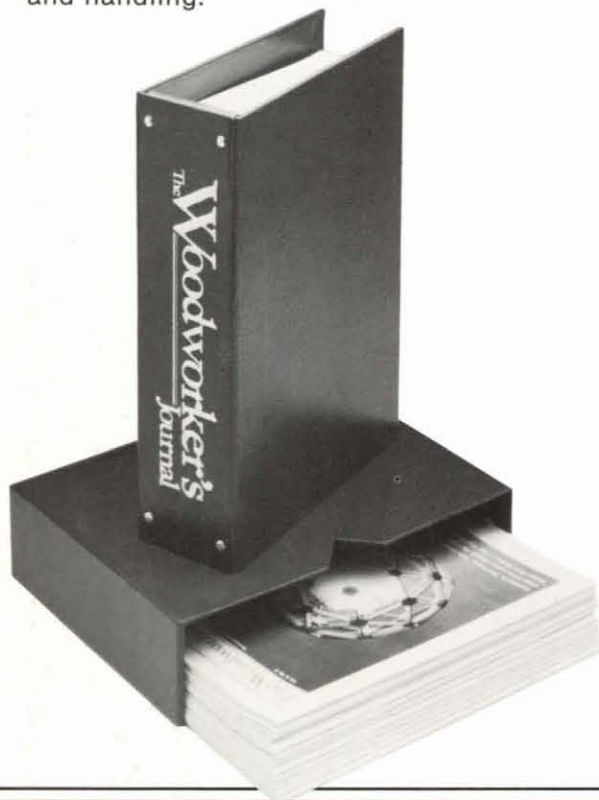
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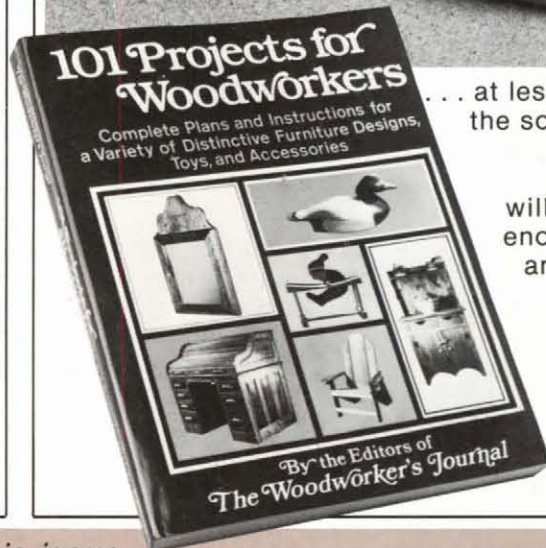
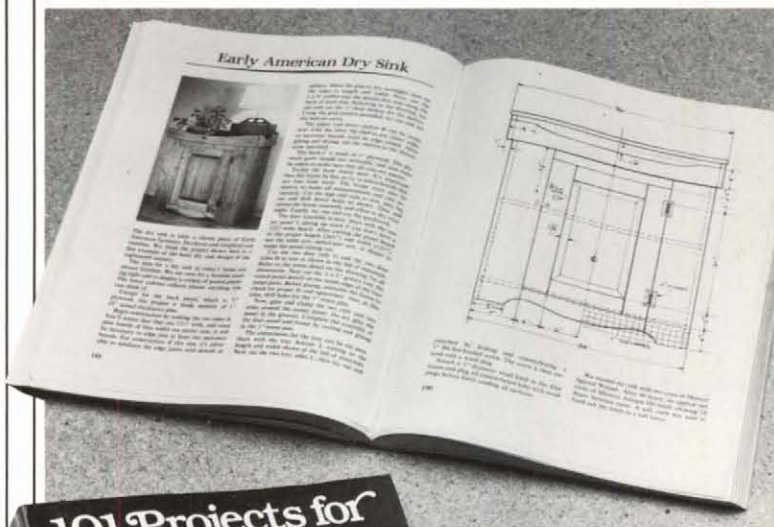
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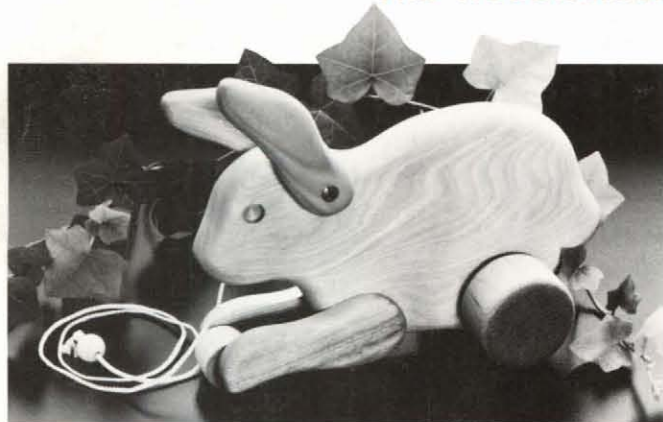
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