

Tool Caddy Project

Building Time: 2-3 hours

Age Level: 10 and up

<u>Materials</u>:

-2- 1" x 8" x 24" for sides
-1- 1" x 8" x 22 ½" for bottom
-2- 1" x 8" x 12" for ends
-16 2" nails
-1 ³/₄" dowel rod
-Fine sandpaper
-Saw
-Hammer
-Drill
-(Optional) Paint/stain and brush



Procedure:

Part 1: Cutting

- 1. Saw each of the pieces (see the materials list).
- 2. Cut the dowel rod to a 24" length.
- 3. Sand down all the pieces

Part 2: Optional

Paint/stain the pieces and let dry

Part 3: Pre- Assembly (see Diagram A)

- 1. Make a dot in the center of the 2 end pieces $1\frac{1}{2}$ inches from the top.
- 2. Drill holes with a $\frac{3}{4}$ " diameter bit for the tool holder and side pieces.

Part 4: Assembly *(see Diagram B)*

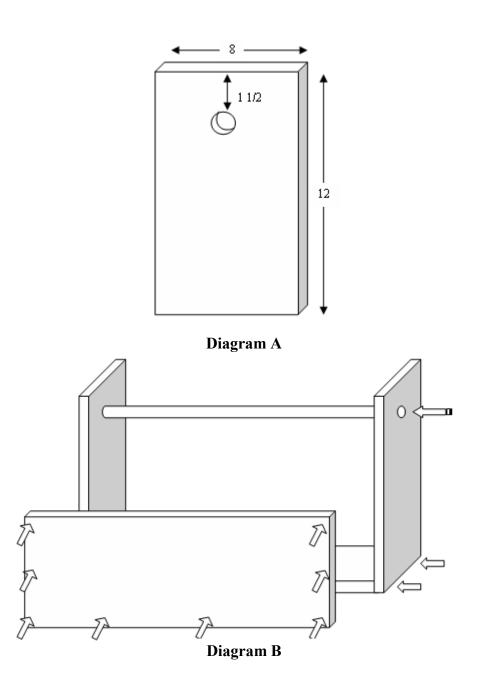
- 1. Tap the dowel into the hole near the top of each end piece to make the handle.
- 2. Fit the bottom piece evenly at the bottom between the 2 end pieces, parallel to the dowel.
- 3. Fasten the end pieces to the bottom piece with 2 nails at each end.
- 4. Fit each side piece to the end and bottom pieces.

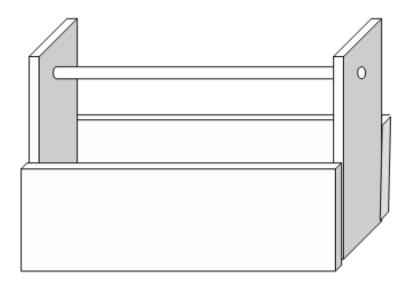
- 5. Put 4 nails evenly spaced out into the side piece along the length of the bottom.
- 6. Put 2 nails in either end of the side pieces.

Part 5: Optional

Decorate the tool caddy (use paint, markers, etc.)

Also, consider other ways to use this project (example: flower box). Be creative!





Completed Tool Caddy