

## Making a Simple Box

Purchase a pine board from Lowes  
craft wood 3/8" thick 6x36 inches less than \$5.00  
The wood is actually 5 1/2 inches wide x36

TOP 5 1/2 width 8 1/2 inches	BOTTOM 5 1/2 width 8 1/2 inches		FRONT 2 1/2 inches 7 1/4 inches	SIDE 2 1/2 inches 3 3/4"	Lip
		BACK 2 1/2 inches 7 1/4 inches	SIDE 2 1/2 inches 3 3/4"		

- (2) Mark the board with correct dimensions
- (3) I cut my boards with a ban saw and use a fence to make sure all the sides are the same dimensions. If you do not have a ban saw, use your scroll saw I usually cut several boards at one time.
- (4) Rout the bottom and top---or round over the edges with sanding
- (5) I then hold the sides of the box together and mark the inside of the box. This gives you the size the design must fit in order that the lip will cover the fret work design

CHOOSING A PATTERN FOR THE TOP ---I USE PICTURES, FRETWORK DESIGNS OR STENCILS PURCHASED IN HOBBY LOBBY OR MICHAELS. Remember that this design must fit within the lip dimension.

- (6) Stain all pieces with color of choice. **CLEAN ALL SAWDUST FROM PIECES BEFORE STAINING**
  - (7) Glue the box sides together ---after glueing I clamp the inside of the boxes with precision corners by **FAST by Jevons Tool Co. [www.jevonstoolco.com](http://www.jevonstoolco.com)** I also clamp the outside to hold the sides tightly together. Leave clamped for a couple of hours
  - (8) Mark the inside deminsion of the box for the final lip. After cutting the lip make sure it falls easily through the box sides.
  - (9) Stain the lip
  - (10) Glue the box to the bottom ---if the bottom of the sides are not completely flat, sand the underside til flat. I use a disc sander Remember to sand the bottom only so that your stain is not ruined on top ---clean off the new saw dust.
  - (11) Glue the lip on the underside of the box top
  - (12) Finish ----I use Valspar High gloss Laquer purchased at Lowes found with other spray paints
- REMEMBER TO RUB THE FINISH WITH A BROWN PAPER BAG BETWEEN EACH COATS OF SPRAY**