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## PLEASE READ ALL INSTRUCTIONS BEFORE STARTING



#### YOUR KIT CONTAINS:

- Precut Wooden Pieces
- Nails
- Sandpaper
- Instructions

#### **YOU WILL NEED:**

- Flat work surface
- Glue
- Brushes
- Hammer
- Paint or Stain

PREP TIME: 10 minutes
PROJECT TIME: 60 minutes

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## **INSTRUCTIONS:**

- 1. **a.** Sand all parts until smooth. Wipe off excess dust with a soft cloth.
  - **b.** Stain or paint all pieces before assembly.
  - c. Indoor projects may be left unfinished to create a rustic or country look. If you desire a shiny look, you may brush on one or two coats of decoupage finish. Let each coat dry thouroughly before applying more. Brushes clean easily with soap and water.
- 2. **a.** Place a small amount of glue in the holes of the sides and insert the dowel.
  - **b.** Glue and then nail the front piece to the flat front edges of the sides.
- 3. Glue and nail the backboard to the backs of the side pieces, being sure they are all flush on the bottom.
- 4. Turn rack over. Glue and nail the base to the bottom edges of the front piece and sides. Refer to the illustration. Let dry 25 minutes.

### **GENERAL WOOD INSTRUCTIONS:**

#### **SANDING**

The rule of sanding is "Never across the grain."

- 1. Do not tear sandpaper. If you do, the ragged edges will often scratch the wood surface.
- 2. For flat surfaces, wrap a piece of sandpaper around a block of wood or use a store bought holder. Start with a coarse grade of paper and finish with a fine grade paper (not included).
- 3. Be consistent. Do not sand one area with fine paper and another with coarse grade paper.

#### STAINING

- 1. Be sure the wood surface is smooth and clean. Stains can accentuate any roughness or scratches of cross grain sanding. Wipe off any dirt or dust with a soft cloth.
- 2. A base coat of sealer/primer and a light sanding before applying stain will ensure a uniform stain.
- 3. Apply stains in one direction following the wood grain. Use a soft brush or foam brush. Let the stain penetrate the wood, then wipe off excess stain with a soft cloth.
- 4. If stain looks too dark, dampen the cloth with water/thinner and wipe until you achieve the desired color. If stain is too light, let dry, then apply another coat of stain and wipe off.

#### **FINISHES**

1. Outdoor projects may be finished with polyurethane or varnish.

**These are toxic and must be used in a well ventilated area.** Indoor projects may be finished with decoupage or left unfinished.

