

Junk Trunk

The **Junk Trunk** is the perfect addition to a child or teen's bedroom. It's a dual purpose seating and storage unit that can be personalized to coordinate with your room decor. For younger children it works great as a decorative padded toy box. Teens can use it to store CD's make-up, clothes, etc. Use your home decor theme to make this unit as a window seat or extra family room storage. Everyone needs a **Junk Trunk**.

Shown in Waverly Fabric Beach Umbrella and Fluttering Around



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- Materials**
- One 72" x 90" Sew Perfect Extra-loft[®] batting
 - One 36" x 22" x 4" Sew Perfect Nu-foam[®]
 - 4' x 5' piece 1/2" plywood
 - 4' x 2 1/2' piece of 1/4" plywood
 - 8' length 1" x 2" pine
 - 9' 3/4" x 3/4" pine trim
 - Forty 1" long #8 phillips head screws
 - Twelve 1" long #6 phillips head screws
 - Four 1 1/8" diameter plastic cushion nail-on glides (to protect floor)
 - paint for inside of box
 - 2 yards 54" wide striped fabric
 - 1 1/2 yards 54" wide print fabric
 - 3 1/8 yards 7/8" wide grosgrain ribbon to cover edge of fabric
 - 6 1/4 yards 3/16" diameter cotton cording
 - Thread
 - Tacky glue
 - Wood glue

Tools

- jig saw or circular saw
- sandpaper
- sewing machine
- staple gun and staples
- ruler and fabric marking pen
- phillips head screwdriver or attachment for drill
- drill and drill bit
- hammer
- scissors
- straight pins



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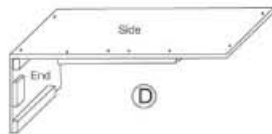
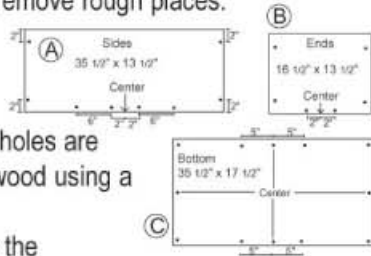


Cutting wood

- 1) From 1/2" plywood, cut one 35 1/2" x 17 1/2" (bottom), two 35 1/2" x 13 1/2" (sides), and two 16 1/2" x 13 1/2" (ends).
- 2) From 1/4" plywood, cut one 35 3/4" by 17 3/4" piece for top.
- 3) From 1" x 2" pine, cut four 12" lengths, two 4" lengths and two 18" lengths.
- 4) From 3/4" trim, cut two 34 1/4" lengths and two 14 3/4" lengths. Sand ends smooth.
- 5) Sand all wooden pieces lightly to remove rough places.

Woodworking

- 1) Following diagram A, B, & C mark the positions for screws on the plywood sides, ends and bottom. All holes are 3/4" from the edge. Drill holes in plywood using a drill bit to match the #8 screws.
- 2) Place a 12" piece of 1" x 2" under the 13 1/2" edges of the 16 1/2" x 13 1/2" plywood ends so the lower edge of the pine and plywood are even. Drill through holes in plywood into 1" X 2" strip. Apply a line of wood glue along the surface to be joined. Insert screw through plywood into strips.
- 3) Place a 4" piece of 1" x 2" under the bottom edge of the ends. Drill through holes in plywood into 1" X 2" strip. Apply glue and insert screws through plywood into strips.
- 4) Place the 18" length of pine under the bottom edge of the sides. Drill through holes in plywood into 1" X 2" strip. Apply glue and insert screw through plywood into strips.
- 5) Place one side perpendicular to one end. Be sure that the pieces of 1" x 2" strips are all along the bottom edge, see diagram D. Drill through holes into 1" x 2" strip. Apply glue and insert screws through plywood into strips. Repeat at other corner of the cube.
- 6) Attach the other plywood side in the same manner.
- 7) Turn the ends and sides upside down. Again be sure that the pieces of 1" x 2" strips are all along the bottom edge which is now facing up. Drill through holes in the bottom into 1" X 2" strips attached to the sides and ends. Insert screw through plywood top into strips.
- 8) Paint inside of box and 3/4" trim pieces. Allow paint to dry. Apply 2 or 3 coats of paint to obtain a nice finish.



Cutting fabric

- 1) From striped fabric cut two 37" x 17" pieces for sides, two 19" x 17" pieces for ends and a 17 1/2" x 34 1/2" for bottom.
- 2) For cushion, cut two 37" x 19" pieces for top and bottom. Cut two 37" x 5" and two 19" x 5" for boxing strip. Cut 1 3/4" wide bias strips to piece 224" length for piping.

Chest bottom

Stitch all seams right sides together using 1/2" seam allowance.

- 1) Cut 14" x 90" lengths of quilt batting. Wrap around sides and ends of chest beginning and ending at corners. Trim off extra at corner and begin a new length. Continue until there are 3 layers of quilt batting on all sides.
- 2) Fabric: Stitch each side to an end along the 17" edges. Then stitch these pieces together to make the cover.
- 3) Place the cover over the padded sides of base aligning seams with corners.
- 4) Fold about 1 1/2" of fabric to inside of box at upper edge. Staple fabric in place neatly mitering fabric smoothly at corners. Staple close to edge of fabric so staples can later be hidden by trim.
- 5) Fold the remaining fabric at lower edge over bottom of base and staple edges in place again mitering fabric neatly at corners.
- 6) Press under 1/2" on all edges of bottom. Center bottom on underside of chest. Staple to bottom of chest around the edges.
- 7) Glue ribbon or trim around inside of box to cover staples at edge of fabric. Attach a nail-on glide to each corner of bottom.

Cushion

- 1) Measure and mark a line on NU-Foam 18 1/2" from one 36" edge. Turn NU-Foam over and mark the line on that side too, so that the line is directly under the first line. Cut along one line cutting through only about 1" of the thickness of the NU-Foam. Turn the cushion over and repeat from the other side. Continue cutting through the NU-Foam a layer at a time until the entire thickness is cut.
- 2) Stitch ends of bias strips together along the straight grain. Press seams open.
- 3) Right sides out, fold bias strip in half lengthwise over cording. Stitch along edge of cording using a zipper or cording foot, see diagram E.
4. Pin cording around cushion top and bottom fabric. Clip seam allowance of cording at corners and round corners, see diagram E. Join ends neatly. Baste cording in place.
- 5) Stitch pieces for boxing strip together along 5" edges alternating lengths to form a rectangular shape.
- 6) Matching corners to seams, pin top to boxing strip. Stitch along seamline just inside basting stitches. Pin bottom to boxing strip leaving one long side open. Stitch in place in same manner.
- 7) Insert NU-Foam inside cushion cover. Then carefully insert 1/4" plywood top under cushion.
- 8) Turn under seam allowance of remaining edge of boxing strip. Pin it in place along seam line of bottom. Sew closed using slipstitches.



Finishing

- 1) Drill holes very carefully in trim strips, see diagram F.
- 2) Center trim on wooden underside of cushion following the diagram.
- 3) Carefully drill through holes into fabric and plywood.
- 4) Insert screw through trim into plywood.

