

THE RECIPE BOX

Remember the last time you (or the Chief Cook in YOUR house) went looking for a favorite recipe and either couldn't find it...or when you did, it was illegibly smeared with food that you dribbled all over it the last time it was laying on the countertop while you were fixing a meal ? Here's a simple recipe box that will give you 3" x 5" recipe cards a home...with a special saw-kerf card-holder notch in the top to display the recipe you're using and protect it from messy spills. Designed to sit on the countertop or hang on the wall it's quick and easy to make...and practical as it can be.



Start by resawing your stock to the required 3/8" and 1/8" thicknesses with your bandsaw, then smoothing the pieces with your thickness planer, belt sander or jointer. Next, rip all the stock to the required widths and crosscut the various pieces to length, according to the Bill of Materials.

Set your miter gauge to 20 degrees and cut the angled tops of the side pieces (A). Next, set your saw blade to cut a 1/8" wide x 3/16" deep through dado cut, 1/2" up from the bottom of each side (A). Now, tilt your saw table to 20 degrees and bevel the front and back edges of the lid (D), as shown in the drawing. While your table is tilted, adjust your saw blade so it protrudes just 3/16" above the table surface, set your rip fence and cut the card-holding groove in the top surface of the lid (D).

Use your bandsaw or scroll saw to cut the arched contours in the front (C) and back (B), then use your drum sander. Drill the 1/4" diameter hanging hole in the top center of the back (B).

Glue and clamp pieces A, B, C and E together. Cut notches in the back edge of the lid (D) to accept one leaf of the small brass hinges. Apply the finish of your choice. Screw one leaf of each hinge to the lid (D)...then hold the lid in position as you mark and screw the other

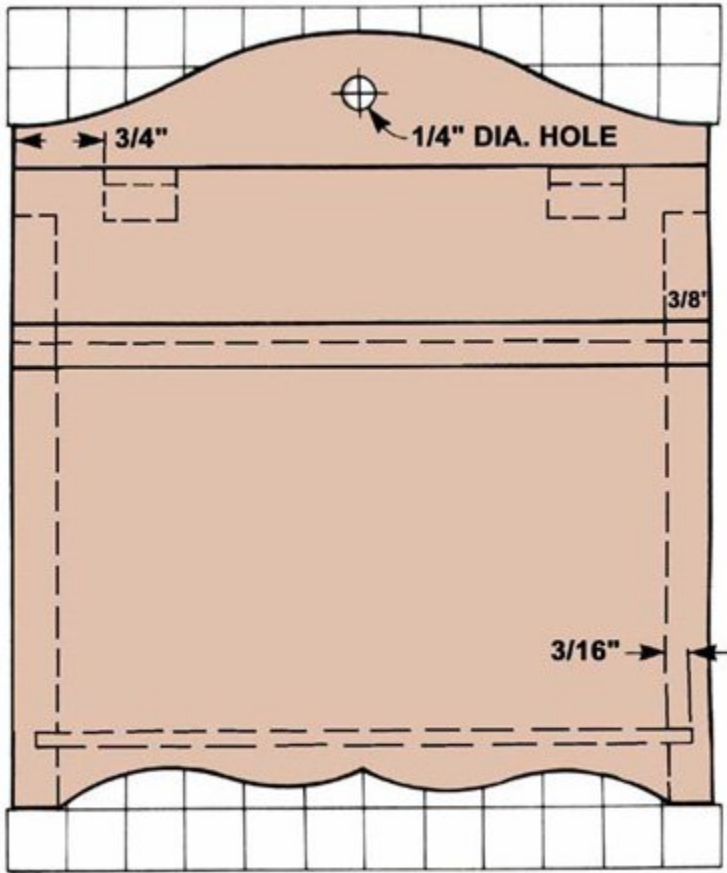
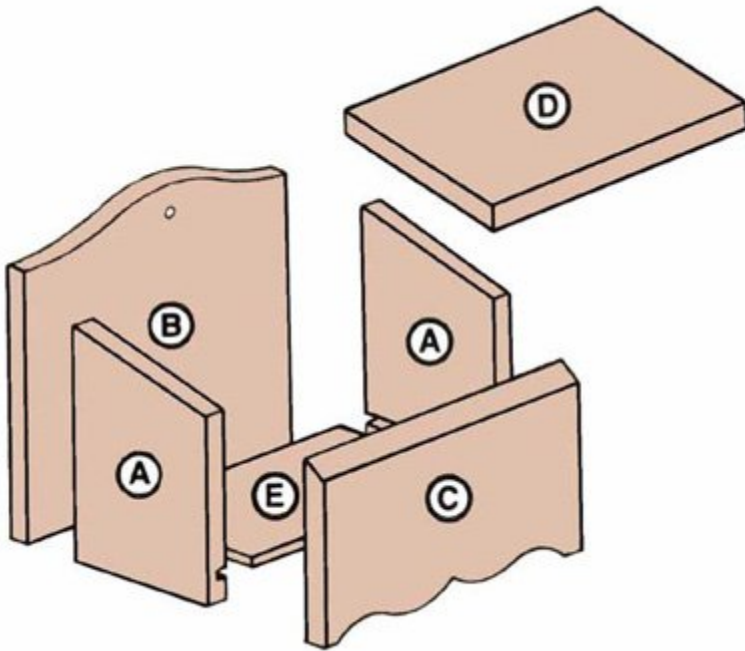
leaf of each hinge to the back (B).

BILL OF MATERIALS - Recipe Box
(finished dimensions in inches)

A	Sides (2)	$3/8 \times 3 \times 5$
B	Back	$3/8 \times 5-7/8 \times 6-1/2$
C	Front	$3/8 \times 5-7/8 \times 4$
D	Lid	$3/8 \times 4 \times 5-7/8$
E	Bottom	$1/8 \times 3 \times 5-1/2$

HARDWARE

Hinges	$3/4 \times 5/8$
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1 SQUARE = 1/2"

