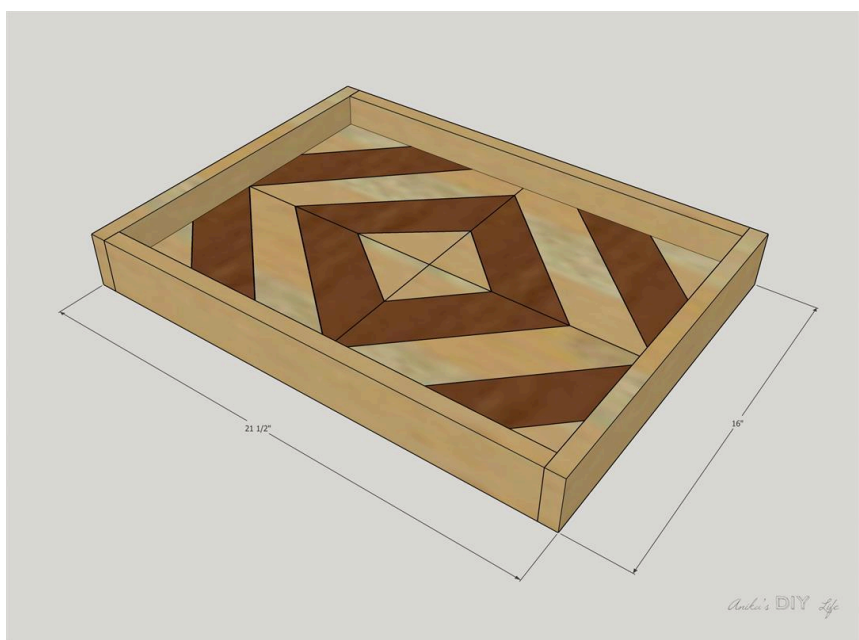# DIY Serving Tray

By **Anika\'s DIY Life**

Difficulty

Easy

Learn how to build a gorgeous serving tray using basic tools. This is a perfect project for beginners and makes a great handmade gift too.

Tools

Kreg Tools

[Kreg® Pocket-Hole Jig 720](link)

[Cabinet Hardware Jig](link)

Other Tools

Miter Saw

Drill (cordless)

Nail Gun

Shop Vacuum

Tape Measure

Materials

Wood Products

1   Board , 1x8 , 96"

1   Board , 1x3 , 96"

3   Board , 1/4" X 2.5" , 72"

Hardware & Supplies

2   Pulls Of Your Choice

10   1-1/4" Pocket Hole Screws

50   1-1/4" Finish Nails

Cut List & Parts

4   Base Pieces , 3/4" X 8" X 10"

20 Planks , Various

2   Long Sides , 3/4" X 2.5 X 20"

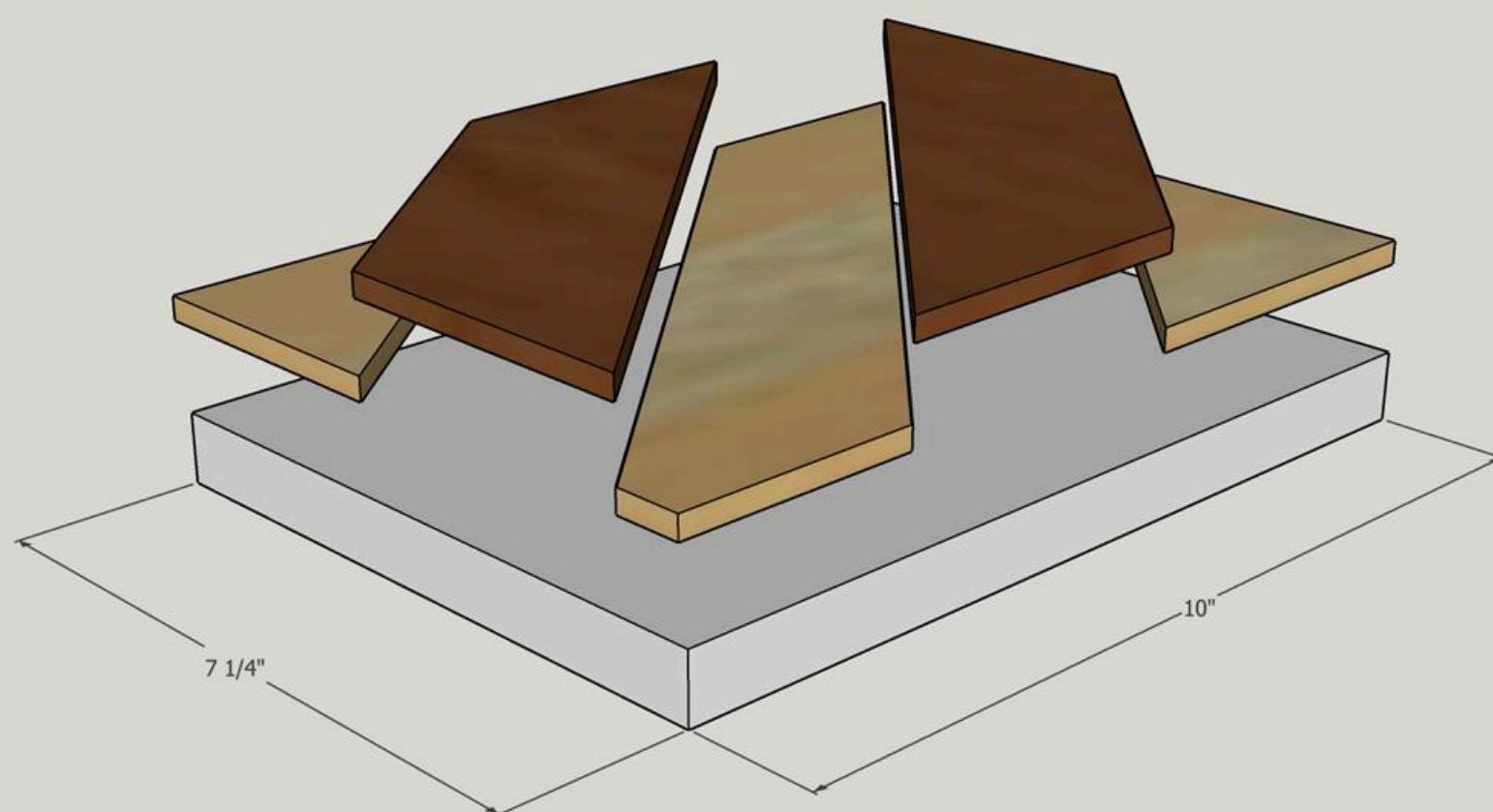**2**   Short Sides , 3/4" X 2.5" X 16

Directions

1 **Make cuts for the top pattern**

Set the miter saw at 45 degrees and cut out planks from the 1/4" material to lay on the base pieces.

Cut them longer than needed.

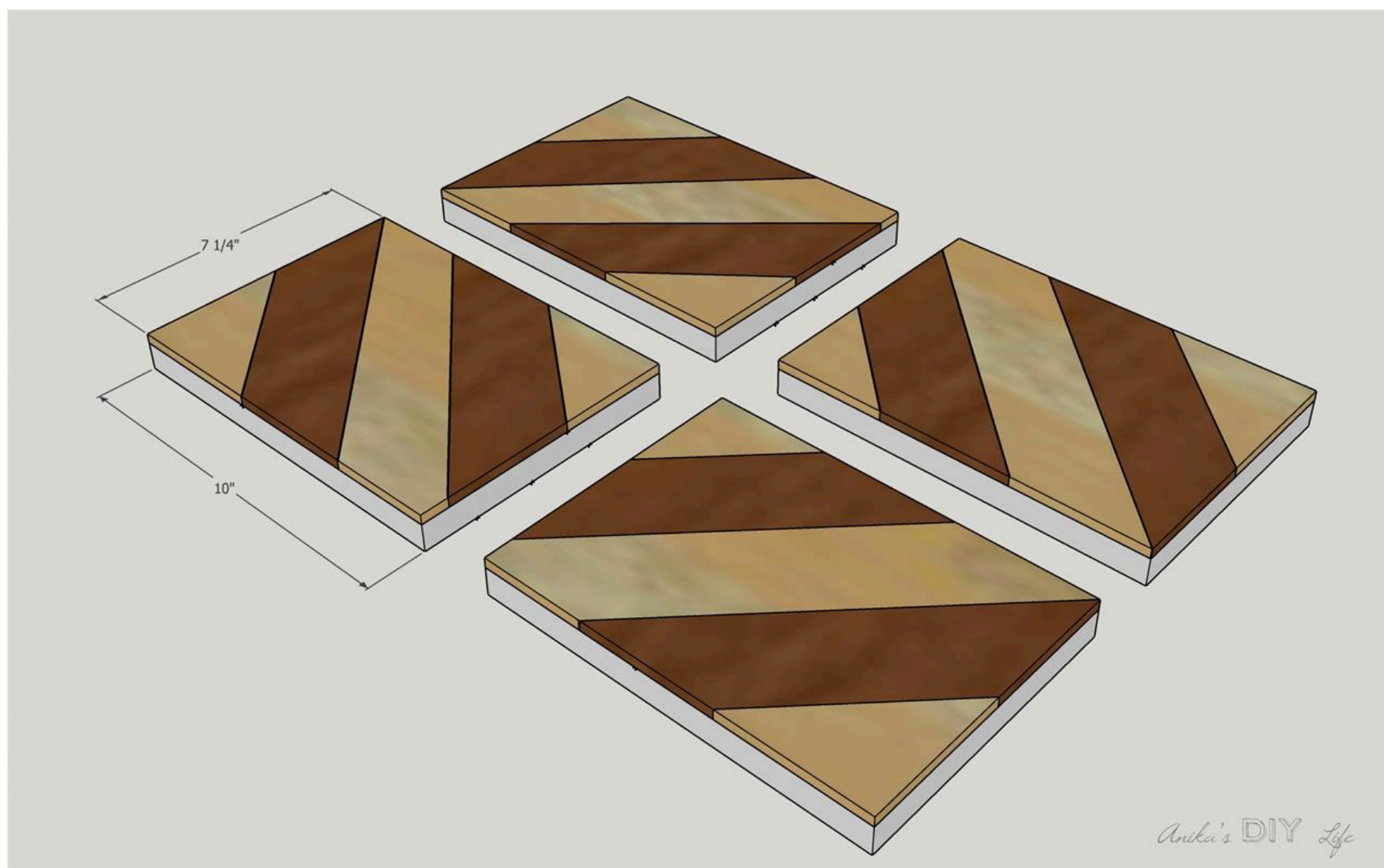Once the pattern is decided, stain them individually.

2 Attach top boards
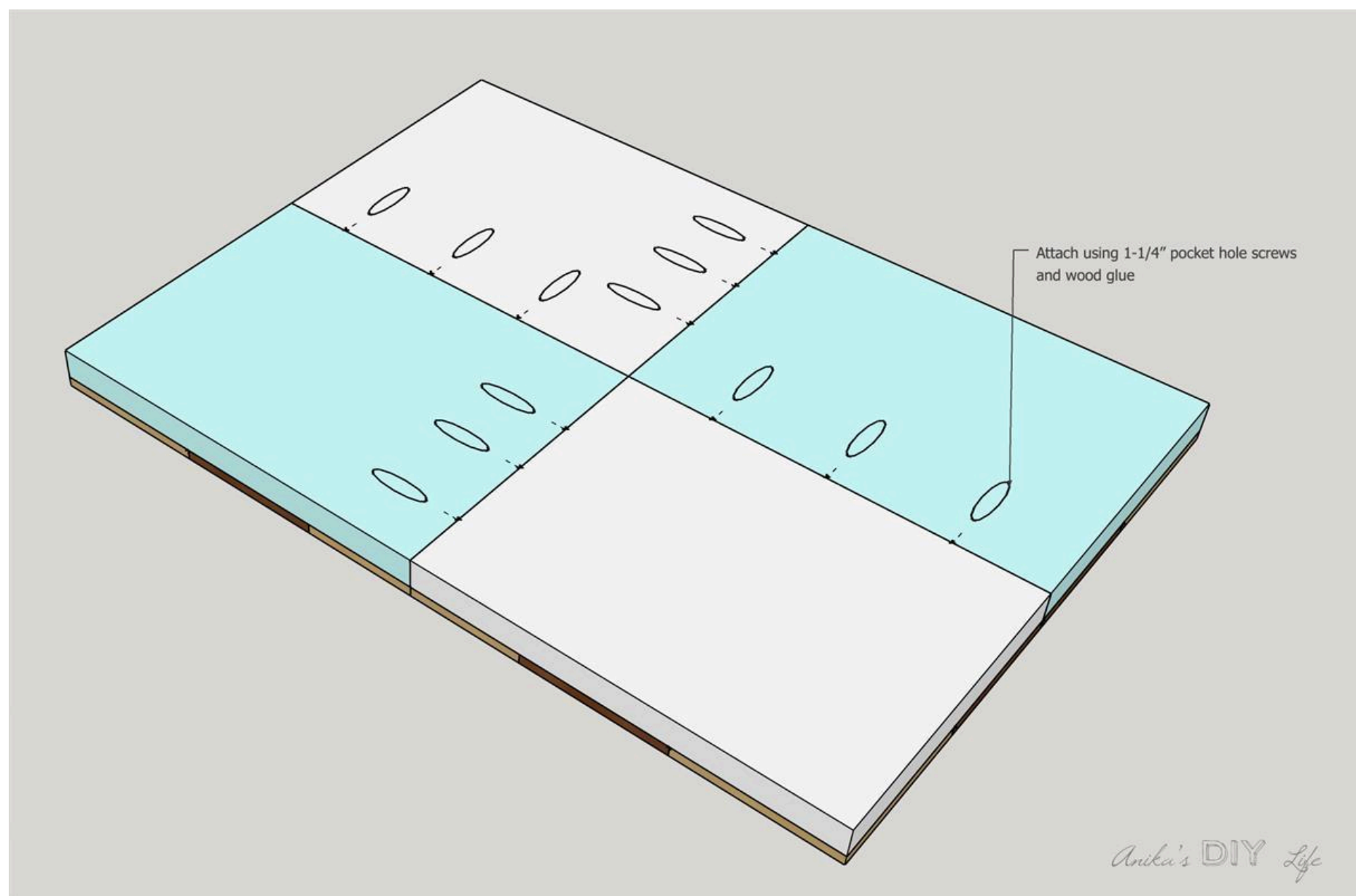
Apply wood glue to the base pieces and glue the planks and leave overnight.

Once dry, cut off excess from all sides of the base pieces.

7 1/4"

10"

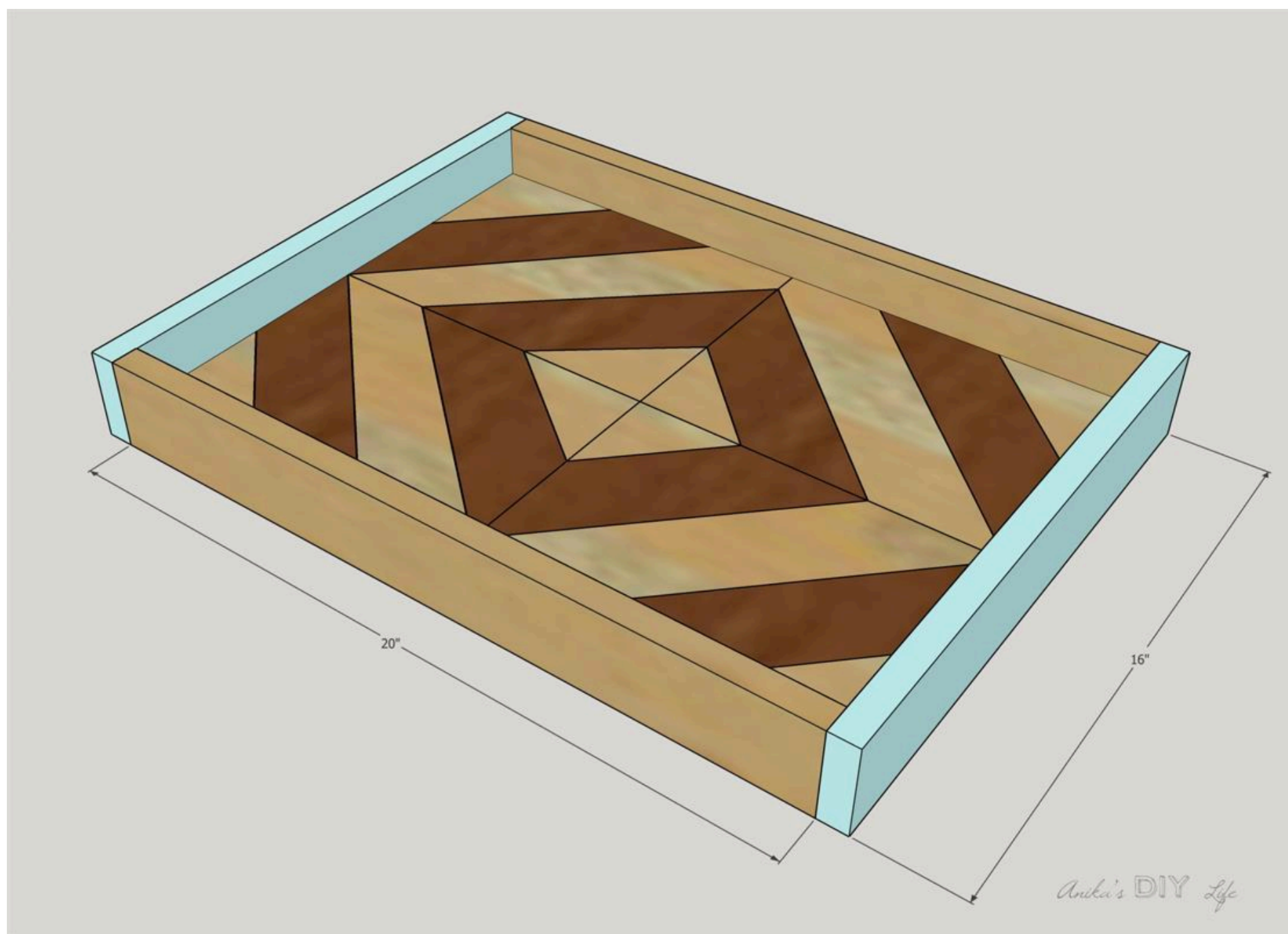Anika's DIY Life

3 Attach base pieces

Attach base pieces together using 3/4" pocket holes and 1-1/4" pocket hole screws to form the tray base.

Attach using 1-1/4" pocket hole screws and wood glue

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4 Add sides

Attach 1x3 sideboards around the tray using wood glue and 1-1/4" finish nails.

Note - be sure to stain the sides separately before attaching.

5 Finishing steps

Apply sealer and add hardware of your choice.

I find it really to use the Kreg hardware jig to ensure everything is perfectly centered.

6 See more

Read more details on finish and get more tips and tricks - https://www.anikasdiylife.com/diy-wood-tray/

Full video of the project - https://youtu.be/IjNQVTcQnx0