## Simple Outdoor Bench/Coffee Table

## Difficulty

Easy

This simple modern styled bench/coffee table is easy to make, and takes only 15 minutes + a stain job. It goes with the DIY Outdoor Sofa plan, and is designed to reflect the same style but with dual function of being a coffee table, or used as a bench for extra seating.


Tools
Kreg Tools

## Other Tools

Table Saw

Tape Measure

Drill (cordless)

Sander

## Materials

Wood Products
2 Board, $2 \times 6,72^{\prime \prime}$

Hardware \& Supplies
20 Kreg Pocket Hole Screws

## Cut List \& Parts

2 Bench Top , 2" $\times 6^{\prime \prime} \times 36^{\prime \prime}$
4 Bench Sides (Feet), 2" $\times 6{ }^{\prime \prime} \times 14^{\prime \prime}$

## Directions

## Cuts \& Tips

Use pressure treated lumber that can be left in the outdoors once stained and sealed.
You only require two $2^{\prime \prime} \times 6^{\prime \prime} \times 72^{\prime \prime}$ boards cut to size to build this simple bench/coffee table. You can also choose 2 " $\times 8^{\prime \prime} \times 72^{\prime \prime}$ wood for a wider version.


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## Start Bench Feet

Using a Kreg Jig, drill pocket holes into the side (not the end) of the $2^{\prime \prime} \times 6^{\prime \prime} \times 14^{\prime \prime}$ boards...one pocket hole about 3 inches from the top and another 3 inches from the bottom.
In the second 14" piece place your pocket hole directly in the middle of the side


## Add Pocket Holes To One End

Next add two pocket holes to only one end of the $2^{\prime \prime} \times 6^{\prime \prime} \times 14^{\prime \prime}$ board. Do the same (on the same end) for the other $14^{\prime \prime}$ board.


## Complete Bench Feet

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Attach the two $14^{\prime \prime}$ feet together side by side using wood glue, and screw together using the pocket holes.

Follow direction 2 \& 3 again for the second bench foot


## Make Bench Top

Drill pocket holes along one side of the $2^{\prime \prime} \times 6^{\prime \prime} \times 36^{\prime \prime}$. Then along the side of the other...Be sure to stagger the holes so they don't line up to each other when the two boards are placed side by side. Attach the two bench faces with wood glue, and pocket hole screw.


## Attach Legs to Bench Top

Place the legs atop the bench face, flush on the edge. Attach via pocket holes (also use wood glue). Be sure all pocket holes are facing in so they don't show.


## Sand, Stain \& Seal

Sand until perfectly smooth. Stain and seal your bench, and enjoy it alongside it's outdoor sofa counterpart!


