

Simple Outdoor Bench/Coffee Table

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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



[Kreg® Pocket-Hole Jig 720](#)

Other Tools

Table Saw

Tape Measure

Drill (cordless)

Sander

Materials

Wood Products

2 Board , 2x6 , 72"

Hardware & Supplies

20 Kreg Pocket Hole Screws

Cut List & Parts

- 2 Bench Top , 2" X 6" X 36"
- 4 Bench Sides (Feet) , 2" X 6" X 14"

Directions

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Cuts & Tips

Use pressure treated lumber that can be left in the outdoors once stained and sealed.

You only require two 2"x 6" x 72" boards cut to size to build this simple bench/coffee table. You can also choose 2" x 8" x 72" wood for a wider version.



2**Start Bench Feet**

Using a Kreg Jig, drill pocket holes into the side (not the end) of the 2" x 6" x 14" 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.



3

Add Pocket Holes To One End

Next add two pocket holes to only one end of the 2" x 6" x 14" board. Do the same (on the same end) for the other 14" board.



4**Complete Bench Feet**

Attach the two 14" 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.



5**Make Bench Top**

Drill pocket holes along one side of the 2" x 6" x 36". 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.



6**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.



7**Sand, Stain & Seal**

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

