





BUILDING A KAMISHIBAI BOX

SUPPLIES:

- 20—1.5" wood screws
- 4 1" hinges
- 1 latch
- 1 handle
- 6 feet of 3/4" x 6" inch pine
- 4 feet of 3/4" x 12" pine
- Wood glue
- Wood filler
- Two clamps

Board Cuts:

- Cut two pieces, for top and bottom of box, 15" x 5 1/2"
- Cut two pieces, for doors, 12 1/4" x 7 3/4"
- Cut one piece, for side, 12 1/4" x 5 1/2"
- Cut four pieces, for top and bottom of frame, 12 1/2" x 1 1/2"
- Cut four pieces, for sides of frame, 12 1/4" x 1 1/2"
- Cut two runners, 14" x 3/4"

Directions:

- 1. Make all board cuts. (Photo 1)
- 2. So that you do not split the wood, predrill the holes on one side of the box, connecting the top board to the side board using two holes at the top and two at the bottom.
- 3. Apply wood glue and screw the top and bottom to one side (Photo 2)
- 4. Again, to prevent splitting the wood, predrill two holes on each of the four boards framing the front of the box. Apply wood glue and screw in each of the four boards to create the front frame. (Photo 3)



Directions Continued:

5. Take wood glue and glue the card holders (One 1" away from the front opening and the second one flush to the front bottom of the frame) to the inside bottom and top of the box and clamp them down. Let them sit overnight. Make sure there is room between the front and the card holder so the cards can fit between them.



6. Again, to prevent splitting the wood, predrill two holes on each of the four boards framing the back of the box. Apply wood glue and screw in each of the four boards to create the back frame. (Photos 4 and 5)

7. To attach the door, place the doors on the front of the box and the hinges on the side, with one covering the side of the door and the other half covering the side of the front frame. Predrill the hinge holes (one set at the top of the door and one at the bottom of the door) before using the hinge screws in those holes to attach.

8. Attach latch, based on the type of latch you have and directions provided with the latch. Decorate as desired with stain, paint, or blowtorch as seen here.

