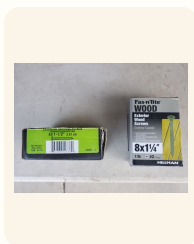




Bluebird Nesting Box

ERROL NIELSON'S HENRY'S LAKE DESIGN



MATERIALS

- One 1" x 6" pine board, about 6 ft
- 4d 1 1/2" galvanized box nails
- #8 x 1 1/4" exterior wood screws
- 1 9/16" Forstner bit & drill
- Circular saw, square, tape measure

CUT THE PIECES



BACK x1

5 1/2" x 16" — leave 2" proud top & bottom



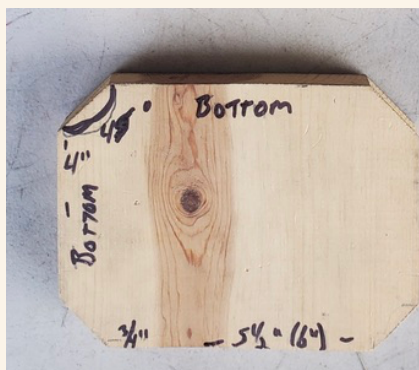
SIDES x2

5 1/2" wide, 12" tapering to 10"



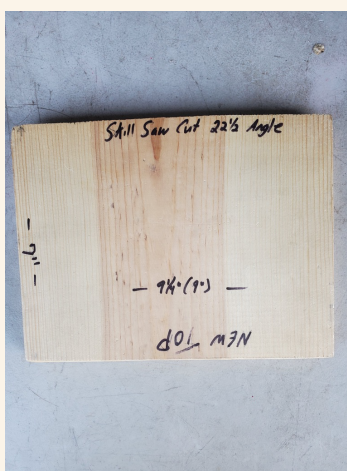
FRONT x1

5 1/2" x 10", 1 9/16" entry hole



BOTTOM x1

5 1/2" x 4", corners clipped 3/4"



TOP x1

9 1/4" x 7", front edge bevelled

Before you cut

Every angled cut — the taper on both sides and the front edge of the top — is a **22 1/2°** circular-saw cut.

Clip the bottom's four corners at **45°** so the box drains.

A nominal 1x6 measures 5 1/2" — every width below is that real 5 1/2".

Putting it together

THREE STEPS, ONE BOX

BOX THE BACK

1

Screw the two sides and the bottom to the back board. Leave a **two-inch gap at both the top and the bottom** of the back — that overhang is what you mount the finished box with.



HANG THE FRONT ON NAILS

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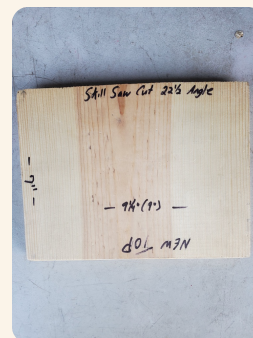
Drill holes at the four outside corners where the sides meet the front. The **top two nails act as a hinge**. Don't drive the bottom two all the way in — they pull out so the front swings open for access and cleaning.



CAP IT OFF

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Attach the top with a screw at each corner, bevelled edge to the front so rain runs off and away from the entry hole.



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