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FOREWORD

This book is presented for those who enjoy working with both wood and leather. The projects offered are designed to be both useful and decorative. Few tools or skills are required to make them, and most can be made from available pieces of plywood or other materials that may be found in any home workshop. If you will follow the instructions given with each project, no difficulty should be encountered in making or assembling the items.

Most of the wood parts can be cut out with a regular hand saw . . . and plywood pieces with curved areas can be cut out with a coping saw, or small jig-saw. Standard procedures are used for carving and stamping the leather pieces. For those unfamiliar with leather carving, they should purchase one or more of the many leathercraft instructional books available.

Due to limited space, and to avoid constant repetition, we have presented instructions below for finishing wood and also for preparing the leather pieces. Have these procedures established in mind before making your projects.

WOOD:

The wood parts should be glued and nailed with small finishing nails, escutcheon pins, or wire brads. Use white cement (available under different trade names) or a similar strong-bonding cement that will adhere wood and leather. All joints should be coated before joining (follow manufacturers suggestions) then nailed for added security. After all wood parts are assembled, they should be thoroughly sanded, then varnished or shellacked. When dry, the project should be sanded again, and a second coat of wood finish applied. Allow to dry before affixing the leather. The wood should be roughened with knife blade or sandpaper, in areas where leather will be glued to it.

LEATHER:

In most instances, the leather should be cemented to cardboard with rubber cement to prevent stretch during carving and stamping operations. After the cardboard is removed, roughen the flesh side of the leather with knife blade or sandpaper, so it will adhere better to the wood, when glued. All exposed edges should be edge-beveled and burnished. Dye the leather, if desired, for contrast with the grain of the wood. Apply leather finish before gluing to wood. Be sure to get ample cement at edges of leather, and to wood, to insure proper bonding.

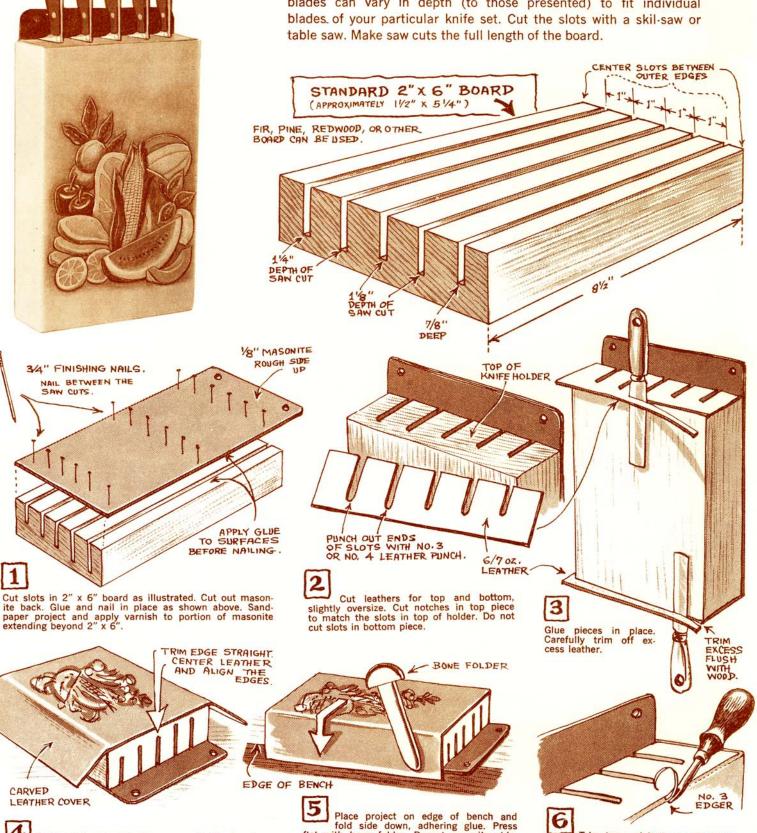
It is hoped this book will stimulate your imagination . . . and further your own interests in creating many of the unlimited possibilities of LEATHER & WOOD.

Many Happy Hours,

Al Stohlman

KITCHEN KNIFE HOLDER

This project is made from a piece of standard 2" x 6" lumber, with a masonite back, and covered with leather. The slots for the knife blades can vary in depth (to those presented) to fit individual table saw. Make saw cuts the full length of the board.



Carefully align top edge. Press leather to block with hand and bone folder.

Place project on edge of bench and fold side down, adhering glue. Press flat with bone folder. Repeat opposite side. Tap all edges with hammer, trim off excess leather at bottom and back.

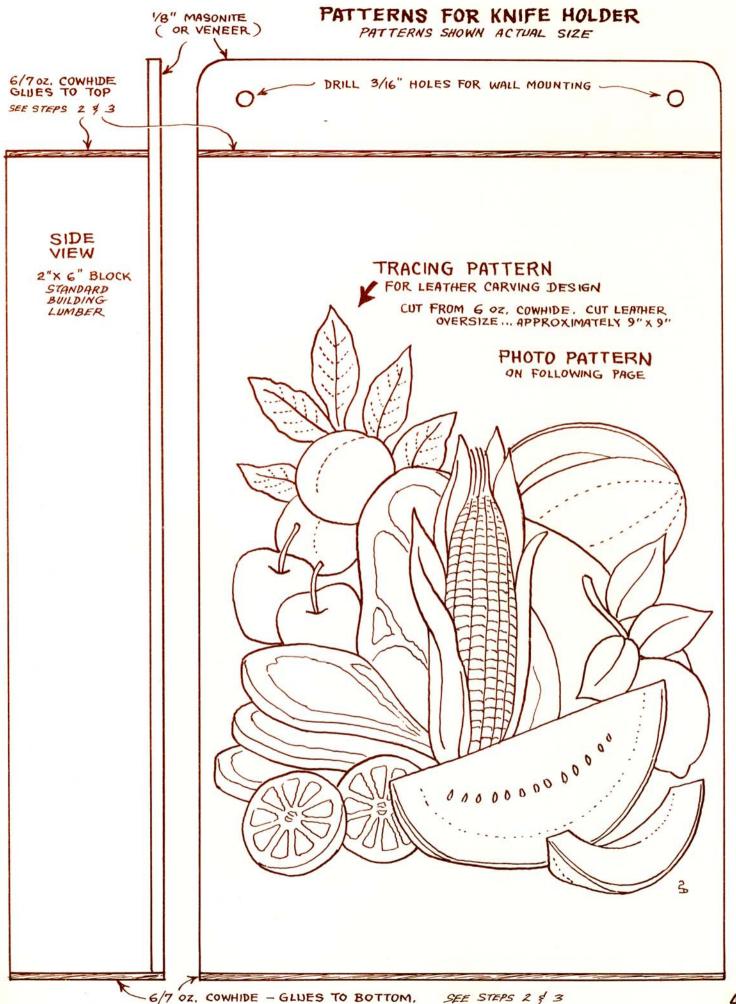
Trim top and bottom with edger.

Moisten and burnish exposed edges.

Apply leather dressing to all leather.

Project is complete.

CARVED



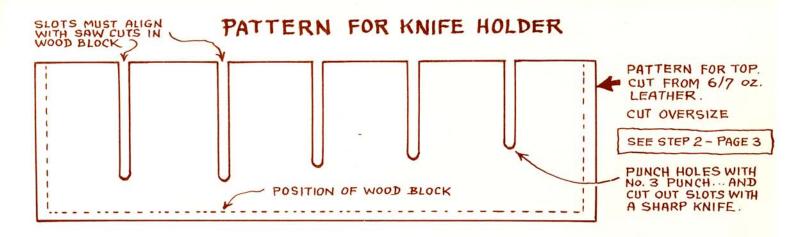
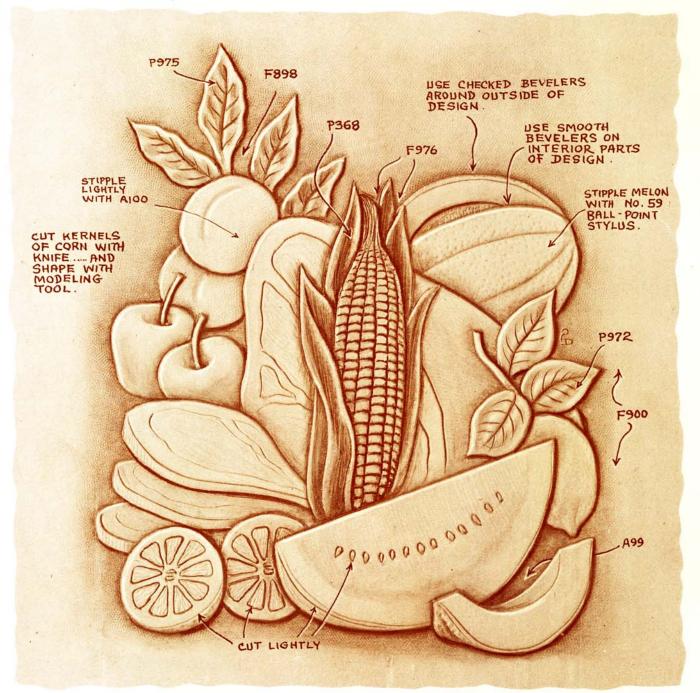


PHOTO PATTERN



ALTERNATE DESIGN FOR KNIFE HOLDER

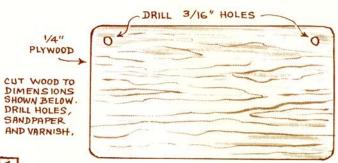
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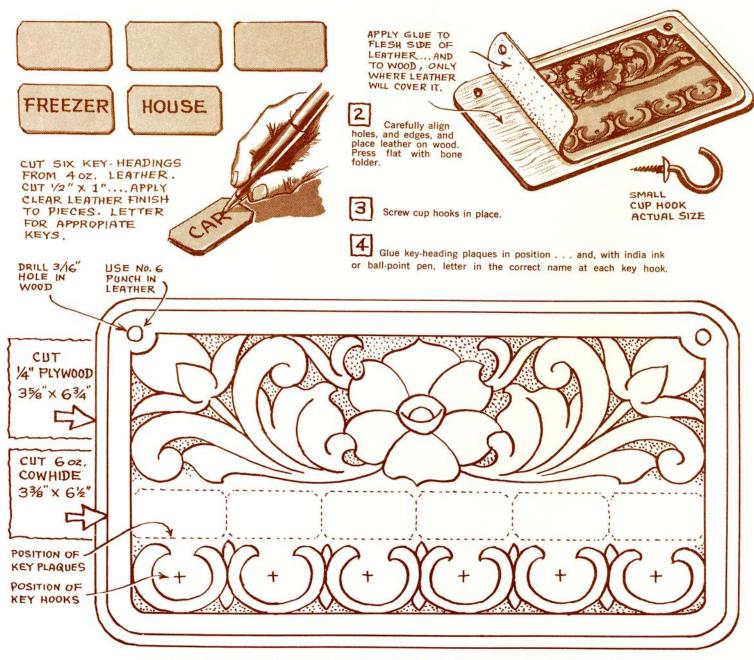
KEY HOLDER

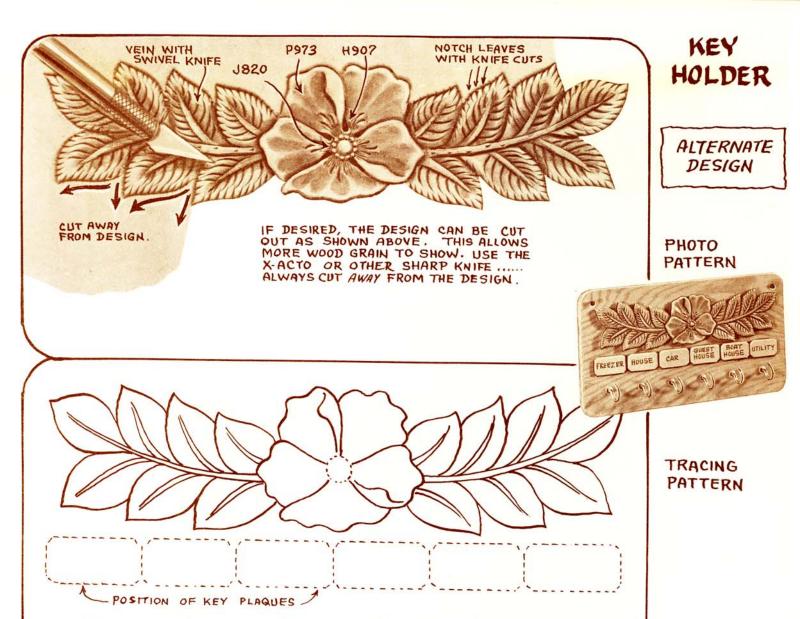


This simple project is made from $\frac{1}{4}$ " plywood, covered with leather, and small cup hooks screwed in place. Leather plaques with key headings can be replaced.



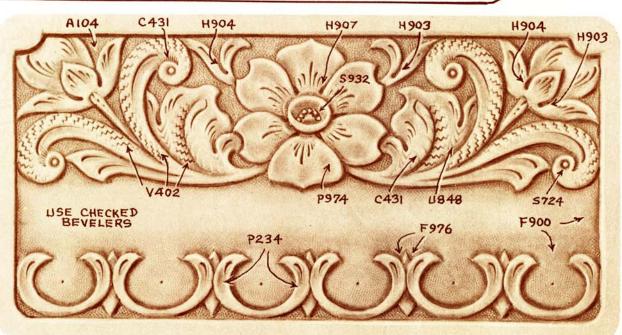
Prepare plywood backing as suggested above. Carve and stamp design of your choice. Dye leather if desired. Edge and burnish all edges. Punch holes in leather to match those of plywood. Apply leather finish to carved panel.







FOR DESIGN ON PAGE 7

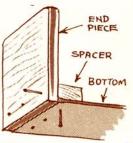


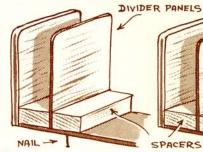
- POSITION OF KEY HOOKS

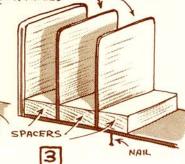


DESK TOP FILE

This project can be made with as few or as many dividers as desired. Cut dimensions accordingly. Cut out all wood parts and sandpaper smooth before assembly. After assembly, varnish . . . and sandpaper and varnish again before gluing leather in place.





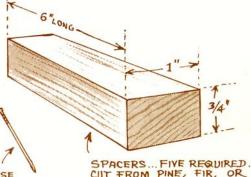


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Begin at one end. Glue all joints and nail as shown.

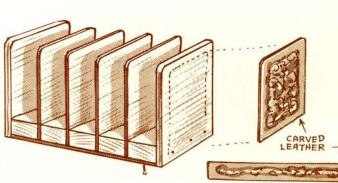
Apply glue to all parts that join each other. Fit divider against first spacer, press 2nd spacer in position tightly, and nail.

Continue same procedure with each successive divider and spacer.



SPACERS...FIVE REQUIRED
USE
3/4"FINISHING
NAILS FOR

SPACERS...FIVE REQUIRED
CUT FROM PINE, FIR, OR
3/4" PLYWOOD.



2

Complete gluing and nailing dividers in place. Nail plywood end in place. Tap down on all dividers to be sure they fit against bottom before glue sets. Carve and stamp leather panels. Dye and finish. Glue in place.

DIVIDER

ASSEMBLY.

44" × 6"

CUT FROM 1/8"

VENEER, OR

MASONITE

MAKE FOUR

PIECES

43/8" X 6" CUT FROM 1/4" PLYWDOD

MAKE TWO

LEATHER 43/6" x 55/8" CUT FROM 6 0Z, COWHIDE.

MAKE TWO

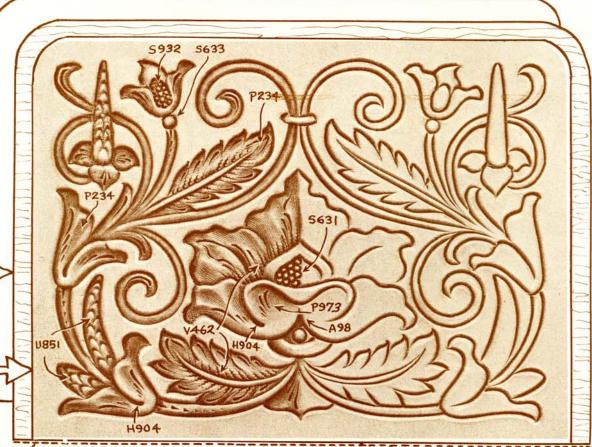
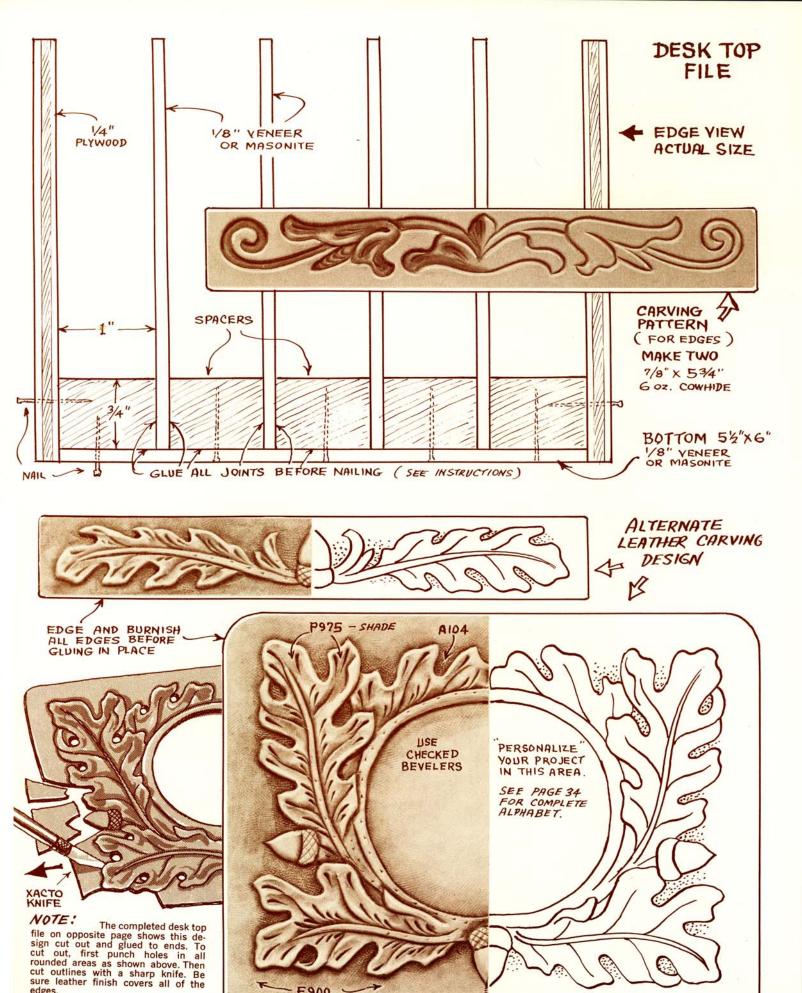


PHOTO PATTERN (INVERTED) TRACING PATTERN GLUE FELT OR SKIVER TO BOTTOM OF PROJECT ... WHEN COMPLETED.



- F900

edges.

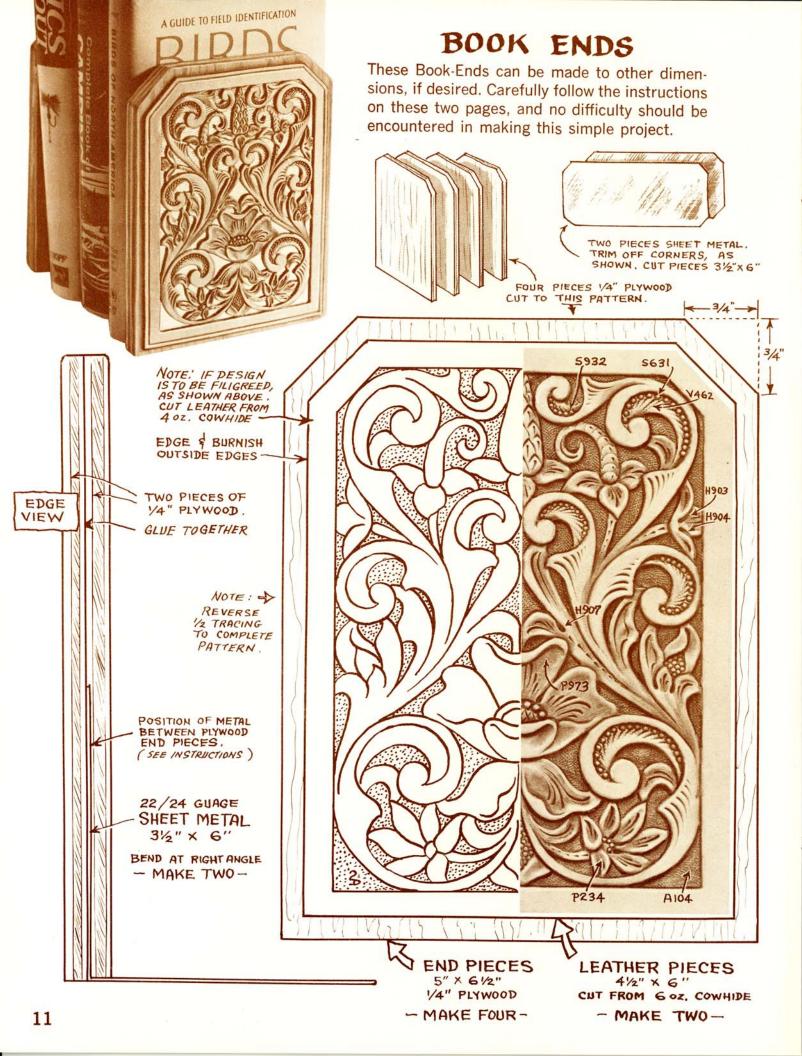




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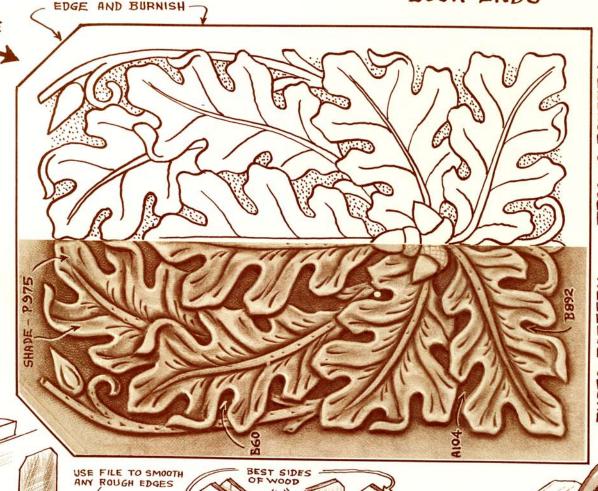


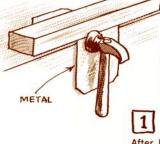
CUT FROM GOZ.

Before gluing carved panels to ends, be sure to check for even border distribution all around. Apply finish to leather before gluing to wood.

BENDING THE METAL PIECES

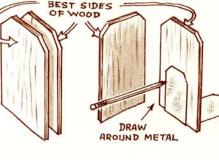
Mark center fold and clamp metal between two boards, or place on edge of bench as shown, and bend at right angles. Tap with hammer.

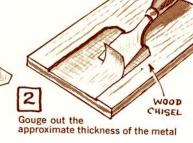




After bending metal, pair up the end pieces . . . with the best sides out. Place metal as shown; pencil around it. Mark two pieces.

CENTER

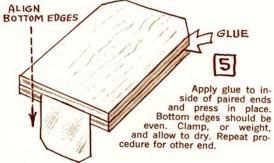






Next, thickness of metal must also be filed, rasped, or cut out at bottom, as shown above.

Apply glue in recessed area. Place project on edge of bench and fit metal in place. Use a center punch and strike sharply to indent metal; securing its position.





Thoroughly sandpaper all edges. Finish all wood with varnish or stain.



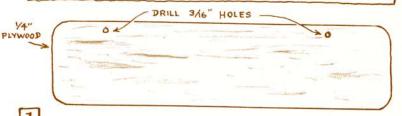






This project not only offers a rack for hanging belts . . . but also features two belt designs that can be embellished with buckstitching. The patterns at right show one . . . two inch . . . and one $1^1\!/_4$ " belt design. Repeat designs to any desired length. The belt hooks do not necessarily have to be spaced as shown.

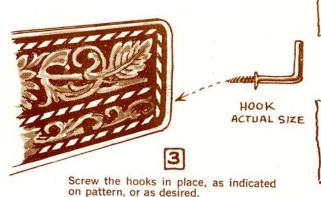
HOW TO BUCKSTITCH SHOWN ON OPPOSITE PAGE



Cut out plywood backing; drill holes. Sandpaper all edges smooth; varnish or stain entire piece. Carve and stamp the leather. Dye background and edge and burnish edges. Buckstitch as shown, if desired. Apply leather finish.



Carefully align holes, and edges, and place leather on wood. Press flat with bone folder, to bond the glue.



1/4" PLYWOOD 31/4" × 101/2"

DRILL 3/16" HOLE

USE NO. 6 PUNCH

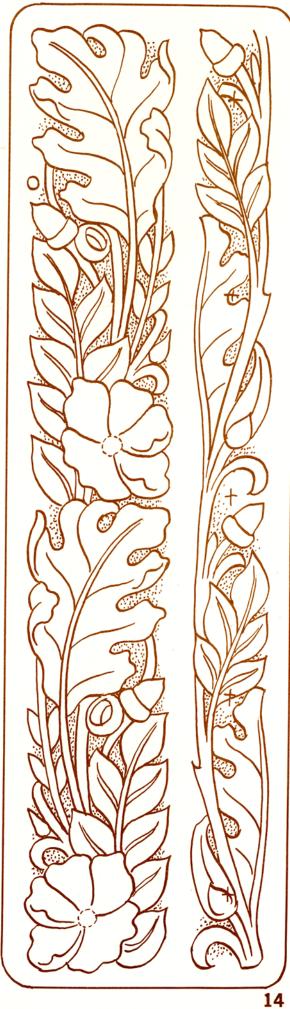
LEATHER
3" X 10 1/4" 7
CUT FROM
6 oz. COWHIDE

EDGE AND BURNISH THE LEATHER EDGES



BELT RACK ALTERNATE CARVING DESIGN WHITE LATIGO LACES THRU SLITS WITH A RUNNING STITCH. USE 5/32" CHISEL TO PUNCH SLITS AS SHOWN. NOTE ANGLE JUSE DIVIDERS AND POSITION MARKS 1/4" APART. 74





SCRIBE LIGHT GUIDE LINE 1/8" FROM EDGE

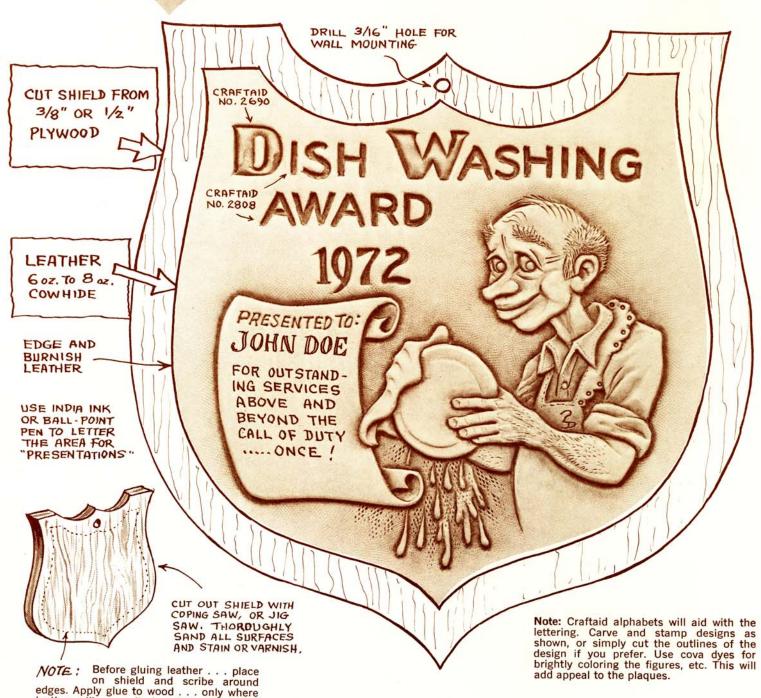
> sign. Dye background and for buckstitching with the ½" white latigo lace. Use Carve and stamp the deedge and burnish the edges. Follow instructions at right the %" single prong chisel for punching the slits.



PLAQUES

FOR NOVELTY OR OTHER USES

Unlimited possibilities are presented here for making novelty plaques for a variety of subjects . . . or . . . plaques for clubs, guilds, scouts, or other groups or organizations for special awards. A few suggestions are presented. Use your own imagination to fit any situation.



leather will cover it. Lay flat and weight



presented to: for most burned meals, black-

est coffee, most sand in the beans, etc. etc.

Any situation can be portrayed on these plaques. They are limited only by your imagination.

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JANE DOE

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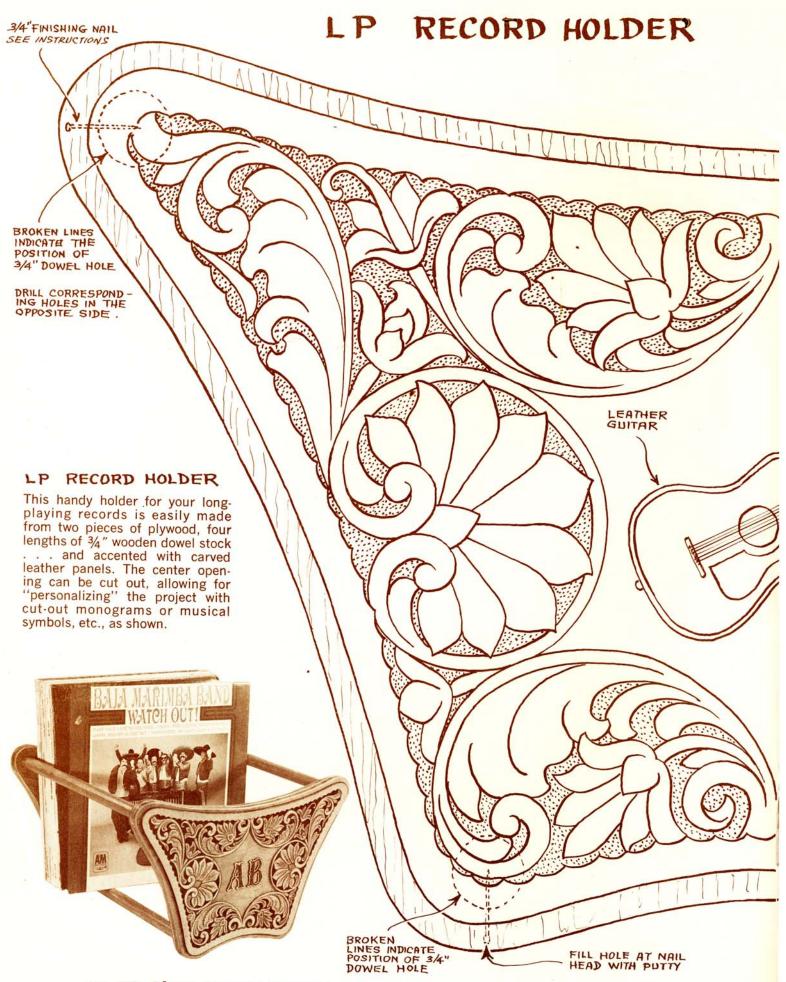
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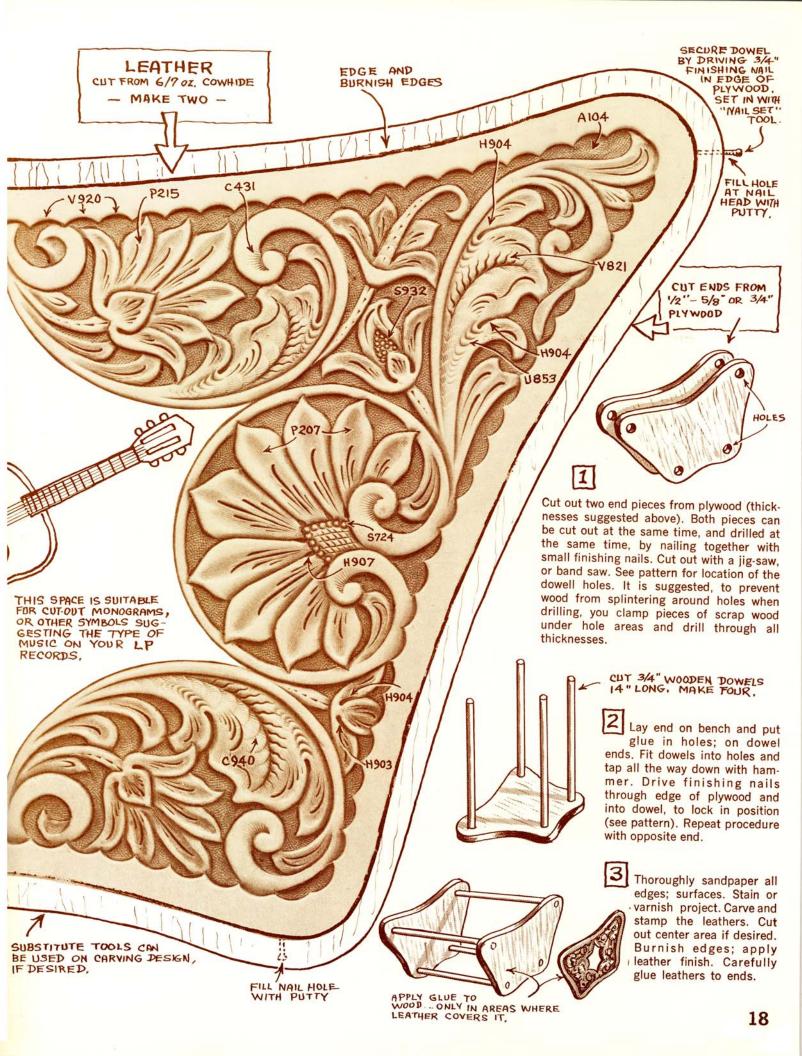
Another suggestion: "LIARS" or "BIGGEST FISH" AWARD

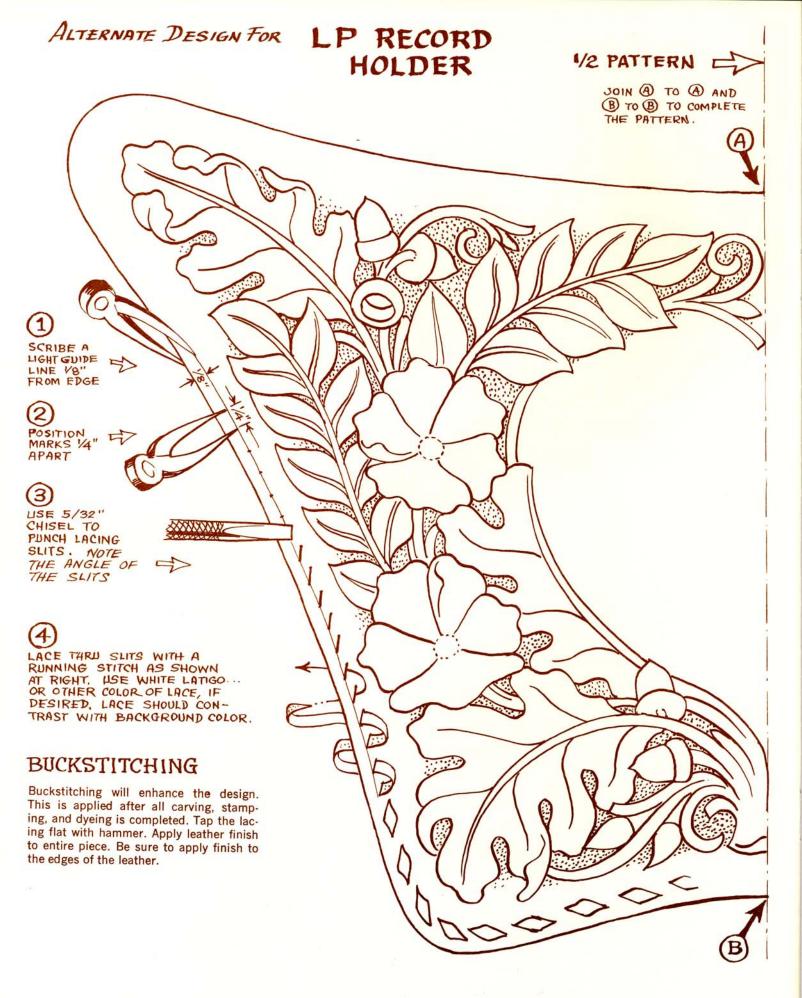
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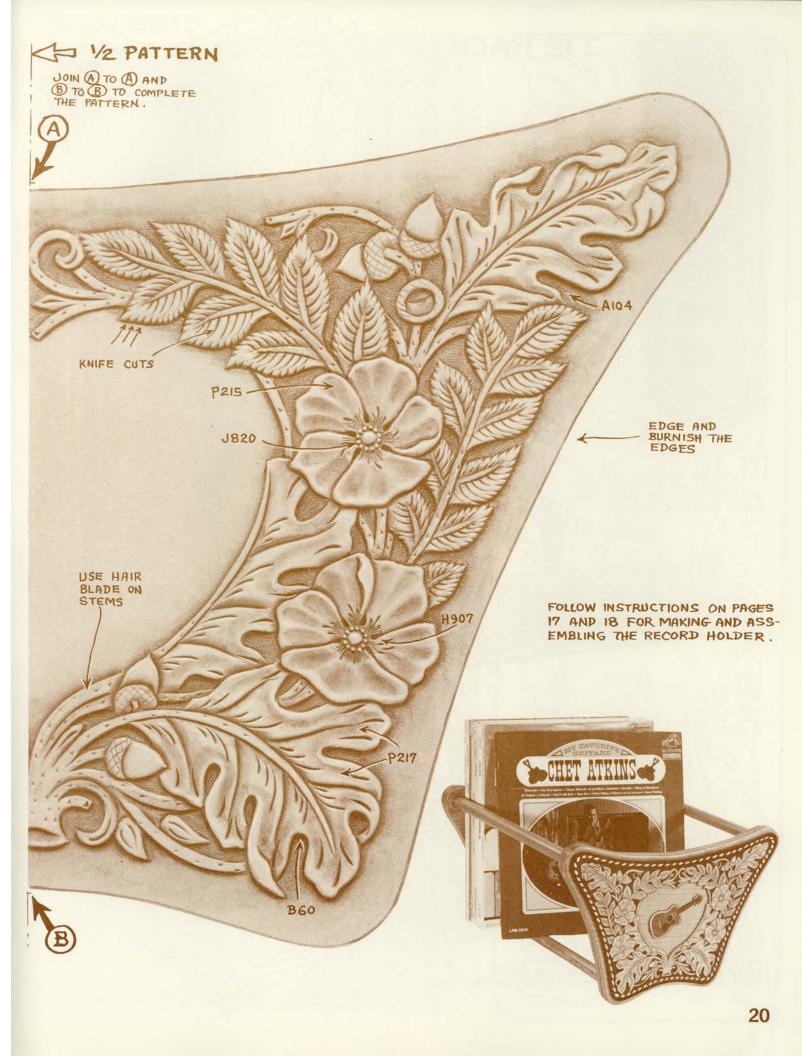
For cool, calm action in the four hour battle to net his largest fish to date; a six inch trout, etc. etc.

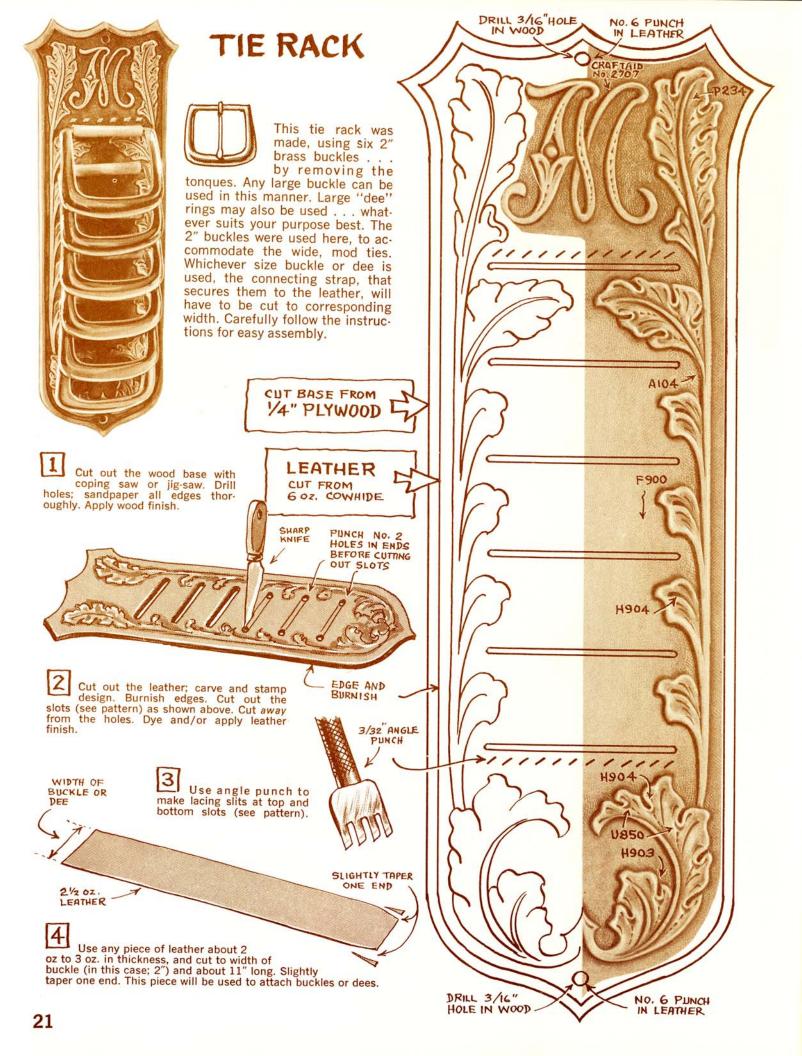
Make up your own wording to fit the situations.

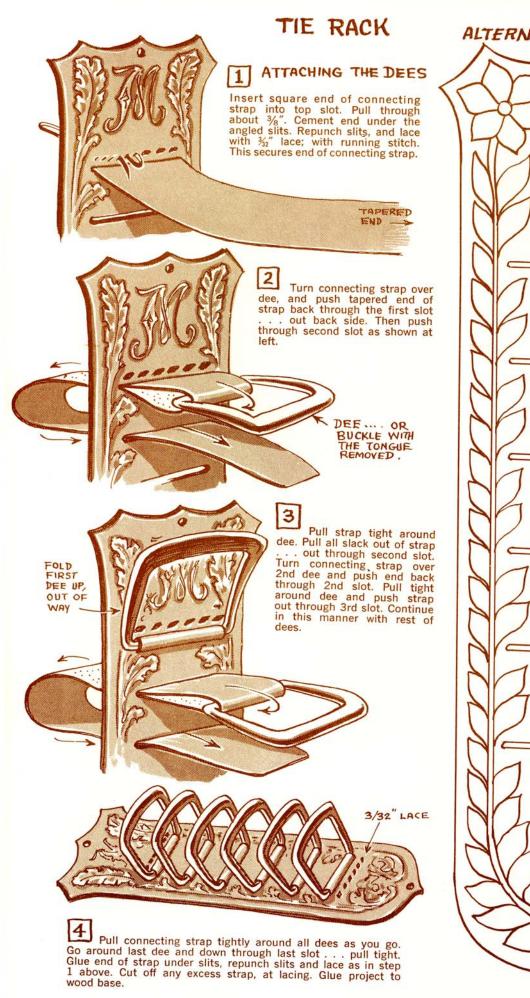


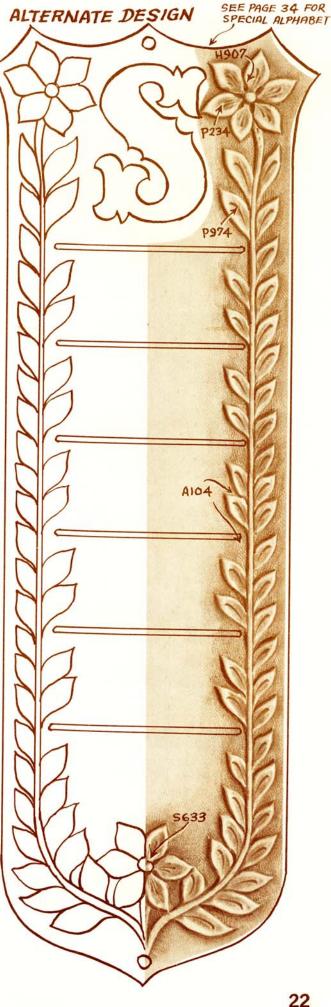










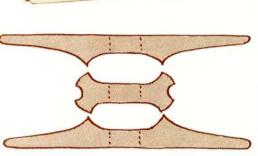


SCRAP BOOK

NOTE BOOK COVER

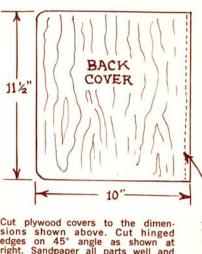
FOR 1" RING-BINDER

This book cover is made from 1/4" plywood with good surface on both sides. It features leather hinges, and letters cut out of 4/5 oz. leather (alphabet on page 34). Leather was dyed brown, glued to panels, and nailed with \"" copper tacks for added security and rustic effect. Hinges can actually be cut in any shape desired.

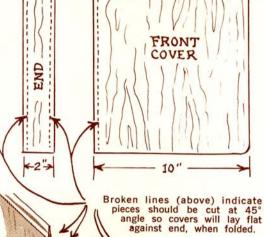


Make leather hinges from patterns shown below. Add leather finish to complete.

Place panels as shown below. Center hinges . . . and glue in place. Note: spacers can be put between panels to maintain position. Tack hinges in position shown.



Cut plywood covers to the dimensions shown above. Cut hinged edges on 45° angle as shown at right. Sandpaper all parts well and varnish.

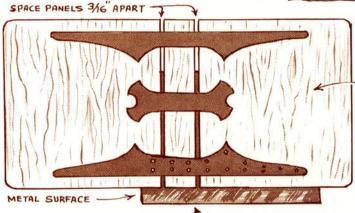


1" NOTE BOOK BINDER

NOTE: FOR LARGER BINDERS, THE END PIECE WILL HAVE TO BE WIDENED AND HINGES LENGTHENED ACCORDINGLY

> APPLY DESIRED LETTERING, OR DECORATION.





Note: use metal surface under wood to clinch tacks, if they are a bit too long.
Longer tack can be cut to proper
lengths. Cut at angle with side

MAKE ONE PATTERN

LEATHER HINGES CUT FROM 6 02.

POSITION OF TACKS

Spread book with inside up. Center ring binder on end piece and attach with small wood screws. Or, drill and install with tubular rivets.

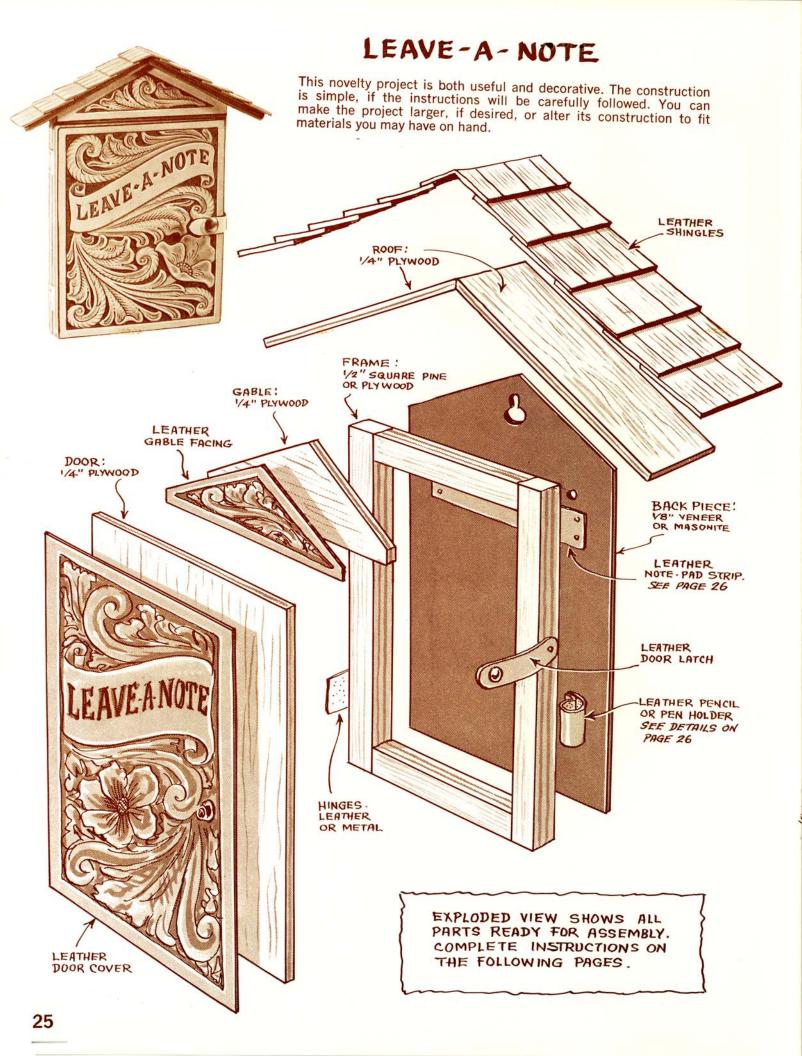
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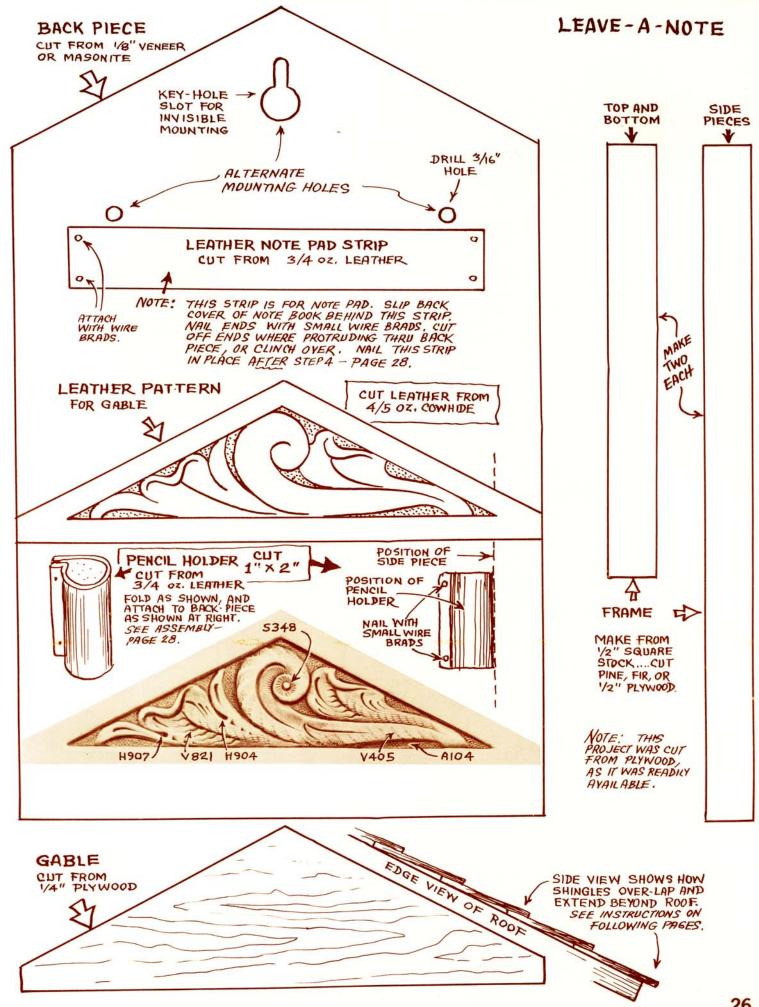
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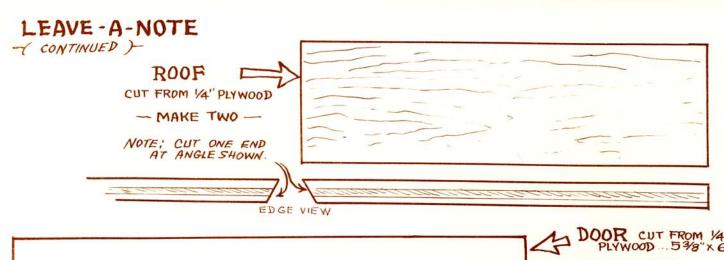
COPPER

2 4 PATTERN













HINGES — TWO REQUIRED —

USE METAL OR LEATHER HINGES, TACK HINGES ON WITH SMALL BRASS ESCUTCHEON PINS.



POSITION OF SNAP BUTTON AND SOCKET

HOLE FOR SCREW OR BRASS PIN.

HINGES

OF

POSITION

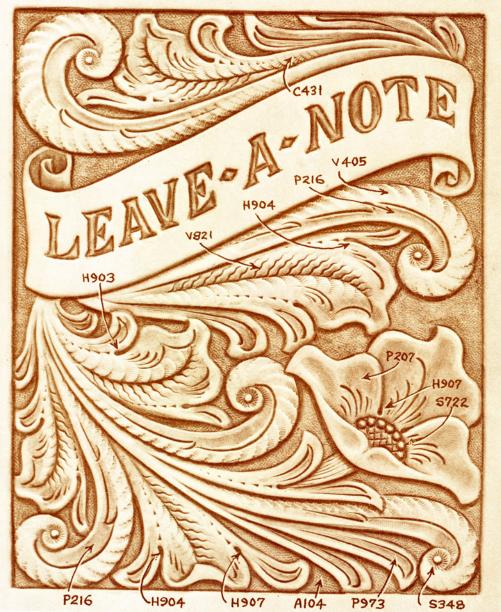
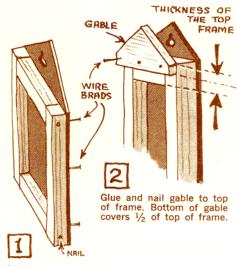
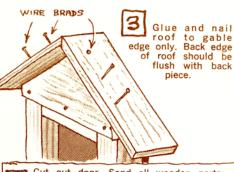


PHOTO PATTERN
CARVING DESIGN FOR
DOOR COVER

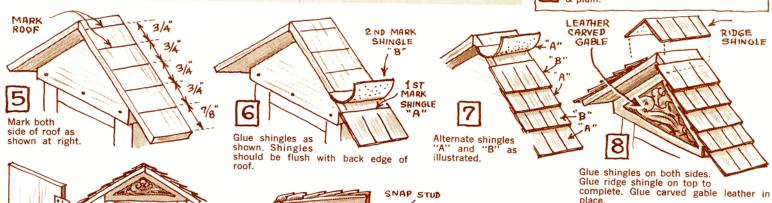
ASSEMBLY



Glue and nail frame together with 1" finishing nails. Glue back of frame and fit to back piece. Nail back piece to frame with small wire brads.



Cut out door. Sand all wooden parts; varnish. Finish all leather parts; carved & plain.



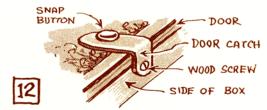
Nail hinges to inside of door.

Nail note-pad strip and pencil holder in place (patterns; page 26).

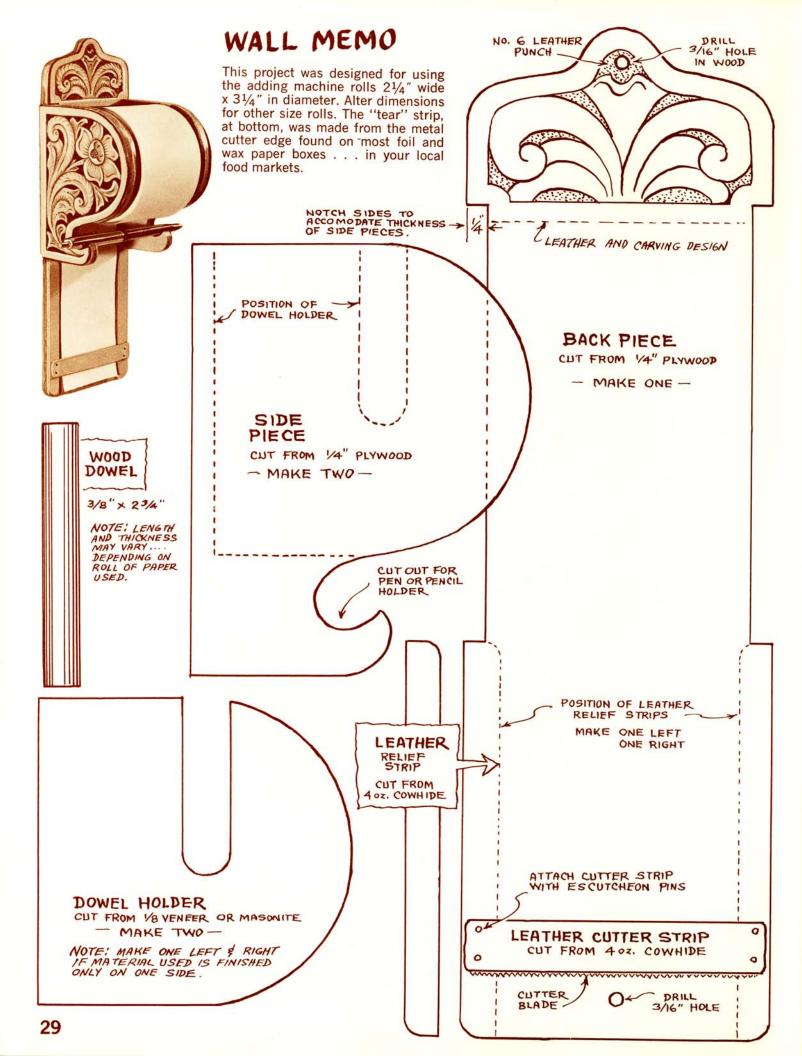
HINGES

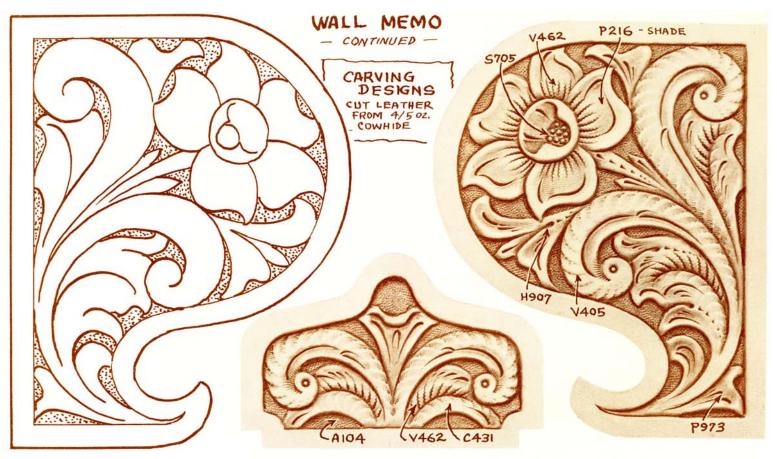
Attach snap to carved door cover. Glue

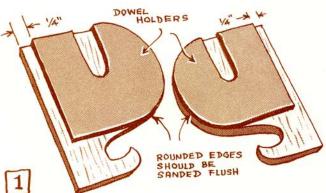
Attach snap to carved door cover. Glue cover to door. Place door in position and nail, or screw, hinges to side of box.



Snap door catch button to door snap. Fold strap over side, and screw to side of box as shown above.

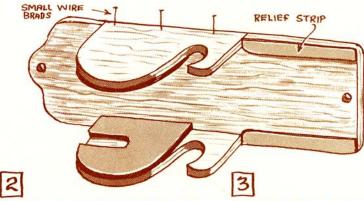






Cut out all wood parts. Glue dowel holders in position, as shown . . . $14^{\prime\prime}$ from back edges. Make one left; one right.

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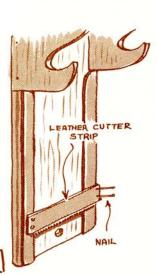
Glue and nail side pieces in notches of back piece. Sand and stain or varnish project.

Glue leather strips in place. See opposite page for pattern and position.

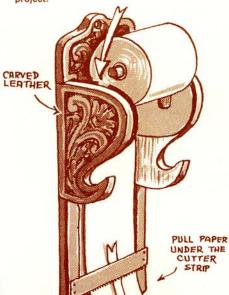


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Cut a 31¼" strip of metal from the tearstrip of your foil or wax paper roll. Glue the leather to it. Allow the teeth to be slightly exposed, as shown above.

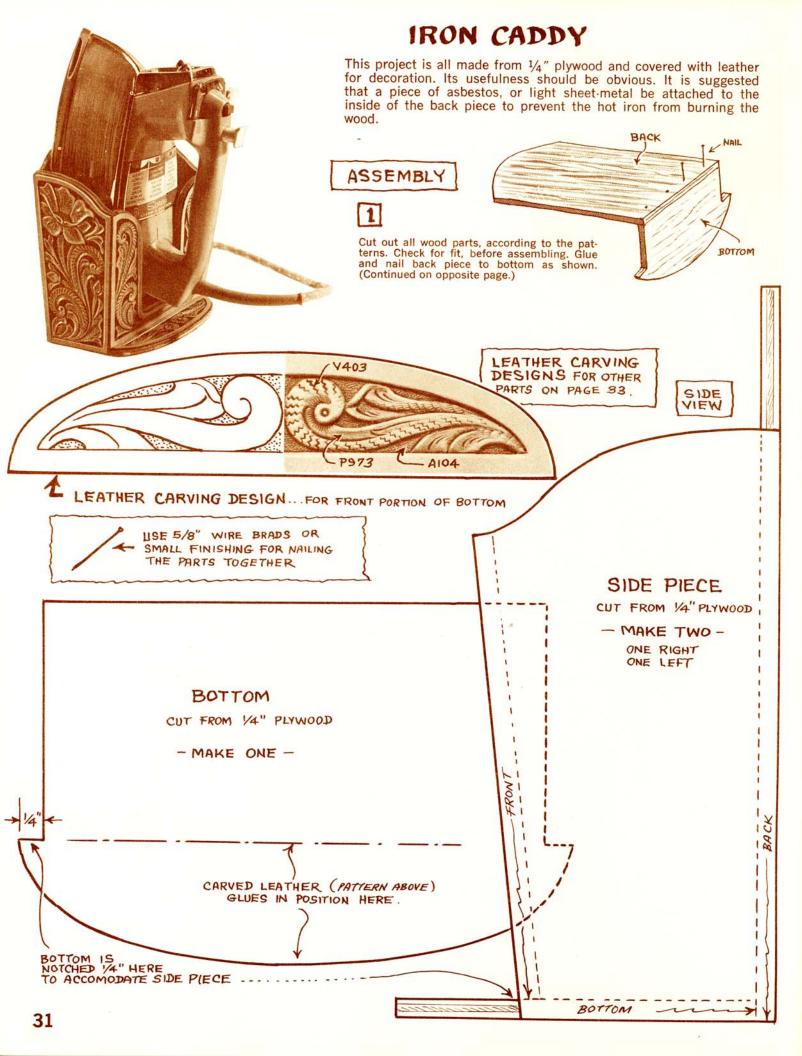


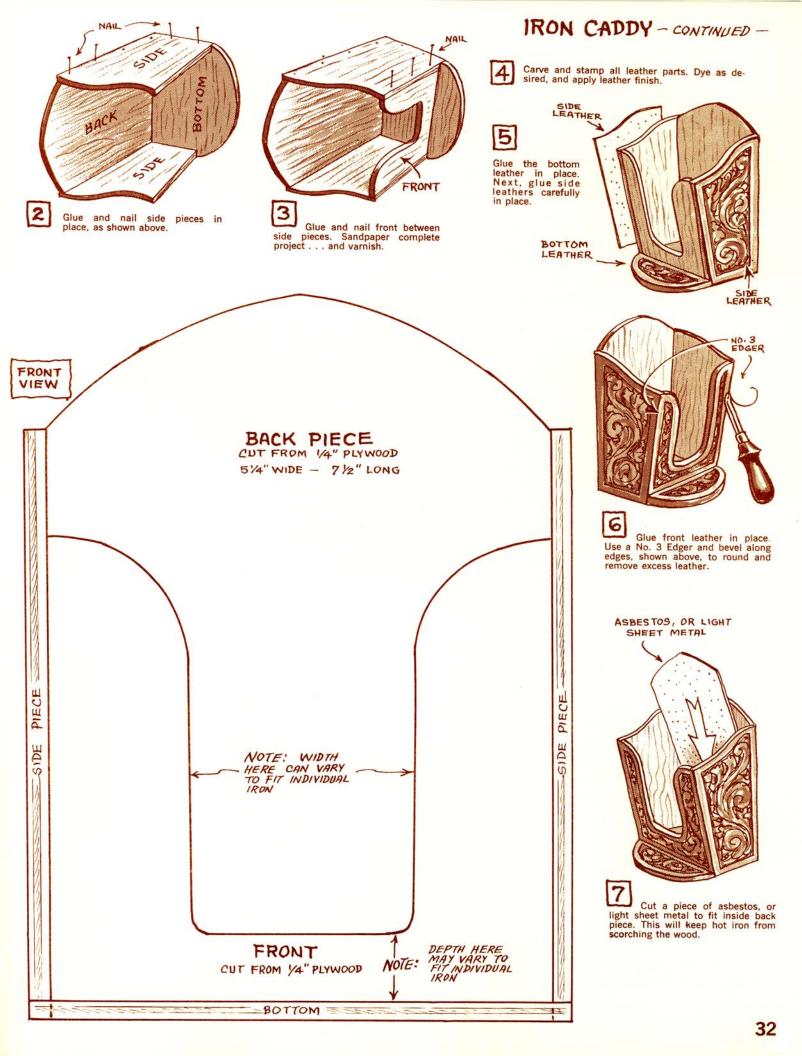
Tack cutter strip in place with small brads or escutcheon pins. See page 29 for position.

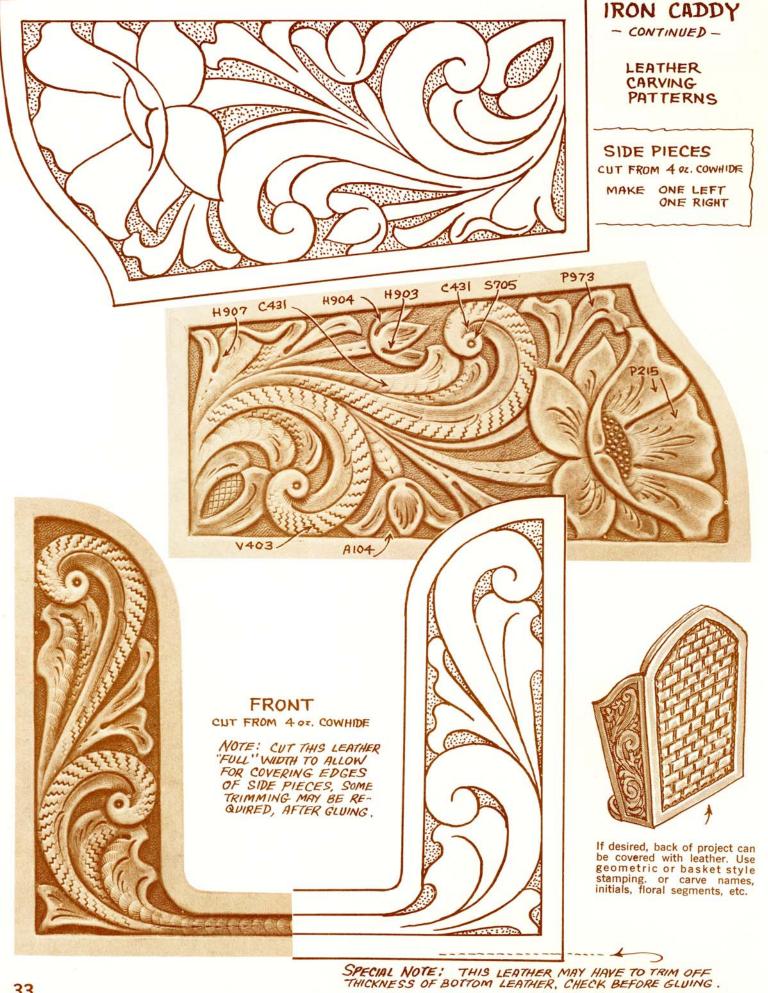


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Carve and stamp the leather parts. Burnish edges; apply leather finish. Glue leather parts in place. Mount on wall at convenient writing level. Insert dowel through roll and drop into slots. Pull end of paper under the cutter strip. Your wall memo is ready to use. To remove memos, pull under cutter strip and tear off.







* ALPHABET
CUT FROM 4/5 oz. LEATHER

This alphabet is presented to aid in "personalizing" your projects. They are very effective when carved and stamped, dyed, cut-out . . . and glued to projects. If carved and stamped, it is suggested they be cemented to cardboard to prevent stretch. Coat all edges with dye and/or leathercraft finish. A few decorative ideas are shown below.

