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Project: Candy Dish

Overview: Make a unique candy dish with all the scraps that you have laying around your shop. Find a few different types of wood and rip them into strips, glue them together and cut the candy dish out.

Materials: Try to find woods with different color accents. Stay away from exotic woods that contain harmful oils.

Minimum Cutting Area: 7/8" x 7" x 18"

Bit Size: 1/4"

Finishing: A food grade finish will be appropriate for sealing these boards. Local hardware stores carry these types of finishes.



Always read the entire project details before starting to cut the file yourself

Account for the thickness of the physical material on hand and the material thickness in the file

This file is zeroed to the tables surface, Zero your bit to the tables surface



Included with the cut file is a hold down toolpath that shows where it is safe to put screws. Run this file separately from the cut file so you can screw down the work piece, or if you have a different size board or different type of hold down disregard the file.

As the file starts cutting the profile of the parts make sure the cut is going all the way through the work piece and into the table surface. If you need to adjust any part of the file make sure you do not remove the hold down or you will loose position.

Tabs are use to hold all the pieces to the scrap wood attached to them. Use a utility knife to score these edges. Never try to push a piece out without cutting the tab, it will tear the grain on your project. Sand remaining tab flat.



Pay attention to the material thick that you end up using. If it is thickened than the material in the file it would be recommended to beef up the tab sizes. You want them to not break off, but easily cut off with a knife.



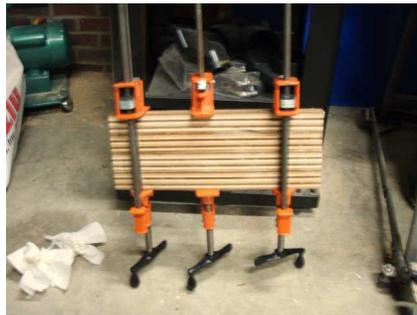
There will be lots of hands reaching into this dish for candy and other treats. Round over all the edges with a 1/4" roundover or a bit size of your choosing.



Sand, sand and sand. This is a dish that will be filled with food and have fingers reaching into it. Make sure all sharp edges have been removed and all the grains have been sanded down.



Watco manufactures a very nice butcher block finish that works very well. Follow the manufactures directions for applications.



The beauty of this project is not just the finished project it is the fact that you are using scraps around the shop that would normally be turned into kindling. Now they have a reclaimed purpose.

Feel free to modify the shape of the dish. If more inner trays are desired or the size of the overall project needs to be changed simply glue up all the scraps you can and create a custom dish to use at your next get together or party.

