



INNER COVER

Instructions for Assembly

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Materials:

- 2 Long Side Pieces (Rabbeted – “section cut out of entire length”). These are part of the frame.
- 2 Short End Pieces (Rabbeted – “section cut out of entire length”). These are part of the frame.
- 3 Flat Boards (Tongue and groove joinery allows for expansion and contraction). The flat piece with the oval hole goes in between the other two pieces.
- All Nails Required for Assembly

Assembly:

1. Place all pieces of the FRAME (2 short and 2 long) on your worktable with the FLAT sides down. One short piece has a cutout “notch” and it is used as a top entry and exit by the bees.
2. Assemble these four pieces to form a “picture frame”. Be sure to keep the flat sides DOWN.
3. For now, hammer just ONE nail in each corner. Keep the corners snug.
4. Now drop the three panels into the frame’s recessed ledge. The panels will help square-up the frame.
5. Each corner now gets a second nail. Make certain the frame looks square.
6. Now you’re ready to drive nails through the ends of the panels into the frame. Use two nails at each end of the outside panels, and one nail at each end of the center panel. NOTE: if you angle the nails toward the center of the frame, you will get better joining (and the nails won’t come through the opposite side).
7. Then drive two nails into the outside long panels, thereby joining it to the frame’s long sides. Congratulations! You are done!

Position the inner cover on the hive body with the FLAT side down, and the cutout notch (bee entrance) to the front. Happy beekeeping!

