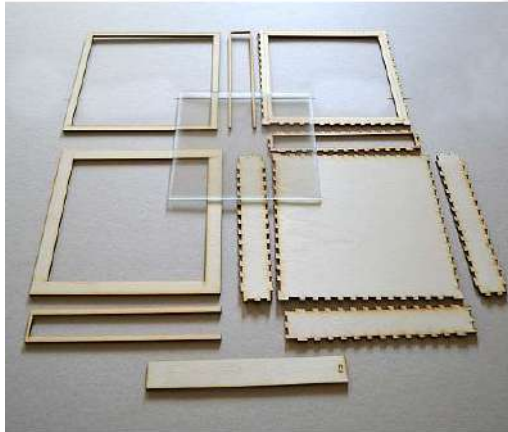




Assembly Instructions – 3mm Drop Box Kits



When you receive your kit it will come as a flat pack pieces. Use a good quality glue for best results.

You can paint the parts before assembly but ensure you avoid getting paint in the finger joints or assembly will be difficult.

The kit also includes an MDF slider (not shown) – more about that later...



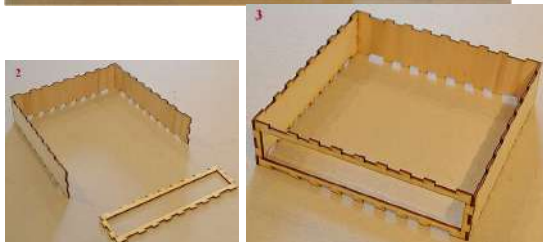
If you're planning to line the box with paper, use the unassembled parts as a pattern.

For the interior, cut straight edge pieces so the finger joints are not covered as shown in this example. Once the box frame is assembled, you'll have neat joins!



Once you're ready to assemble, start with the sides and the top.

Sometimes doing a "dry run" assembly first (no glue!) can help with knowing what should go where!



During the gluing up process you may find low tack masking tape or elastic bands handy to hold everything together while it dries.

4 Glue the back on



The back piece should slot in quite comfortably.

5. Glue on the front with the engraved on the outside



Glue on the front piece, making sure the engraved line is facing out.

6. Glue the thinner frame onto the top



To create the slider for the top of the box, first glue on the thinner (narrower) piece.

Then glue the thicker (wider) piece directly on top of the thinner piece.

This creates the channel for the slider to insert into.

The kit comes with an MDF slider – use this instead of the birch one if you are going to paint the whole box.





It's slightly thinner and smoother and once painted it makes using the slider easier.

11. Glue thinner front onto the front of box.



You'll have 2 front frames – glue the thinner (narrower) piece onto the front of the box frame.

<p>12. Glue in glass.</p> 	<p>Glue in the sheet of Perspex supplied, or you can swap this out for glass if required.</p>
<p>13. Glue top frame on</p> 	<p>Glue on the wider top frame to seal in the Perspex or glass and you're nearly done!</p>
<p>14. Glue oval knob on and hey presto</p> 	<p>Kit comes supplied with an oval finger knob that you can glue on the slider, or replace this with a knob of your choice.</p> <p>We hope you've enjoyed putting your kit together and you'll enjoy the finished product.</p>

HINTS & TIPS

Birch plywood can be left plain and simply varnished or waxed to resist finger marks.

You can also stain, or colour wash the wood so the grain still shows through, or use a pyrography tool to create your own designs.

MDF can be completely painted (inside or out) to suit the occasion or theme, but ensure you avoid the joints for a better fit. For a completely unique piece try decoupage or cover with pretty papers or even fabric.

For fully painted or boxes we recommend you use the 2mm MDF slider provided as this is thinner and once painted will be easier to use.

For best results we recommend DecoArt acrylic paints, glues and finishes.