

## How to Make Twig Furniture



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### Introduction

Twig furniture is easy to make at home using simple tools. Willow twigs are a popular choice because they are easily found and long lasting. You should build a small table as your first project to get acquainted with the twig furniture process.

### Instructions

**Difficulty:** Moderately Easy

### Find and Cut Your Twigs to Size

#### Steps

##### 1 Step One

Check your yard or travel to a wooded area for twigs.

##### 2 Step Two

Use your branch cutters or a saw to cut the twigs to the appropriate lengths.

### Make One Side of the Twig Table Frame

#### Steps

##### 1 Step One

Pre-drill holes in the cut ends of all 8 side pieces. This will be 16 pre-drilled holes in all.

##### 2 Step Two

Pre-drill all four table legs 2 inches from the top.

##### 3 Step Three

Pre-drill all four table legs 2 inches up from the bottom.

##### 4 Step Four

Align the pre-drilled holes in one leg with one side piece and screw together using the drill.

##### 5 Step Five

Screw another leg into the other end of the side piece you just attached a leg to.

##### 6 Step Six

Screw a lower side piece into place on the frame piece you just assembled. This gives you one side of the table.

### Make the Second Frame

#### Steps

##### 1 Step One

Select one of the unused legs and screw it onto both a top and bottom side piece as you did with the first frame piece.

##### 2 Step Two

Screw the remaining unused leg to the top and bottom side pieces. This completes the second half of the frame.

### Attach the Frames to Each Other

#### Steps

##### 1 Step One

Screw the remaining top and bottom side pieces onto one of your pre-made frames at the pre-drilled places.

## 2 Step Two

Align the second frame with the ends of the unattached top and bottom side pieces and screw together.

## Attach Leg Braces

### Steps

#### 1 Step One

Cut four of your remaining twigs so that they fit in the diagonal between the bottom leg and the bottom shelf side.

#### 2 Step Two

Trim the ends on a diagonal and screw in. This adds necessary stability.

## Create the Top and Shelf

### Steps

#### 1 Step One

Cut twigs from the extra bundle slightly longer than the table frame top and shelf

#### 2 Step Two

Attach these using small nails to create the table top and lower shelf.

## Overall Tips & Warnings

Always pre-drill holes in the furniture.

Attempting to screw pieces together without pre-drilling will split the twig.

## Overall Things You'll Need

Drill, tape measure, branch cutters, knife, screws, nails

Four 18 inch long twigs at least 1 1/2 inches thick (legs); four 14 inch long twigs 1 inch thick or smaller (sides of lower shelf); four 12 inch long twigs about 1/2 inch thick (sides of table top); a bundle of smaller twigs of various lengths (table top and shelf top)

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STOP using the word pre-drill. It makes no sense. How do you drill a hole before you drill a hole. Just "drill" will suffice.

Do not get me started on "12 items or less". It's "fewer", not "less".

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