

## SIMPLE JIG FOR RIPPING

# Thin Strips

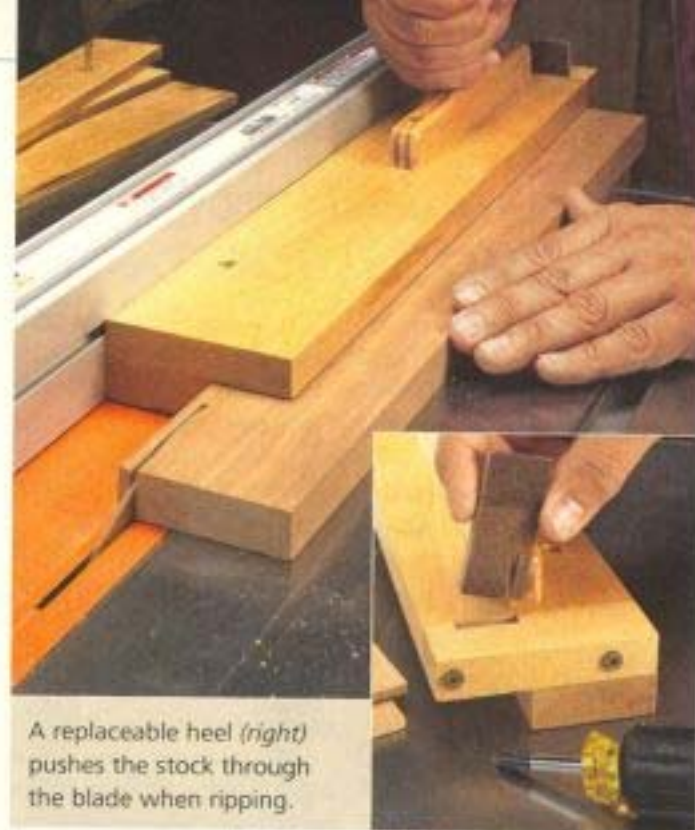
This easy-to-build jig lets you cut multiple strips to identical thickness — without adjusting the fence or risking a kickback.

It's always a challenge when a project calls for cutting thin wood strips on a table saw. If the strip falls to the *outside* of the blade, you have to reposition the rip fence for each cut. If it's *between* the fence and blade, it can cause a kickback.

A better solution is this jig submitted by George Person from Costa Mesa, CA. It lets you cut identical strips without moving the fence — and with virtually no chance of kickback.

The jig works like a big push block that rides against the rip fence as you make a cut. A wide base captures the workpiece beneath (Photo). And a replaceable heel, which is held in place by a pressure block, hooks over the end of the workpiece to push it through the saw blade (Inset Photo).

To keep the jig from rocking, a spacer that's the same thickness as the workpiece is attached to the base of the jig. You'll want to make several spacers to match common stock thicknesses.

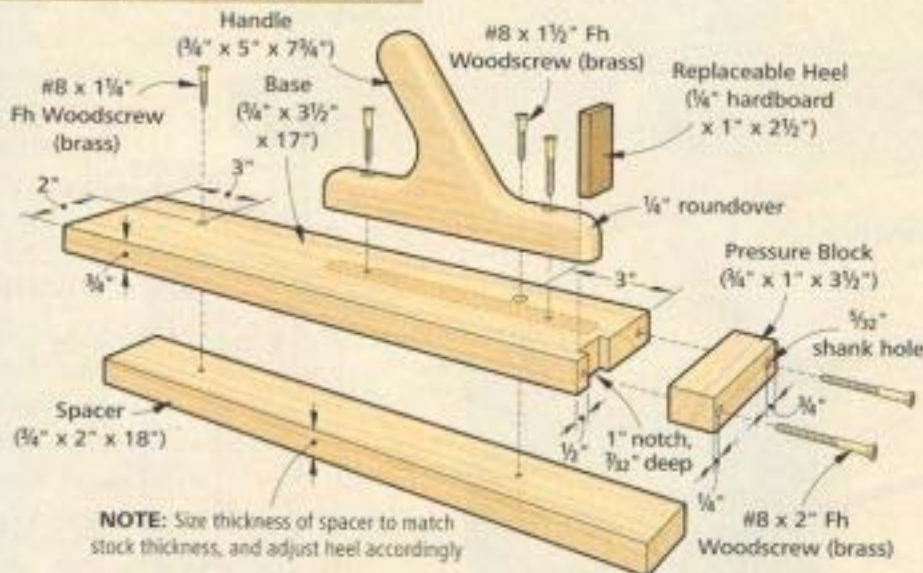


A replaceable heel (right) pushes the stock through the blade when ripping.

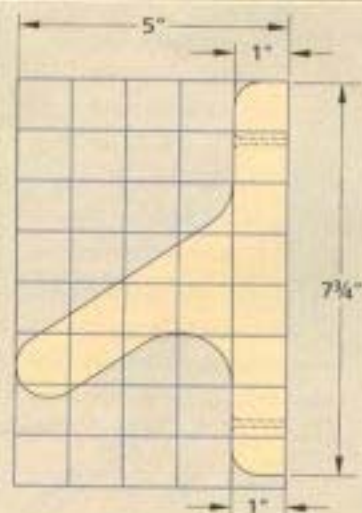
To make the jig, start by cutting the base to size (Construction View). Then notch the end of the base to accept the hardboard heel. Note that this notch is a bit shallower than the heel

thickness. That way, when you screw the pressure block in place, it holds the heel securely. To complete the jig, cut a handle to shape (Handle Parts View), and attach the appropriate-thickness spacer.

## CONSTRUCTION VIEW



## HANDLE PARTS VIEW



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