

More “Pallet Furniture” Ideas

There seems to be an endless supply of ideas for turning wood pallets – which can usually be obtained for free – into buildings, furniture, planters, and much more. We’ve featured some in the past (Vol. 32, No. 3 and Vol. 36, No. 4) and several websites specialize in pallet ideas, such as www.99pallets.com, www.101pallets.com, and www.1001pallets.com.



Donna Zang built this pallet board bench in memory of a friend who died. He was a daily visitor to a dog park, so the memorial bench includes side baskets to hold balls and doggy treats.



Third grade teacher Donna Zang, Pittsburgh, Penn., turned pallet boards into an attractive wine rack.



Donna Zang also came up with this design for a wishing well.



A pallet filled with dirt can be used to make a weed-free garden.



Picnic table built from several pallets seats 8 adults.

Giant Air Horn Made From PA Speakers

Dave Dam has been turning old artillery shells of various sizes into steam whistles for years. The Eau Claire, Wis., whistle expert recently put together 5 giant air horns of different sizes, all hooked up together on a pipe frame.

“It looks impressive and is twice as big as a 5-chime train horn,” says Dam. “I use a large propane tank for an air tank in my pickup and usually keep the pressure at 125 psi.”

All 5 air horns are made out of 3-in. dia. pvc pipe for the body and have 8-in. diaphragms made from in-floor house drains. The horn bodies measure 6, 9, 12, 18, and 24 in. long. The biggest horn has a 12-in.

dia. public address speaker forming the flared end of the horn, while the smallest has an 8-in. dia. speaker. Dam made T-shaped brackets for each air horn and screwed them to a frame made from 3/4-in. dia. pipe.

The entire setup mounts on a single pipe stand. “One pipe slides over another pipe so I can rotate it in any direction,” says Dam.

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