## CAD Tutorial : Storage Unit



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## By the end of this tutorial you will be able to...

- Link basic shapes
- Use the Arc tool
- Use the Follow Me tool to produce a rounded edge
- Use construction lines/points
- Colour/render your finished storage unit


## Skills to be used in this project...

| Basic Skills | New and Higher Skills |
| :---: | :---: |
| Zoom tool | Construction lines and points |
| Orbit tool | Tape Measure tool |
| Pan tool | Arc tool |
| Line tool | Follow Me tool |
| Rectangle tool | Loading new toolbars |
| Circle tool | Paint Bucket tool |
| Eraser tool |  |
| Push/Pull tool |  |

Basic skills are those required to do very basic drawings and are detailed as part of this presentation.

New and higher skills may be new to the novice and are the focus for learning in this presentation.

2. Select Units and choose Decimal Millimetres. We are using this template because we are doing a product design.

Note: It is often necessary to start a new file to use the new template. Go to File then New.

1. Open the sketch up drawing. Once you have opened SketchUp, go to Window and select Model Info

2. Now select the View then toolbars and ensure Getting Started and Large Tool Set are ticked



## Carcass Construction


4. Select the Rectangle tool and draw a rectangle on the base by clicking and dragging the cursor diagonally.

5. Once you have drawn the rectangle, enter ' 220,70 ' and then press Enter. Click on the zoom extents symbol. tool to raise the shape up. Type in 10 and press enter.

7. Use the select tool and keep clicking on the tank until it is all selected and highlighted in blue.
8. Right click on the mouse to produce the menu shown above and click on make group
9. Click on the rectangle tool. Click on the corner shown and pull it diagonally back to the far edge in the component.


12. Use the select tool and click on the side shown
 click on the middle endpoint shown.
14. Press the Ctrl button (copy) found on the bottom left hand side of the keyboard once. Then move the copied shape so it touches the endpoint shown.

15. Use the select tool and click on the base shown once.

16. Select the move tool and click on the endpoint shown.





26. Use the push pull tool. Hover over the edge shown. It will indicate you are over it by going dotted.
27. Using the push pull tool push the shape in. Type in 5 and press enter.

29. Use the select tool and click on the side piece shown twice to edit. Everything else should be greyed out.
28. Use the orbit tool to move to the other side of the unit. Using the push pull tool push the opposite side in. Type in 5 and press enter.


33. Using the push pull tool hoover over the square you have just drawn. It will go dotted to indicate you are over it.



39. Use the select tool and click on the shelf piece shown once. Right click and press hide. You should have drawn slots in for the shelve to sit in as shown. Click on edit and unhide all to put the shelve back.

## NB. These are

 known as housing joints. click on the middle piece shown twice to edit. Everything else should be greyed out.

41. Use the rectangle tool to draw a square starting from the top left corner shown. Drag the square diagonally down to finish in the bottom right hand corner shown

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42. Using the push pull tool push the square back. Type in 60 and press enter.



43. Use the select tool and click on the shelf piece shown once. Right click and press hide. You should have drawn a slot in the middle now for the shelve slide into as shown. Click on edit and unhide all to put the shelve back.
44. Use the select tool and click on the middle piece shown twice to edit. Everything else should be greyed out.
45. Using the pencil tool move it along the edge where the shelve meets the middle diving piece until it snaps to the endpoint outside active. Click to start drawing a line from here.

47. Orbit to the other side of the unit. Repeat steps 45 and 46 as shown.
46. Using the pencil tool draw a line to the end of the shelve, it will say intersection.

48. Use the select tool and click on the middle piece shown once. Right click and press hide.
49. Using the pencil tool draw a line across the two endpoints to join them together.

50. Using the push pull tool push the piece down. Type in 10 and press enter.



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52. Use the select tool and click on the middle piece shown once. Right click and press hide.
53. Using the select tool, double click on the piece shown to edit it. All the other pieces should be greyed out. Then click on the edge shown to highlight it in blue.
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54. Whilst on the selected blue line, right click with the mouse and select divide.



63. Use the rectangle tool to draw a square starting from the top left corner shown. Drag the square diagonally down to finish in the bottom right hand corner shown over the square that should be showing through the side piece you have just previously drawn.

64. Using the push pull tool. Push the middle rectangle in. Type 5 and press enter.
65. Repeat steps 62-64 on
the opposite side piece.



69. Using the pencil tool, move your pencil along the blue line until it snaps to an endpoint. Draw your line down on the blue axis

70. Using the pencil tool, move your pencil along the blue line until it snaps to each endpoint. Draw your lines down on the blue axis. You should have six lines in total.

71. Using the push pull tool. Hover over the rectangle shown. It will go dotted

72. Using the push pull tool. Push the middle rectangle in. Type 10 and press enter.
73. Using the push pull tool. Push the rectangles shown in. Type 10 and press enter.


75. Using the pencil tool, move your pencil along the blue line until it snaps to an endpoint. Draw your line down on the blue axis. Repeat your lines down on each endpoint. You should have six lines in totzh.

176. Using the push pull tool. Push the rectangles shown in. Type 10 and press enter.
177. Using the select tool, double click on the piece shown to edit it. All the other pieces should be greyed out. Then click on the edge shown to highlight it in blue. Using the mouse, you can move it up and down the blue line to divide it into segments or you can type 7 and press enter.



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78. Using the select tool, double click on the piece shown to edit it. All the other pieces should be greyed out.

79. Orbit around to the top of the product. Select the rectangle tool and draw a square starting from the left corner (endpoint) shown. Drag the square diagonally down to finish in the right corner endpoint shown.
80. Repeat the process on the middle square shown.

84. Orbit around to the bottom of the product. Select the rectangle tool and draw a square starting from the left corner (endpoint) shown.
Drag the square diagonally down to finish in the right corner endpoint shown. Repeat for all the squares.

85. Use the push pull tool to pull each square down by 10.

NB. These are known as finger $j$ jus
86. Repeat the process on the other side piece or copy and paste the one you have just drawn across.


Back piece construction

2. Using the select tool, double click on the middle piece shown to edit it. All the other pieces should be greyed out.
3. Using the push pull tool. Push the middle edge shown back.
Type 10 and press enter.


5. Using the push pull tool. Push the middle edges shown back.
Type 10 and press


7. Orbit around to the top of the product and around the back again
8. Select the tape measure tool.
9. Click on the edge shown.
10. Pull the tape measure back.
11. Type in 10 and press enter

12. Select the tape measure tool.
13. Click on the edge shown.
14. Pull the tape measure back.
15. Type in 6 and press enter
16. Using the select tool, double click on the top piece shown to edit it. All the other pieces should be greyed out.

18. Drag the square diagonally up to the top of the product so it touches the other 6 mm guideline. Type in 4, 4 and press enter or move the square tool around until it shows a diagonal line and says square.


19. Using the push pull tool. Push the square you have just drawn back. Type 220 and press enter. You will have drawn a groove for the back piece to slide into.

20. Select the zoom tool and zoom out so you can see the guidelines you have drawn all the way down the side piece.


21. Using the select tool, double click on the bottom piece shown to edit it. All the other pieces should be greyed out.
22. Use the square tool and draw a square diagonally down from the endpoint shown. Type in 4, 4 and press enter or move the square tool around until it shows a diagonal line 4 and says square.
23. Using the push pull tool. Push the square you have just drawn back. Type 220 and press enter. You will have drawn a groove for the back piece to slide into.

25. Using the select tool, double click on the side piece shown to edit it. All the other pieces should 80
26. Select the tape measure tool. Click on the edge shown. Pull the tape measure back. Type in 10 and press enter

 and says square.

31. Using the push pull tool. Push the square you have just drawn down. Type 230 and press enter. You will have drawn a groove for the back piece to slide into.
32. Orbit around to the bottom of the product. Click on the bottom piece hd hide.
33. Select the tape measure tool. Click on the edge shown. Pull the tape measure back. Type in 10 and press enter. Repeat and draw a line back 6.



39. Using the select tool, click on the one of the side pieces.

Hold the shift key down (arrow pointing up foul
under caps lock)
Click on the top
pieces so the two pieces are highlighted
40. Right click with the mouse and select hide.

41. Use the square tool and draw a square diagonally across from the endpoints shown at the top of the remaining side piece.


42. Using the push pull tool. Push the square you have just drawn down. Type 334 and press enter.

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43. Using the push pull tool. Pull the edge of the shape you have just drawn across as shown. Type 204 and press enter.

44. Using the push pull tool. Pull the edge of the shape up. Type 4 and press enter.
45. Use the select tool and click on the back piece shape three times to select the entire object.
46. On the mouse right click and then select make group.

47. Click on the edit toolbar at the top of the screen. Then click on unhide and select all.

You have now drawn the back piece that is held in place by the slots you have drawn.



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Front Trim for Door Hinges


1. Use the pencil tool and draw a line from the two end points shown.

2. Use the pencil tool and draw a line from the two end points shown.




3. Use the pencil tool and draw a line from the two end points shown.

4. Use the pencil tool and draw a line from the two end points shown.

5. Use the pencil tool and draw a line from the two end points shown.
6. Using the push pull tool. Pull the shape up. Type 10 and press enter.


7. Use the select tool and click on the piece three times to select the entire object.
8. On the mouse right click and then select make group.
9. Repeat steps $\mathbf{9 - 1 5}$ on the bottom piece. Make sure you group it once you have drawn the front trim piece


10. You have now drawn all the trim pieces for your storage unit. The joints in the corner of mitre joints.


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## Doors



1. Use the square tool and draw a square diagonally across from top left corner endpoint shown. Type in 110,250 and press enter.
2. Using the push pull tool. Pull the shape up. Type 10 and press enter.



3. Using the push pull tool. Pull the shape up. Type 10 and press enter. Click on the shape three times and group.

4. Repeat steps 7, 8 and 9 in the opposite door.


Draws


1. Select the Rectangle tool and draw a rectangle on the base by clicking and dragging the cursor diagonally. Type in 90,120 and press enter.
2. Use the push pull tool to raise the shape up. Type in 4 and press enter. Click on the shape three times On the mouse right click and
 then select make group.


3. Using the select tool, double click on the piece shown to edit it. All the other pieces should be greyed out. Then click on the edge shown to highlight it in blue.
4. Using the mouse, you can move it up and down the blue line to divide it into segments or you can type 3 and press enter.

5. Using the pencil tool, move your pencil along the blue line until it snaps to an endpoint. Draw your line up on the blue axis. Repeat your line up on each endpoint. You should have two lines in total.

6. Click on the edge shown to highlight it in blue. Whilst on the selected blue line, right click with the mouse and select divide. Using the mouse, you can move it up and down the blue line to divide it into segments or you can type 3 and press enter.



7. Using the pencil tool, move your pencil along the blue line until it snaps to an endpoint. Draw your line down of the blue axis. Repeat your lines down on each endpoint. You should have two

8. Orbit and click on the edge shown to highlight it in blue. Whilst on the selected blue line, right click with the mouse and select divide. Using the mouse, you can move it up and down the blue line to divide it into segments or you can type 3 and press enter.
. Using the pencil tool, move your pencil along the blue line until it snaps to an endpoint. Draw your line down on the blue axis. Repeat your lines down on each endpoint. You should have two lines in total.
9. Using the push pull tool. Pull the middle rectangle out shown. Type 4 and press enter. Click off the shape anywhere on the screen to take it out of edit mode.

10. Orbit around to the bottom of the product. Select the rectangle tool and draw a square starting from the left corner (endpoint) shown.
Drag the square diagonally down to finish in the right corner endpoint shown.
11. Using the push pull tool. Pull the middle rectangle out shown. Type 4 and press enter.


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22. Using the pencil tool, move your pencil along the blue line until it snaps to an endpoint. Draw your line across on the green axis. Repeat your lines down on each endpoint. You should have two lines in total.

23. Using the push pull tool. Pull the middle rectangle out shown. Type 4 and press enter. Click off the shape anywhere on the screen to take it out of eult mode.
24. Repeat steps 21,22 and 23 on the opposite side.


## 25. Click on the shape three

On the mouse right click
then select make group.
26. Select the Rectangle tool and draw a rectangle starting on the bottom right hand corner endpoint shown by clicking and dragging the cursor diagonally inwards. Type in 84, 4 and press enter.

28. Orbit and click on the edge shown to highlight it in blue. Whilst on the selected blue line, right click with the mouse and select divide. Using the mouse, you can move it up and down the blue line to divide it into segments or you can type 3 and press enter.

29. Using the pencil tool, move your pencil along the blue line until it snaps to an endpoint. Draw your line across on the red axis. Repeat your lines down on each endpoint. You should have two lines in total.
30. Using the push pull tool. Pull the shape out shown. Type 10 and press enter.


 keyboard once.

37. Move the copied shape and click on the endpoint shown.
38. Orbit around to the front of the product. Select the rectangle tool and draw a square starting from the bottom left corner (endpoint) shown. Drag the square diagonally up to finish in the right corner endpoint shown. tool. Pull the shape out shown. Type 10 and press enter.
40. Using the push pull tool. Pull the edge of the shape out shown. Type 6.5 and press enter.

43. Using the push pull tool. Pull the edge of the shape out shown. Type 10 and press enter.
44. Orbit around to the front of the product. Select the rectangle tool and trace a rectangle over the shapes showing through starting from the bottom left corner (endpoint) shown. Drag the square diagonally up to finish in the right corner endpoint shown.


49. Copy and paste so you have two draw pieces
48. Use the select tool to drag over the entire shape
On the mouse right click and then select make group.


52. Using the move tool move the draw until it touches theendpoint shown.


53. Using the move tool move the other draw until it touches the endpoint shown.
54. Use your own skills to add more details

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