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New Corner Key Doweling Jig from Rockler Adds Style and Strength to Mitered Joints on Boxes

MEDINA, MN (Feb. 5, 2019) – Rockler Woodworking and Hardware has developed a drilling jig that makes it easy to add decorative details to the mitered corners of boxes while also reinforcing the joints.

The Rockler Corner Key Doweling Jig clamps to the corner of a box and guides an extended-length bit through the joint at a perfect 45° angle to the sides. The resulting holes allow users to add visual interest with contrasting wooden dowels, non-ferrous metal rods, tubes or even leather cord. The jig includes interchangeable 1/8", 1/4" and 3/8" diameter drilling guides, and because the dowels or rods are oriented across the joint, they increase its strength, much like splines.

"Miter joints on boxes make attractive corners, but they're not especially strong," said Steve Krohmer, Rockler's vice president of product development. "With the Corner Key Doweling Jig, you can create unique accents and patterns with the cross dowels and make the joint stronger, too."

The jig is adjustable to work with different thicknesses of stock and to allow fine-tuning of the hole position. Once set, the jig can be moved and simply reclamped to drill a series of matching holes. Large clamping areas make it easy to secure the jig to the workpiece, and a clear hairline indicator window enables precise positioning.

Rockler also has added 1/8" diameter, 1/4" diameter and 3/8" diameter premium extended-length drill bits made from M2 high-speed steel especially for use with the jig.

As part of the product rollout, Rockler is offering a free downloadable plan for a kitchen knife block that incorporates a decorative corner dowel pattern created with the jig. The plan and other product information are available at Rockler.com/build.

The Rockler Corner Key Doweling Jig (59517) is priced at \$35.99 and can be purchased exclusively at Rockler.com or at Rockler Woodworking and Hardware stores nationwide, as well as through the Rockler catalog. For store locations or a free catalog, visit www. rockler.com or call 1-877-ROCKLER.



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