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Subject: speaker box/baffle material

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John Busch's open baffle speakers were just plain fun at the audio festival. He was kind enough to explain his design so it seemed like a cool idea to build a pair. I've no talent with wood so a baffle speaker is the right skill level for an entry level speaker project. The local lumber yard has 1/2" ocf and a much denser 3/4" particle board. A friend advised me that the 1/2" material would ring too much and the heavier and denser the material the better. Yet John used 3/4" ocf for his baffles. Now I'm wondering what is the right material. Is there a generally accepted level of good/better/best sounding speaker cabinet material? The 3/4" seems like a good choice for a starter project if for no other reason it has no splinters. Will it sound ok? Many thanks!

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