Subject: Re: All this is good stuff and.....
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especially the jig mentioned by Sr. Fitz. Best build fir that is 2 of the bars that let your miter gauge slide in the slot. But you still have that little bitty table and what, 20" rip capacity?The BT3100 is a really great saw with a 32" capacity and just $300. I haven't tried one but it looks good for occasional cabinet work.Best of all is to find a used Delta 36-444 Contractors saw. Or the older Sears that's quite similar. They have 27" wide tables and you can even put a 50" Biesmeyer fence on one.Before I had a table saw I used the factory edge of a piece of plywood screwed and glued to a piece of hardboard. You use enough width of plywood so that you can clamp it to the workpiece w/o the motor housing of the saw getting in the way and enough width of masonite so when you make the first cut, the masonite that's left attached to the plywood is forever a cutting guide.As for the saw, don't think twice, get the Makita 100x. Other good ones but it's the best value by far.Oh yeah, nobody uses it anymore, not me either but there was a time when making the cut on the saw guide was done with a router, not a saw. Nice clean edge, ya see.