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Subject: Jim Beam or Johnny Walker?

Posted by [lon](#) on Mon, 19 Apr 2004 03:29:23 GMT

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I haven't decided on the name for the new project I have started. Link below shows the design. Looks sort of like the cartona Christmas bottle of booze comes in so I'll call it the Johnny Walker or the Jim Beam. It is small because this is my first ever all scratch built project. I bought a couple of handy panels 2' x 4' and the fellow who got my dad's table saw helped me do the cutting. The guy has a jointer too which was real handy with this stuff. I dry clamped one box together and everything is pretty well square and everything matches. I had him cut extra fronts and backs in case I screw up the hole making procedures. Hole making and everything else will have to wait since I haven't got the right tools as of yet. Even though this is an unconventional design it met all the criteria of having to work in a small space with only 2 clamps and transporting panels in a passenger car. I've wanted to use some Tangband and I like the idea of nearfield speakers for computer use. The small speaker stands I got from PE may work to get them just the right height if they can take the weight. If absolutely nothing works the investment has been small. But I am going to tool up when the sales at Father's Day get cooking. That piece from a few months ago where the guy uses the Rotozip for all the shaping is going to be my guide on these little guys. Lastly, just looking at them, I toyed with the idea of leaving the bottom open, putting some spikes or something on and putting them atop a couple marble tiles which are available at the home stores. Maybe Marin King will come back in here and give an opinion on this unconventional idea. [lon@athenet.net](mailto:lon@athenet.net)  
Zaphods nearfield design for Tangband

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Subject: Pan Galactic Gargle Blaster

Posted by [Wayne Parham](#) on Mon, 19 Apr 2004 03:43:35 GMT

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Looks pretty cool, and I like your ideas for names. The name of the guy that did the plans is really hip and froody too. I like! But now that I think about it, maybe you'll call it the Pan Galactic Gargle Blaster instead. That's what Zaphod likes to drink, you know.

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Subject: Re: Pan Galactic Gargle Blaster

Posted by [lon](#) on Mon, 19 Apr 2004 04:14:52 GMT

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...with his Vindaloo if I remember the Hitchhiker's Guide right. Zaphod (sorry Zaphoid) writes regularly to the Madisound board using his real name and he lives very near me. but I don't use his name cuz he's sort of a curmudgeon. However you will note from his site that he does real craftsman work. I figured if I got into trouble I'd have somebody close to get me out of a jam...

like the part about finding someone with a roundover bit to do the edges of the Rotozip can't handle it... not to mention the rabbet work needed to flush mount. I think I'll be surface mounting the driver unless the Tool Fairy is good to me.

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