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Subject: Anyone using biscuits when building speakers?  
Posted by [dbishopbliss](#) on Wed, 15 Aug 2007 11:20:38 GMT  
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As I have been looking around it seems that everyone uses butt-joints for their enclosures. The manager at my local woodworking shop has encouraged me to use biscuits and tongue & groove joints. I must say that glue up is very easy in comparison to my earlier attempts at butt-joints. Am I missing something or is it that they are so much more work that people don't bother?

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Subject: Re: Anyone using biscuits when building speakers?  
Posted by [Wayne Parham](#) on Wed, 15 Aug 2007 15:04:04 GMT  
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Our cabinet shop uses tongue and groove joints.

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Subject: Re: Anyone using biscuits when building speakers?  
Posted by [Shane](#) on Thu, 16 Aug 2007 01:43:46 GMT  
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I didn't use biscuits on mine, cuz I don't have a biscuit cutter, but I did use dowels which helped a lot with lineup of the parts.

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Subject: Re: Anyone using biscuits when building speakers?  
Posted by [PakProtector](#) on Sat, 27 Oct 2007 23:03:36 GMT  
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hey-Hey!!!,not me...just but joints. I am preparing to do some 8' twin driver Voigt pipes, and I figure 1/4-rounds glued onto a chalk line will make things quite easy to do final assembly on. Of course it is possible that I will discover I need one more clamp than I can get my hands on....)cheers,Douglas

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Subject: . . . or is it that they are so much more work that people don't bother?  
Posted by [Poindexter](#) on Tue, 04 Dec 2007 01:33:58 GMT  
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Hardly. The beauty of biscuit joinery is the amount of time you save, even over a plain butt joint. It makes the joint automatically self-registering, so you can just spread the glue and go. You don't even have to glue in the biscuit pockets; just slather a little on the biscuit itself. For me, it's a life saver for complicated box assemblies with a fast glue like T3 - I don't have to spend all those seconds getting everything registered. I think the main stopper for regular guys is getting the biscuit machine. Aloha, Poinz

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Subject: Re: Anyone using biscuits when building speakers?

Posted by [Jeffery L](#) on Thu, 27 Dec 2007 21:53:15 GMT

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I am a of rabbet and dado joints. They will line everything up for you. I would also say it depends a lot on the type of wood you are gluing. Every wood holds glue differently and in each circumstance the strength of a butt joint will differ. I had an old box made from MDF using only glue, rabbet and dado joints. When it had served me well I decide to give it the old sledge-O-matic treatment and the joints never gave, the box did have a lot of 6" holes in it though.

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