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Subject: How-to

Posted by [derekdun101](#) on Fri, 23 Jun 2006 21:14:54 GMT

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With a background in carpentry and cabinet making, I was asked by a friend to construct the pi cabinets. I received the dwg file, and downloaded the trial version of Autocad. This is still Chinese to me (as in, like reading another language I dont know). Who out there has some advice on how to go from a bunch of undimensioned trapazoids, to actually developing a working set of plans someone could actually build off of? Does this require an autocad expert?

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Posted by [Wayne Parham](#) on Sat, 24 Jun 2006 04:39:20 GMT

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step-by-step pictorial writeup of the construction process. If you want, I can also send out some image files containing the drawing I did of the prototype. It isn't as accurate as the AutoCAD drawing, but it may be useful for you. It is drawn as a side view and it makes it easy to see the dimensions of each part.

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Subject: Re: How-to with CAD

Posted by [dB](#) on Sun, 25 Jun 2006 12:20:13 GMT

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Hi, After ten years working with AutoCad I must admit that it might be a little intimidating at the beginning. But you will get to 3d and all after a few weeks. The best advice is to get a tutorial (maybe from the web) or get a friend to teach you at his or your house/office. The printing is a little technical, but you will get there. Make a few tests of scale prints with the/your printer for start. Make shure the units are in Imperial or Metrics the way you want. Take your time. Regards

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