

# Make Some Dust Wooden Deer Pattern



Note: Not all printers will print to the correct size. A 1" square has been included for you to make sure your printer is to scale. In order for the pattern to work, you may need to adjust your printer's settings to get the pattern to the correct scale. You can scale your reindeer to larger or smaller sizes, but the instructions included assume you are working with a 2x4 from a lumber yard.

## Materials Needed:

(1) 2x4 from the lumber yard. You can make 12 reindeer from an 8' 2x4.

## Tools, Equipment, and Supplies I used:

*(Note: There are always many ways to do woodworking. This is just what I used).*

Carpenter's Pencil	Band Saw with 1/4" blade	Spray Lacquer
Masking Tape/Painter's Tape	Spindle Sander	Ribbon

**1. Cut your 2x4 into pieces that are 7-1/2" long.** You should be able to get 12 reindeer out of one 2x4 (8' long).

*(For those new to woodworking, a 2x4 at the lumber yard will be 3-1/2" x 1-1/2". It is called a 2x4 because that is the size it was when it was rough cut from the log. Once it dries and is planed, the finished size that is sold is 1-1/2"x3-1/2".*

*That said, if you are just making this out of a scrap of wood, a piece that is 7-1/2" long by 3-1/2" wide and 1-1/2" thick will work. Some of mine are made from scraps of cherry or hickory wood (obviously not a 2x4). Just get creative with what you have on hand, and remember there are no rules to woodworking).*

**2. Using the attached design and a carpenter's pencil, draw the pattern on your wood.** The corners marked with "A" should be the same point.

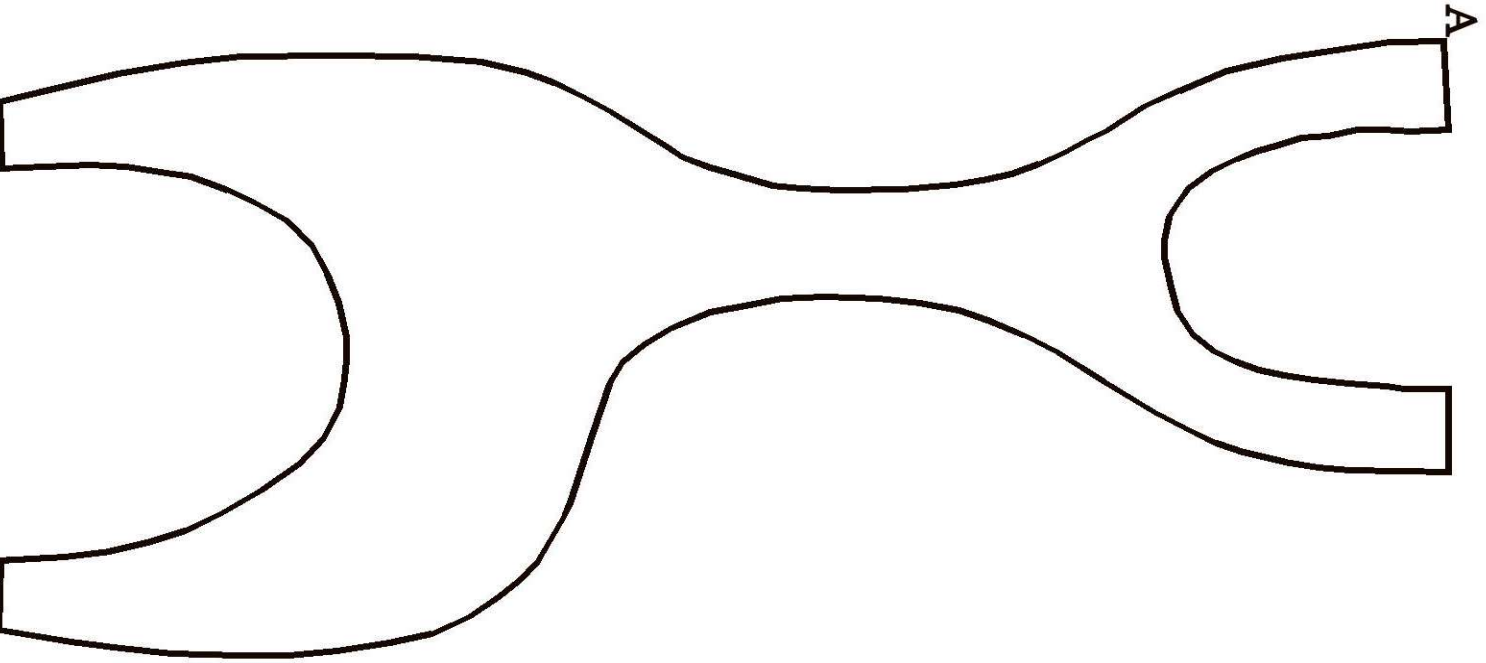
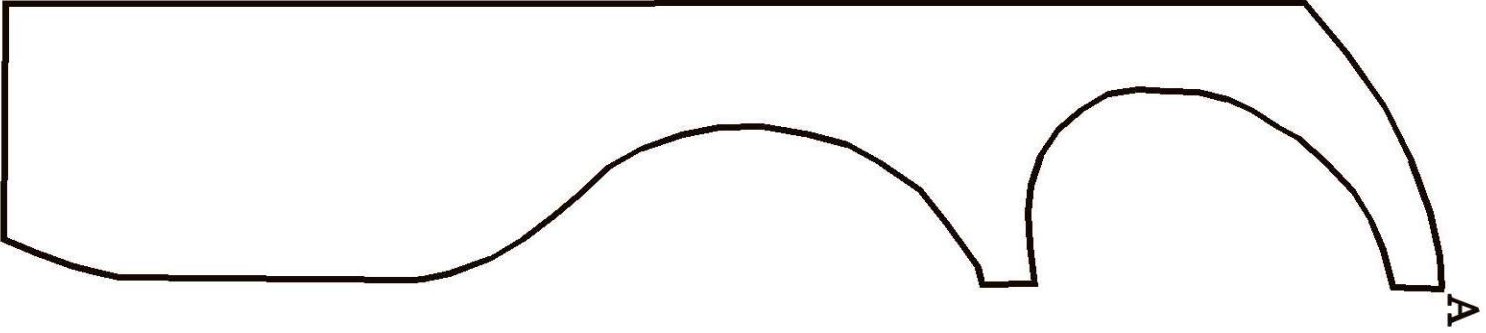
**3. Using the band saw, cut the pattern on the 1-1/2" side of the board first.** Don't toss your wood scraps. Tape them back into the wood block with masking tape.

**4. Cut the pattern on the 3-1/2" side.** As you are cutting, go slowly and smoothly to reduce sanding time later. You should now have a rough cut reindeer.

**5. Take your reindeer to the spindle sander to get rid of the rough edges and prep it for the lacquer finish.** *Hint: If you don't have a spindle sander, a cylinder sander will work as well. You can also hand sand.*

**6. In a dust free environment, spray lacquer on each reindeer.** I do my lacquer in thin coats and I apply about 3 coats for each reindeer. I allow about 15 minutes in between coats for drying time. *(Dry time may vary depending on your brand of lacquer).*

**7. I find that adding a ribbon bow to the neck of the reindeer gives it a nice finished look.**



1"  
Square