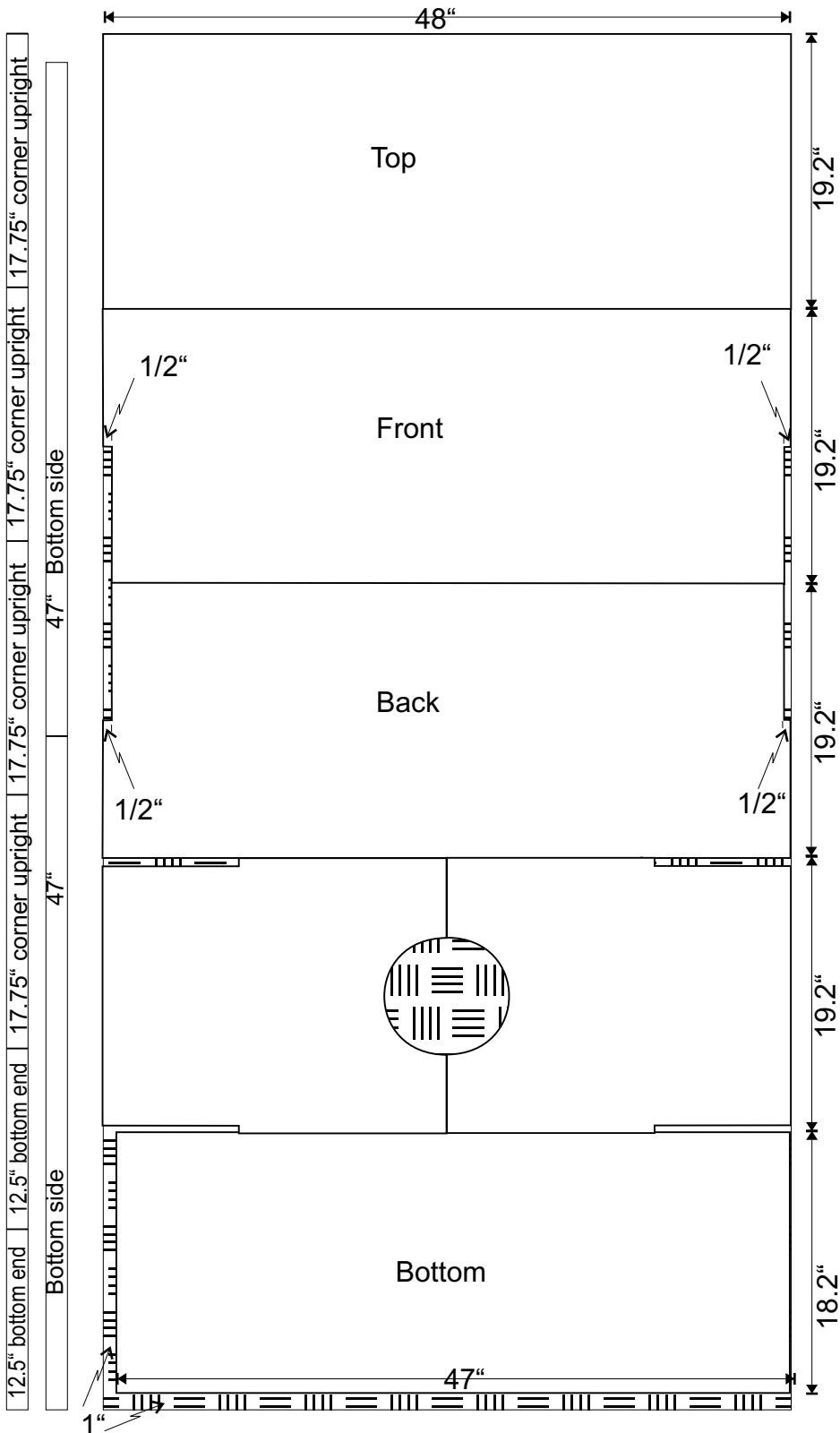


Medieval Six-Board Chest From A Sheet of 1/2" Plywood



Materials:

- One 4'x8' sheet of 1/2" plywood
- Two 1"x2"x8' furring strips
- Carpenter's glue
- Wood putty
- Sandpaper
- Paint, or stain and varnish as desired
- Wrought-iron strap hinges and handles or
Leather strap hinges and handles with decorative nails
- A box of 1" wood screws

Tools:

- Circular saw with plywood blade
- Jigsaw with wood-cutting blade
- Drill and bits
- Screwdriver bit for drill
- C-clamps

Directions:

1. Mark the plywood and 1x2s for cutting.
2. Cut all pieces and sand edges.
3. Glue and screw 1x2 strips around edges of the bottom panel.
4. Test assemble.
5. Glue and screw furring strips to end panels.
Tip #1: Furring strips have their wide sides facing the walls/ends.
Tip #2: Screw from the outside in. The plywood is much more split-resistant. Yes, you'll have to fill the holes.
6. Using clamps and the bottom panel to keep things square, glue and screw the sides together.
7. Glue and screw the bottom panel into place.
8. Attach the lid with the hinges. Attach the handles.
9. Hide the screw holes with putty.
10. Paint or stain. For stain, be sure to sand off all glue from surface.