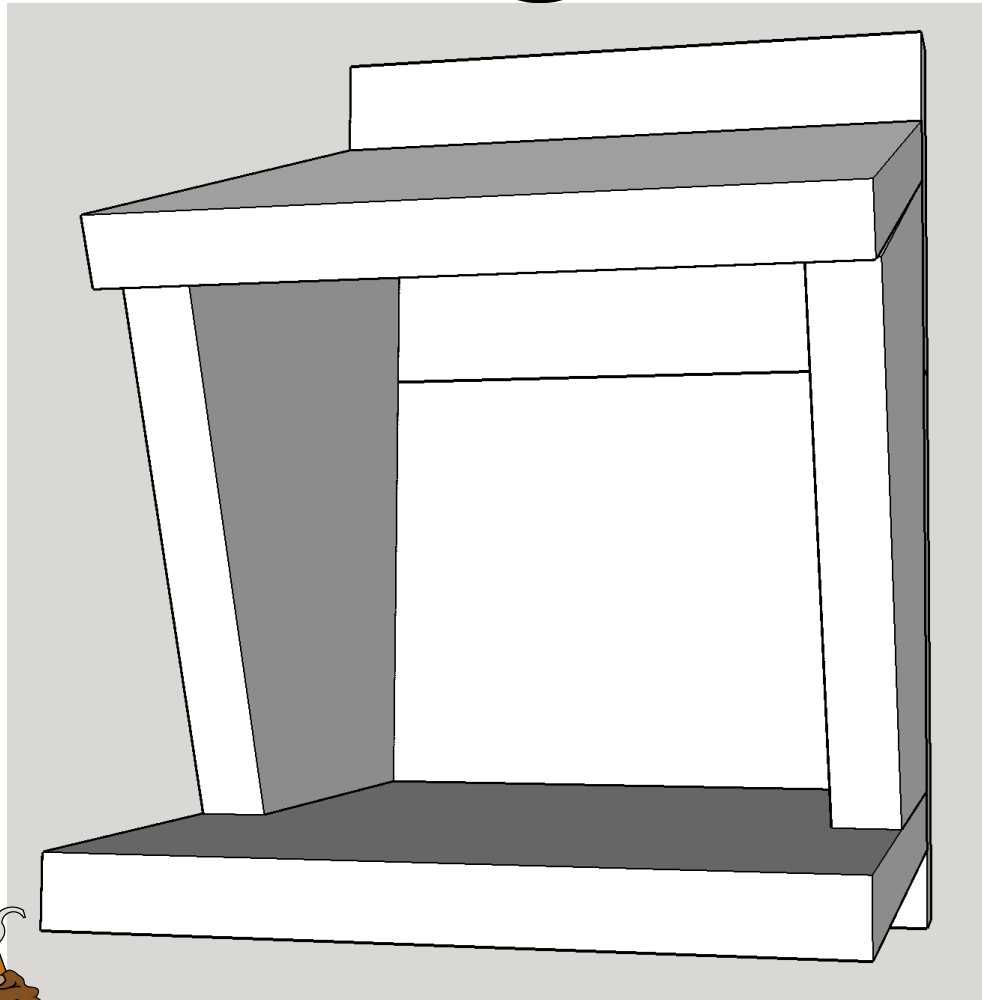


Nesting Shelf



Nesting Shelves

Nesting shelves are not your typical bird house. But a lot of birds do not like those typical houses, they prefer to have their house a bit more open. These shelves are attractive to Cardinals, Robins, Doves, Phoebes and possibly even Barn Swallows.

The best place to put these nesting shelves are further away from the house as most birds are quite skittish. Robins though, do not mind humans as much, and could use the shelves if placed closer to the house.

They should be set roughly 10-12 feet above the ground.

If you make the shelves out of cedar wood, you do not need to treat them. But if you make it out of another type of wood you may want to treat them with paint or stain or something to make them last longer in the weather.

If you find these plans helpful, please consider donating a Ko-Fi at:

<https://ko-fi.com/canadiansasquatch>

Thanks!

-- Steve the Canadian Sasquatch

Parts & Tools

Parts

1 - 1x8 Board, at least 4' long

A bunch of 1" or 1-1/4" nails, whatever you have laying around

Weather proof glue like Titebond 3 (optional but recommended)

Paint (optional)

Tools

Saw

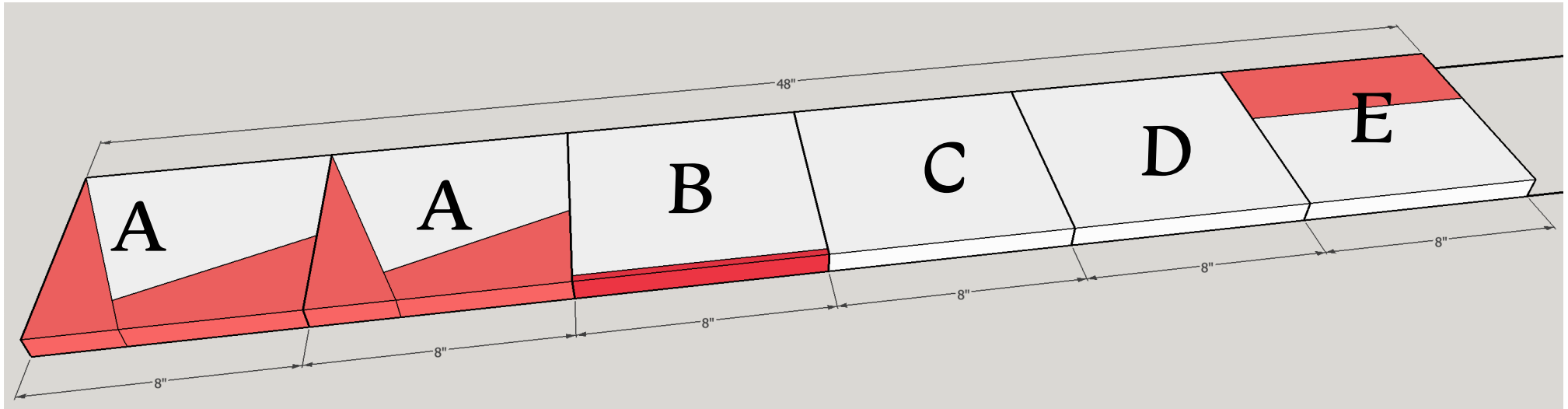
Hammer

Measuring device like tape measure

Straight edge

Pencil

Cut List



A - Sides (2) - $7 \frac{1}{4} \times 8$ "

B - Roof - $7 \frac{1}{4} \times 8$ "

C - Floor - $7 \frac{1}{4} \times 8$ "

D - Back #1 - $7 \frac{1}{4} \times 8$ "

E - Back #2 - $7 \frac{1}{4} \times 8$ "

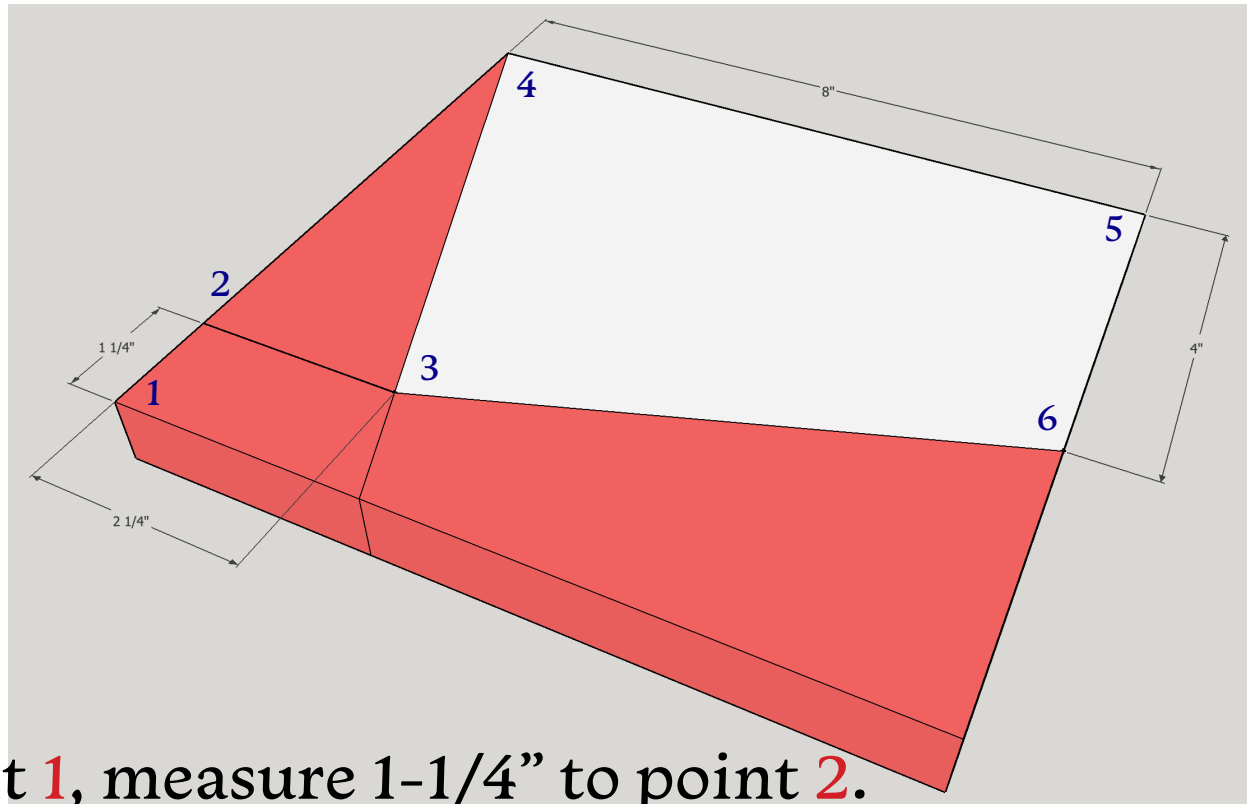
Based on the cut list on the previous page, measure out the first piece, and draw a line across. Then cut along this line.

Follow through this process until all of the pieces have been cut to length. Do not worry about The Odd Shaped pieces, as we will explain how to cut those shapes in the following pages. Just cut them to size now.

Be sure to measure and cut each piece one at a time. If you measure out all of the pieces, then cut them, by the time you get to the last piece you will be short on length, due to the width of the saw blade not being incorporated in those measurements.

The Odd Shapes

Sides - 2 pieces



From point **1**, measure 1-1/4" to point **2**.

From point **2**, measure 2-1/4" to point **3**.

From point **5**, measure 4" to point **6**.

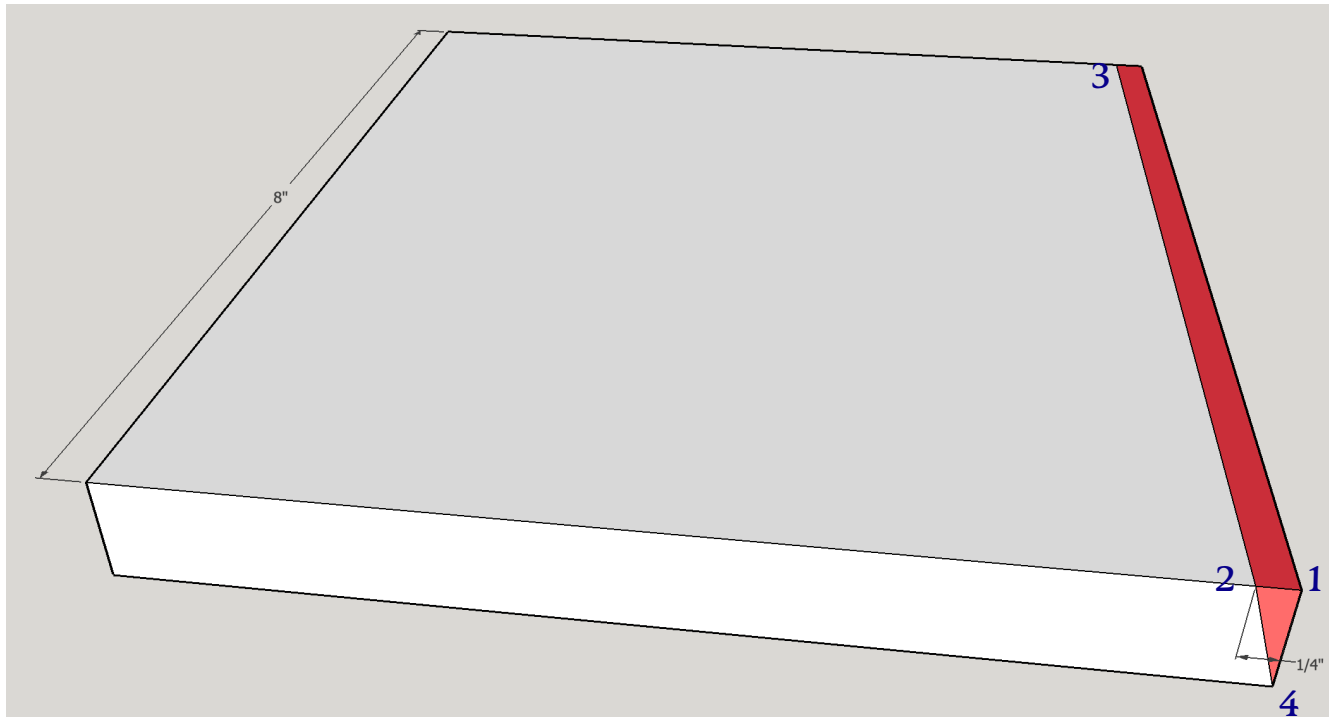
From point **4**, draw line to point **3**.

From point **6**, draw a line to point **3**.

Cut along these drawn lines. Red parts are not used.

The Odd Shapes

Roof



From point **1**, measure $1/4$ " down to point **2**.

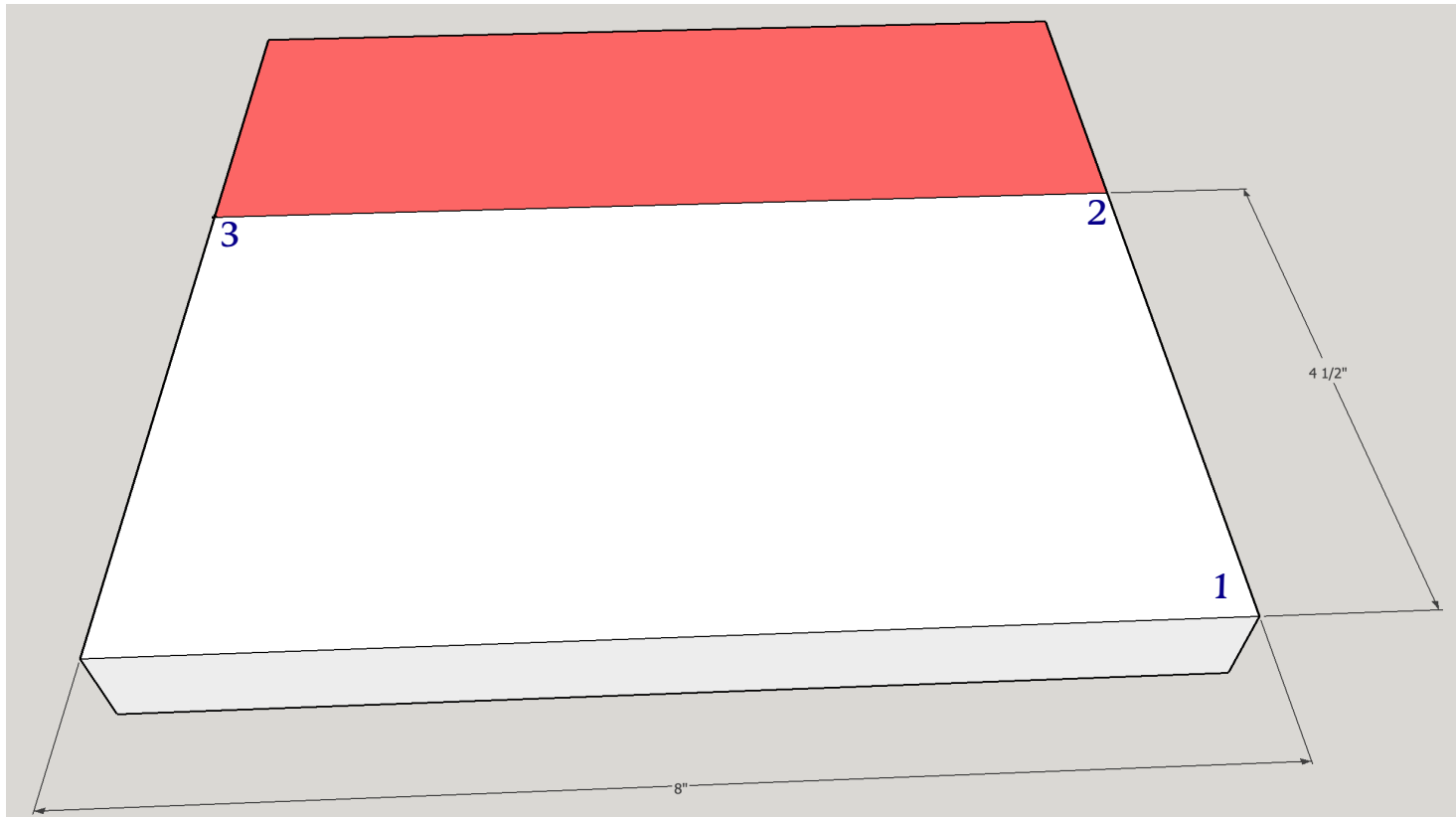
Draw a line from point **2** to point **3**.

Draw a line from point **2** to point **4**.

Cut along this angled line the length of the 8" board. Red part is not used.

The Odd Shapes

Back #2



From point **1**, measure 4-1/2" down to point **2**.

Draw a line from point **2** to point **3**.

Cut along this line. Red part is not used.

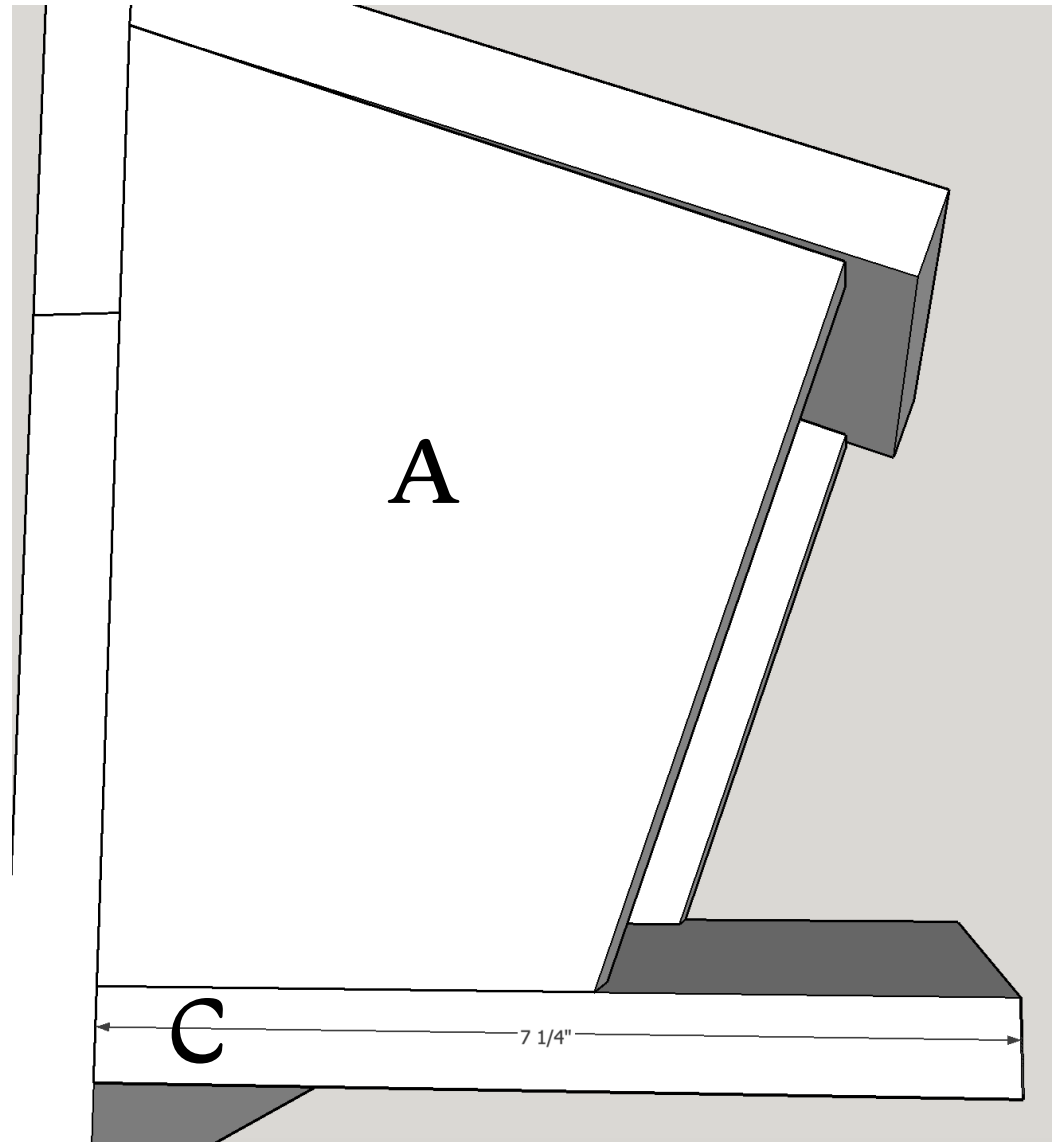
Putting it Together

Line up the Sides (Part A) with the Floor (Part C) along the 7-1/4" sides.

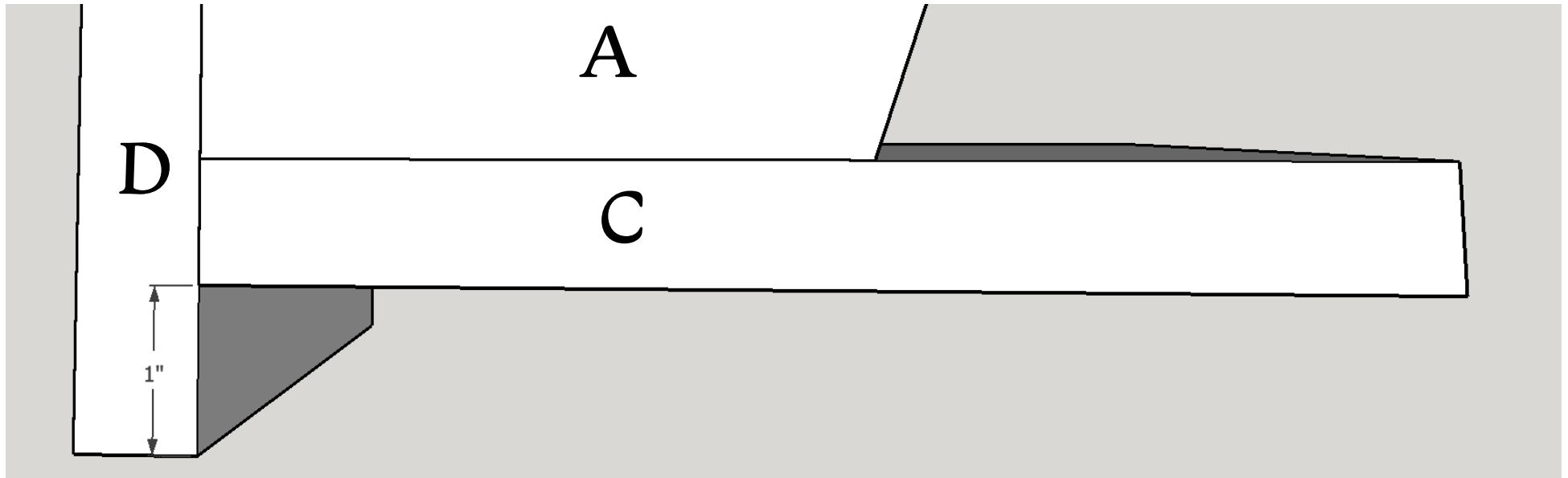
They should be flush on the back side and along the sides as shown.

Glue and nail them together.

Do this for both sides, on either side of the Floor.



Putting it Together



On Back #1 (Part D) measure from the bottom 1”.

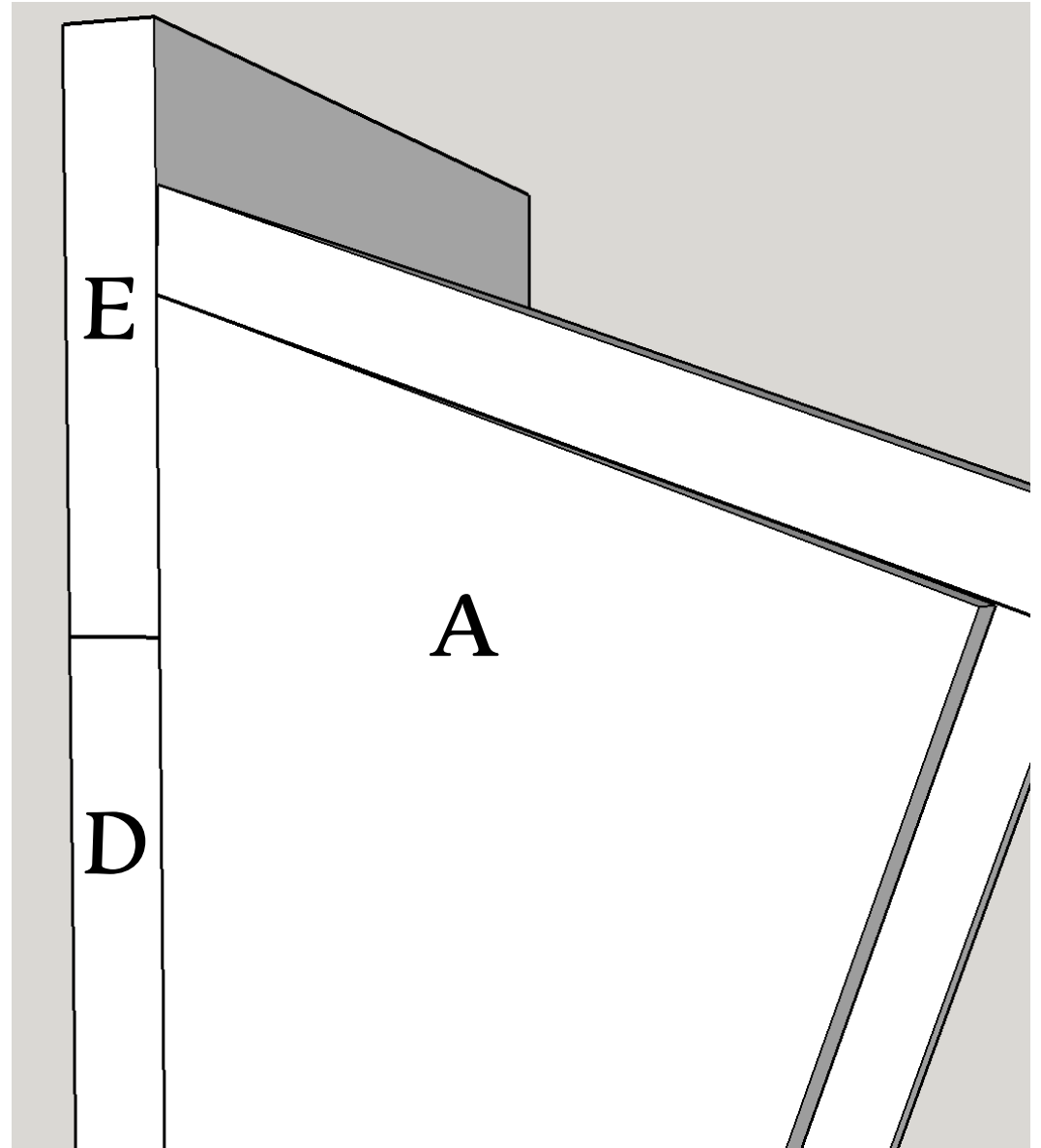
Line up the bottom side of the Floor (Part C) and Side (Part A) combo piece with the Back #1 (Part D) at this 1” mark.

Glue and nail along the Floor and Sides.

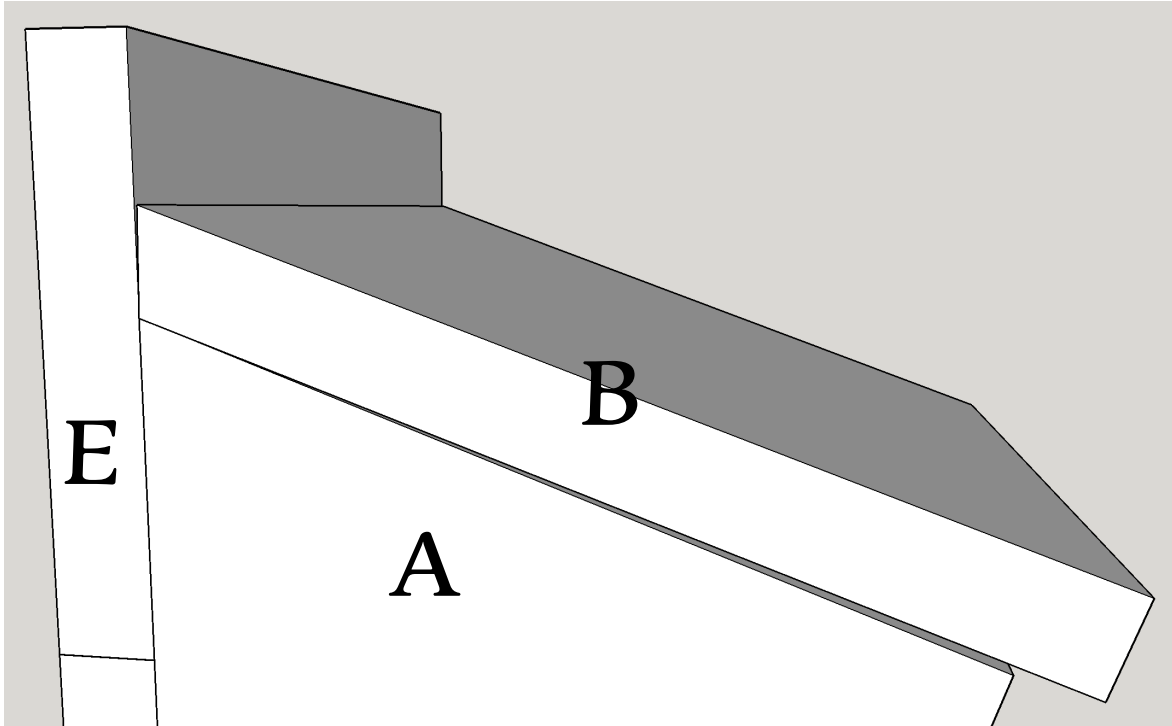
Putting it Together

Align Back #2 (Part E) with Back #1 (Part D) and Sides (Part A.)

Glue and nail Back #2 to the Sides. Also glue Back #1 and Back #2 together.



Putting it Together



Align the Roof (Part B) with the Back #2 (Part E) and Sides (Part A).

Glue and nail along the Sides and Back #2.

