

TAUNTON'S **Fine**  
**Woodworking**<sup>®</sup>

## Shelf for Drill Press

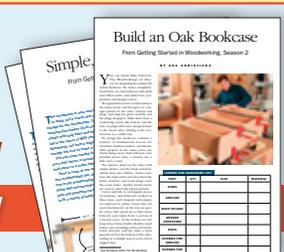
A project plan  
for building  
a shelf for  
accessories



©2009 The Taunton Press

For more **FREE**  
project plans from  
**Fine Woodworking**

▶ **CLICK HERE NOW**



Enjoy our entire site  
**FREE for 14 days!**

450+ videos, 33-year archive,  
blogs, and more

▶ **TRY IT NOW**



# Easy-access shelf for drill press accessories

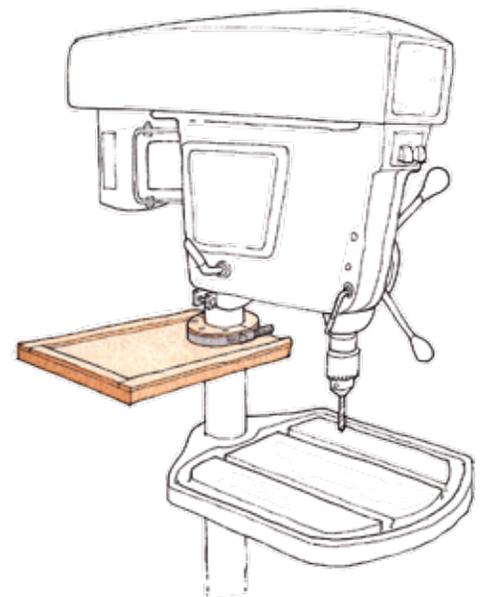
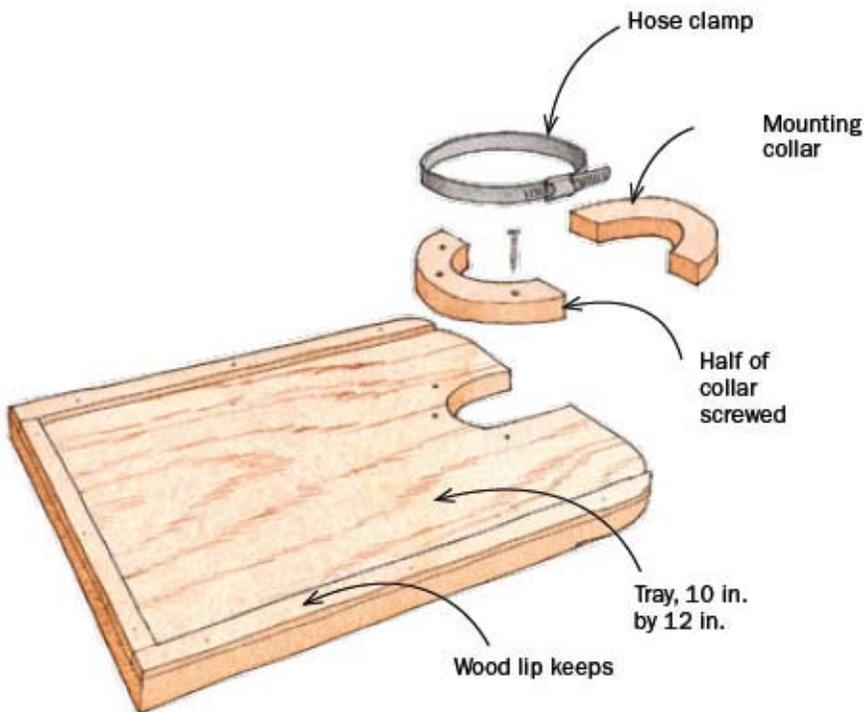
This shelf, made from  $\frac{3}{4}$ -in.-thick Baltic-birch plywood, keeps bits and other accessories for my drill press close by and prevents them from rolling off onto the floor.

After cutting the tray to size, I used a circle cutter to make a 3-in.-dia. cutout (to match the diameter of the drill-press column), centered  $1\frac{1}{2}$  in. from the end. Then I added the lip and trimmed the end to create the U-shape that slides

easily over the column.

The two-part plywood mounting collar also was made using a circle cutter. Size the inside diameter to match the drill-press column and make the outside radius  $\frac{3}{4}$  in. or 1 in. larger. One half of the collar is screwed to the tray, aligned with the inside edge of the cutout, and the other half fits around the column. The assembly is held fast with a hose clamp.

—BRUCE MELTON,  
Rolling Prairie, Ind.



Tray clamps around drill-press column.