

Kitset Wooden Bottom Board

Assembly Guide

SKU: BBOA

What you will receive:

- A kitset bottom board containing:
 - Three base planks
 - A pair of bearers/feet
 - Three risers



What you will need (not supplied):

- Hammer
- 10-12 medium/large nails (*we recommend 50x2.5 mm*)
- 12 small nails (*we recommend 30x1.6 mm*)
- Or a heavy-duty staple gun & staples

1. Lay out the three base planks side by side, your middle piece will have a rebate on both sides that the two edge boards (with one rebate each) sit into. Move boards into position, and select your 'front' and 'back' of the bottom board.

2. Lay bearers vertically on the front and back of your base planks, leaving a space of ~4 cm at the front so the planks overhang. You can do this on the back bearers too if you wish. Move bearers underneath the base planks and into the same position/spacing.



*Bearers in position on top of base planks.
'Front' of the base is at the bottom of the photo.*

3. Take your short riser and line vertically at the back of the base, do the same horizontally down the length of the base with the two longer risers, there should be a ~3cm clearance space at the front – this is the hive entrance once a brood box is placed on top. Make any final adjustments to make sure all pieces are in place.



Risers in place, with bearers underneath in position

4. Nail/staple accordingly based on the image below, starting with nailing the rear base planks into the bearers, then nailing the rear riser on top. You can alter this if preferred.

Once done, your bottom board is complete – paint the outside if desired.

- Large nails are in red – front nails will go through the base planks and into the bearers. Rear nails will go through the riser, plank and into the rear bearer.
- Small nails are in green – these will go through the risers into the base plank.

