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WORKSHOP ESSENTIALS

You've always dreamed of having a space specifically for your own woodworking projects. You might want to build something small, fix things around the house, or maybe you've turned woodworking into a business. Either way, you want to maximize your space and make it work for your needs and workflow.

WHAT'S ESSENTIAL TO MAKING YOUR COOK SHED THE ULTIMATE WORKSHOP?

1. SPACE

Next to the right kinds of tools, the most important thing you need is the right space. Cook portable buildings make a great place for your woodworking projects.

Think about the type of work you'll be doing and the size of equipment and materials you'll be working with.

Do you need more ceiling space or do you need a longer shed, so you can have several work stations?

Cook sheds are highly customizable to fit what you need.

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2. ELECTRICITY

Your power tools will need easily accessible electricity. But, remember when you're working with electricity you need to be extra careful and work with a professional electrician.

Before [adding electricity](#), plan out your workshop.

1. Where will you be using your power tools?
2. What type of power tools will you be using?
3. Where will you need your lighting to be set up?
4. Where can your breaker box be located?

By talking through these questions with your electrician, you are able to ensure the wattage and number of outlets is appropriate for your needs.



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3. WORKTABLE

This is a must have for any workshop. You may find you even need more than one, as you work on multiple or more complex projects. Since your space is limited, think about ways to build work stations that can be folded down or stored out of sight until you need them.

A pre-cut door, minus the hole for the door handle, can make a great work space. You can [attach to foldable sawhorses](#) or to [hinges on the wall](#).

If the work table is unfinished, it's [best to stain it rather than paint it](#) as this will last longer. It's important to make sure the type of worktable you put into your shed will be sturdy enough for the projects you will be working on.

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4. ORGANIZED TOOLS

There's nothing more annoying than when you can't find the tool you really need. Sometimes this is because a friend or family member forgets to put it back in its proper place, and sometimes it's not organized at the start.

So, before you start your next big project, take an afternoon to organize your tools.

1. Go through your tools. Fix what can be fixed and throw away what can't.
2. Make a list of any items you need to replace and leave a designated space for these items as you organize.
3. Think about your workflow and decide where your items would make the most sense to be located throughout your shop.
4. Label as you put your items in their designated spots. If you have a pegboard, you can even draw with a sharpie around the items to make it easy to remember where everything goes. **For more organization ideas see the next page!**



TOOL STORAGE TIPS

1. REUSE AND RECYCLE

What around the house can you reuse to help you organize your tools? Save those plastic peanut butter jars, detergent bottles or small tupperware bowls. These can be used to store your nails, screws, and other small items you want to keep track of.

[The Family Handyman](#) gives great ideas for how to store these items so they're always easily found. [Try this idea:](#) attach your peanut butter jar lids to the base of a shelf over your workbench, fill the jar with small materials and then screw the jar back into the lid. You can always see what's inside the jars and they don't take up precious shelf space.

Have a large silverware tray you're no longer using? Then put it inside a drawer for an easy way to organize screwdrivers, knives, scissors, scrapers, tape measures and more.

A close-up photograph of a hand holding a blue spray bottle. The hand is positioned over a white storage container that holds various tools, including a red-handled spray bottle and a blue-handled spray bottle. The background is a wooden surface.

TOOL STORAGE TIPS

2. MAXIMIZE UNUSED SPACE

Use the back of your door to hang a shoe organizer. This will allow you to store small tools and supplies without taking up much room.

You can also use scrap PVC Pipe from past projects to help you organize your larger tools, such as your shovels, rakes, post hole diggers etc.

We loved [this idea from the Family Handyman](#), where you use your ceilings for extra storage. They built custom drawers that swing down from the ceiling for you to find the items you may not need as often.

A pair of brown leather work boots with dark laces is positioned on the left side of the image. On the right side, a white hard hat is visible, showing its side profile and a chin strap. The background is dark and out of focus.

SAFETY TOOLS:

As much as you probably don't like using some of these tools, remember your loved ones want you to remain safe while you are working. So make sure these are easily accessible and you have extras for anyone you enlist to help on more complex projects.

- Hearing protection
- Work boots
- Safety glasses
- Heavy duty work gloves
- Reflective vest (if you need to work near a road)
- Mask
- Helmet
- Push Stick (for table saw safety)
- Fire extinguisher
- First aid kit

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