

DIY French-Inspired Farmhouse Dining Table – Printable Guide

Project Overview

Build your own French-inspired farmhouse dining table with reclaimed wood and standard tools. ([Pine and Prospect Home](#))

Materials & Tools

(List based on original blog — adjust based on what you use)

- Reclaimed wood beams (legs)
 - Reclaimed maple boards (tabletop + skirting)
 - Pocket hole screws & wood glue
 - Jigsaw, chisel, rubber mallet
 - Kreg Jig (or similar pocket hole tool)
 - Sanding/finish wax or sealant
- (Exact links removed for print)* ([Pine and Prospect Home](#))
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Step-by-Step Instructions

1) Prepare the Legs

- Cut four legs to:
28" tall × 4" wide × 3" deep.
 - Use a jigsaw to cut notches for the cross-brace and stretcher.
 - Clean out notches with a chisel.
 - Test fit with mallet, add wood glue for a snug fit. ([Pine and Prospect Home](#))
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2) Cross Brace

- Cut two cross braces:
20 ¾" long × 4" wide × 2" deep.
- Notches start about **5" from bottom of each leg.**

- Fit into leg notches. ([Pine and Prospect Home](#))
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3) Table Stretcher

- Cut stretcher board to **75" long × 4" wide × 2" deep**.
 - Notch out part of cross brace where stretcher will join.
 - Assemble stretcher between the two cross braces for support. ([Pine and Prospect Home](#))
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4) Assemble Tabletop Boards

- Two outer boards: **13" wide** each
 - Middle board: **10" wide**
 - Finished tabletop width: just over **36" (3 ft)**
 - Table length: **7 ½ ft (90")** ([Pine and Prospect Home](#))
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5) Skirting

- End skirting boards: **18" wide**
- Side skirting boards: **63 ¼" long**
- Use pocket holes to secure skirting to tabletop and legs. ([Pine and Prospect Home](#))

6) Join Components

- Use your Kreg Jig and pocket hole screws to:
 - Attach tabletop boards to each other
 - Attach skirting to tabletop edges
 - Attach legs and cross support assemblies securely ([Pine and Prospect Home](#))
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7) Sand & Finish

- Sand wood until smooth.
- Seal with **clear finishing wax** (no stain needed if wood has natural patina). ([Pine and Prospect Home](#))

Tips

- ✓ Use reclaimed wood for character. ([Pine and Prospect Home](#))
- ✓ Check pocket hole settings based on board thickness. ([Pine and Prospect Home](#))
- ✓ Test fit pieces dry before glue and screws. ([Pine and Prospect Home](#))