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Tools & Materials

Standard Bit

Standard Bits vs MatchFit Bits

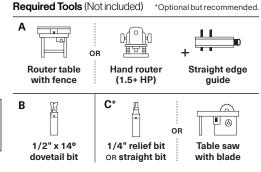
You can use any 1/2" x 14° dovetail bit. However, the top edges of the groove will need to be sanded smooth after milling.



The MatchFit Dovetail Router Bit is engineered to route perfectly smooth Dovetail Tracks to reduce cleanup.

Learn more at: microiig.com/dv-bit

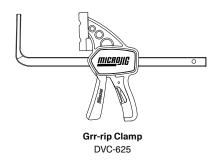
Recommended wood types (3/4" or thicker): void-free plywood (e.g. Baltic birch), standard MDF, or seasoned solid wood.



MatchFit® Grr-rip Clamp

User Manual (v8.0a)

For building custom guide rails, jigs, fixtures and more.



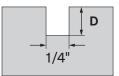
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Dovetail Track Instructions

Step 1 - Cut relief grooves*

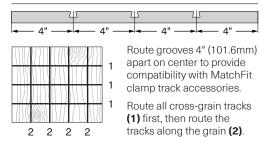
TOOLS Router [A] and 1/4" relief bit **or** table saw [C] **CUT DEPTH (D)** 11/32" (8.7mm)



*(optional but recommended)

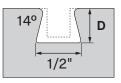
Cutting relief grooves before the dovetail grooves puts less stress on your dovetail router bit. This helps your dovetail bit last longer and ensures your tracks are straight.

Step 3 - Creating dovetail grids



Step 2 - Cut dovetail grooves

TOOLS Router [A] with 1/2" x 14° dovetail bit [B] **CUT DEPTH (D)** 3/8" (9.5mm)



Cut along the center of your relief grooves to make your Dovetail tracks. If using a regular dovetail bit make 1–2 cleanup passes to smooth the edges.

TIP: For ease of use, use a small brush to apply a thin layer of paste wax on the dovetail groove walls.

Using Grr-rip Clamps

Slide the clamp body toward the part as needed.

Squeeze the handle to close the clamp and apply pressure.

Press the release trigger to release the clamp and open the jaw.

