

Plant Press

Instructions for constructing 18" X 12" Plant Press

Materials Needed:

192"(16ft) - ½" X ¾" wood stripping (pine works well)

4 pieces @ 18" in length

10 pieces @ 12" in length

20 bolts – at least 1 and ½ inches in length

20 crown bolts

12 ft – 1" poly webbing cut in two pieces

2 webbing cinch buckles or plastic webbing clip

10 to 20 – 18"X12" pieces of stiff cardboard

Newspaper or blotter paper

Construction

- 1. Cut wood strips into pieces as listed above**
- 2. Arrange 12" inch strips evenly spaced on top of two 18" strips as shown in figure.**
- 3. Pre drill holes. At each end of 12" strips**
- 4. Fasten them to 18" strips with bolts and crown bolts to create bottom of plant press**
- 5. Repeat for top of plant press**
- 6. Place cardboard between plant top and bottom pieces**
- 7. Sew cinch buckle onto webbing.**
- 8. Use webbing to cinch together top and bottom pieces of plant press**

Pressing Plants

- 1. Place plant between two pieces of newspaper**
- 2. Try to flatten leaves and flowers**
- 3. Insert between two pieces of blotter paper or extra newspaper**
- 4. Insert between pieces of cardboard in plant press**
- 5. Tighten plant press and leave for 1 – 2 weeks in dry place.**
- 6. Remove plant.**

