

Finishing Dowels

Once I designed a project that included quite a few dowels. I really didn't give the dowels too much thought — that is until I had to stain and finish them. I soon found out that finishing dowels with a brush can be extremely time consuming and tedious. Plus, it's easy to miss spots around the sides of the dowel.

After a bit of experimenting, I came up with a quick fix that made the job go a lot quicker. I simply taped a couple of foam brushes together, as shown in the photo. The double-edge completely covers one side of the dowel in one stroke. Another stroke down the other side and I'm on to the next dowel.

