Fitting Inset Doors

Fitting inset doors to a cabinet opening has always been a hassle for me, especially if the cabinet opening isn't perfectly square. But recently, I came up with a quick and easy method of trimming doors with a router and flush-trim bit.

To begin, just mark the desired trim line near the edge of the door. Then place a long, straight board under the door along the layout line to act as a guide for the bearing of the router bit.

With the door and guide clamped down to a bench or other support, it's a simple matter to trim the door up to the layout line with a flush-trim bit, see detail below.

