

# Elevated Raised Bed 2' x 8'

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## Parts Included

(6) 8" H or (12) 4" H BOARDS  
(2) BOARDS WITH VENTS  
(4) CORNERS  
(2) PLATFORM SUPPORTS  
(4) FLAT STOCK  
(2) 2' END PANELS  
(3) CROSS SUPPORTS  
(4) CORNER CAPS  
(118) SCREWS  
FLOOR PLANKS  
FABRIC LINER

## Tools Needed

Screw gun or drill with #2 Phillips bit  
Phillips screwdriver  
Rubber mallet or hammer  
Tape measure  
Clamps (optional)



Illustrations show assembly with 8" H boards.

**Important:** When inserting BOARDS and PANELS into CORNERS, make sure they are fully seated otherwise holes will not align. Assembly is easiest with two people.

1. Identify and organize all parts on a clean, level surface. **NOTE:** The BOARDS have a rough side and a smooth side. The FLOOR PLANKS may be different widths.
2. Examine the VENTS on the BOARDS and notice how the louvers are slanted (Fig. 1). Using Fig. 2 as a reference, lay three 8" H (or six 4" H) BOARDS and one BOARD WITH VENTS on a flat surface, rough sides facing up, the VENTS facing down and the louvers on the VENTS slanted toward the base. Align the ends of the BOARDS and press them tightly together.  
**NOTE:** We recommend using a clamp or having another person hold them firmly together.
3. Slide a CORNER onto the ends of the BOARDS, positioning it so the holes in the CORNER match Fig. 2. **NOTE:** The top BOARD should sit  $\frac{1}{8}$ " above the top of the CORNER. Make sure the BOARDS are tight and fully seated in the CORNER, then use your screw gun to insert SCREWS through the holes, skipping the 4th hole from the top. Repeat to attach another CORNER to the other side.
4. Examine a PLATFORM SUPPORT to find the side with 4 holes. Using the assembled END PANEL as a reference, line up the holes in the ends of the SUPPORT with the open holes in the CORNERS (Fig.2 & 3). Insert a SCREW into both sets of holes.
5. Again using Fig.2 and the assembled END PANEL as references, place the FLAT STOCK underneath the PLATFORM SUPPORT. Line up with the 4th from the top holes in the FLAT STOCK with the holes in the PLATFORM SUPPORT and make sure they are straight. Secure the FLAT STOCK into place by inserting SCREWS through all of the holes.
6. Repeat Steps 2–5 to assemble the opposite 8' panel.

Figure 1

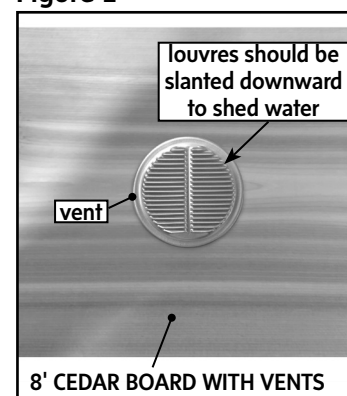
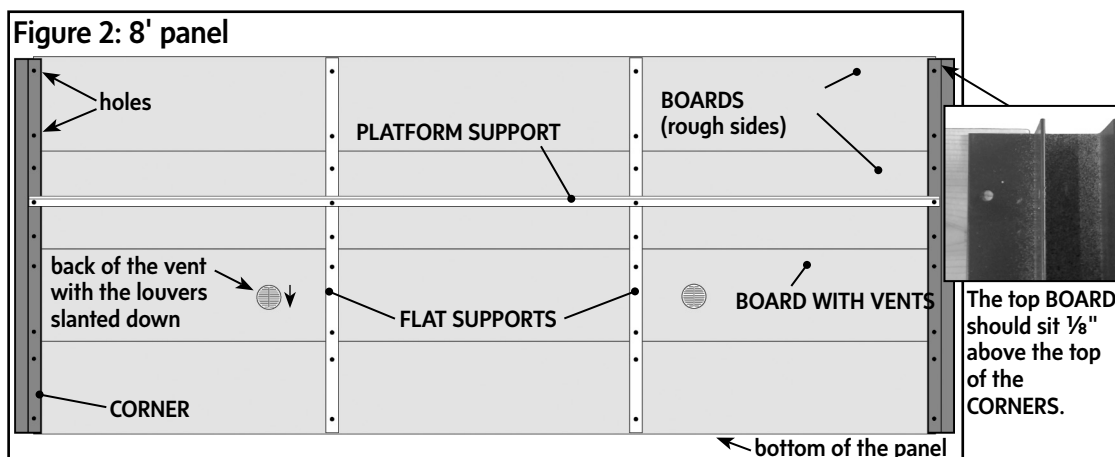


Figure 2: 8' panel



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7. Use a rubber mallet to tap a 2' END PANEL into the open channel of a CORNER, positioning it so the attached CROSS SUPPORT sits underneath the PLATFORM SUPPORT on the 8' Side Panel (Fig. 3). Make sure the top of the END PANEL sits  $\frac{1}{8}$ " above the top of the CORNER and is fully seated inside, then insert SCREWS into the holes in the CORNER and through the lined up holes in the ends of the CROSS SUPPORT and PLATFORM SUPPORT. Repeat to attach the remaining 2' END PANEL to the same 8' panel.

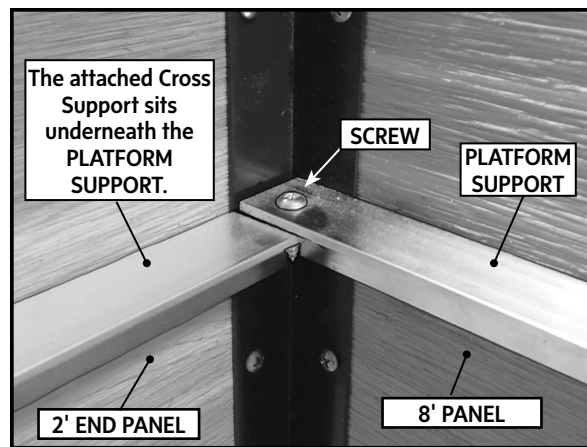


Figure 3

8. Place the remaining 8' panel on a flat surface. Carefully lift the other attached panels and guide the ends of the 2' END PANELS into the open channels of the CORNERS on the opposite 8' panel to form a box. Insert SCREWS through the holes in both CORNERS. Once all panels are attached, turn the raised bed upright.

9. Connect the 3 CROSS SUPPORTS to the PLATFORM SUPPORTS by lining up the holes on the ends of the CROSS SUPPORTS with the holes along the length of the PLATFORM SUPPORTS (Fig. 4). Insert SCREWS through the holes from the top.

10. Set the FLOOR PLANKS on top of the SUPPORTS, arranging them so there are small gaps between the planks. **NOTE:** The gaps allow water to drain. Place the FABRIC LINER over the FLOOR PLANKS.

11. Insert a CORNER CAP into the top of each aluminum CORNER, using a rubber mallet if necessary. Your assembly is complete!

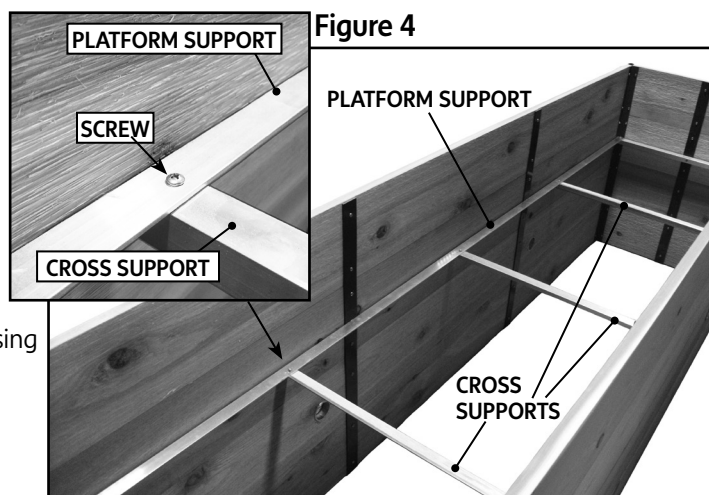


Figure 4

This elevated raised bed has a 10" planting depth and holds almost 14 cubic feet of planting mix. Fill it with a lightweight Potting Mix and if you wish, some organic matter, such as compost. We also recommend adding a slow-release fertilizer like our Organic All-Purpose Fertilizer (sold separately). **NOTE:** Avoid using a heavy garden soil or placing rocks and broken pottery into the Raised Bed.

Now you're ready to plant!

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