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Measuring & Marking

Accurate measuring and marking are the secrets of success for many projects around the home and garden. Measuring and marking out help you to work accurately, and are important in the costing of large jobs around the house and garden.

**TOOLS REQUIRED**

- Tape Measure
- Pencil
- Craft Knife
- Steel Rule
- Protractor
- Set Square
- Combination Square
- Sliding Bevel
- Spirit Level

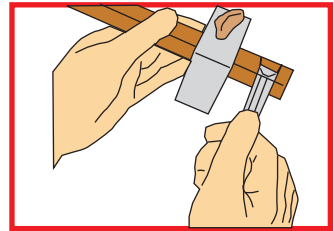
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When using the sliding bevel it is essential to ensure that the stock of the tool is held firmly against the edge throughout the marking procedure.



9 MARKING/ MORTISE GAUGE

These two gauges are often combined in one tool although they can be purchased separately. Each gauge consists of a block which slides along a bar. The marking is done with a sharp steel point for a single line, or a pair of adjustable points to mark out a mortise. The stock of the tool is held against a flat square face and the tool pushed along the work away from the user, allowing the steel point(s) to score the wood.



When adjusting the gauge to the width of the mortise you need, set the points directly from the width of your chisel.

Tighten sliding bevels well, and occasionally check that they haven't moved in use.

SAFETY FIRST!

Retractable rules can sometimes snap back quickly, so take care. When marking with a knife, keep your fingers away from the blade, and do not apply excessive pressure.

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