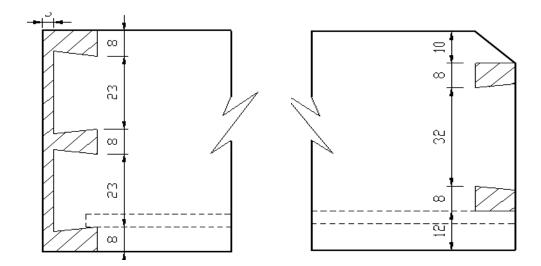
Drawer Construction

Wooden

Traditional dovetails

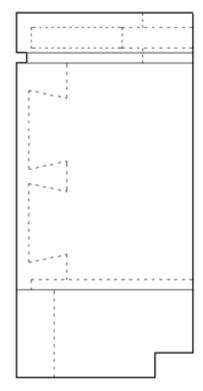
- Dovetails are one of the strongest joints because of all of the surfaces that can be glued.
- Dovetails are also very pleasing to look at.
- They can be a feature of the item of furniture.
- Dovetails slope at 1:6 or 1:8
- Front drawer dovetails I:8 back I:6
- For lap dovetails the socket is aprox ³/₄
 of the front thickness
- For appearance the tails are usually equal in width.

Drawer

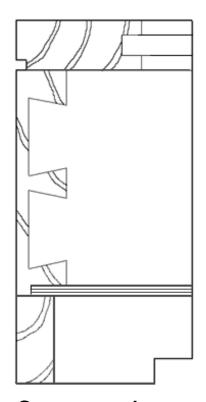


- Lapped dovetails are used on the front of drawer, no end grain showing on the front.
- Through dovetails are used on the back, end grain showing on both sides.
- This view is from the outside notice drawer bottom is dotted ie. Hidden detail
- Drawer bottom should always be grooved inside the socket so that it does not show on the outside.
- Drawer back is usually lower than sides.

Drawing Dovetails



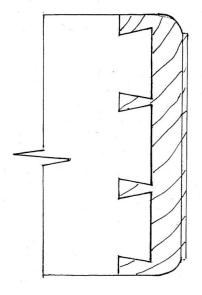
All hidden detail is dotted

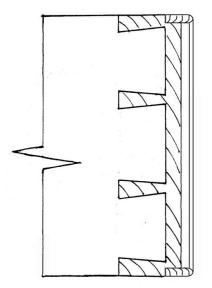


Section through Trinket Box

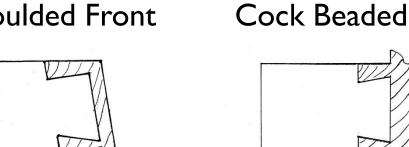
Carcase is rebated to accommodate the bottom

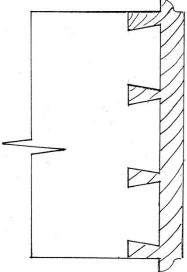
Types of Drawer Fronts





Moulded Front

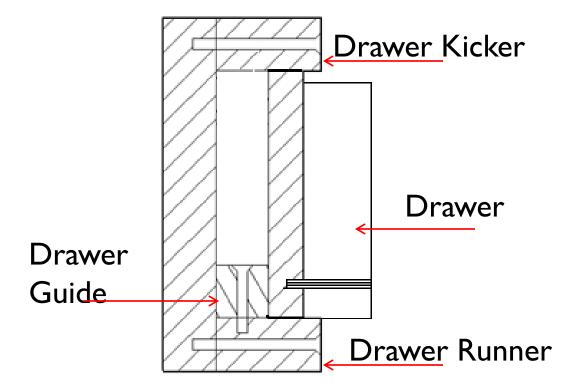




Louvered Front

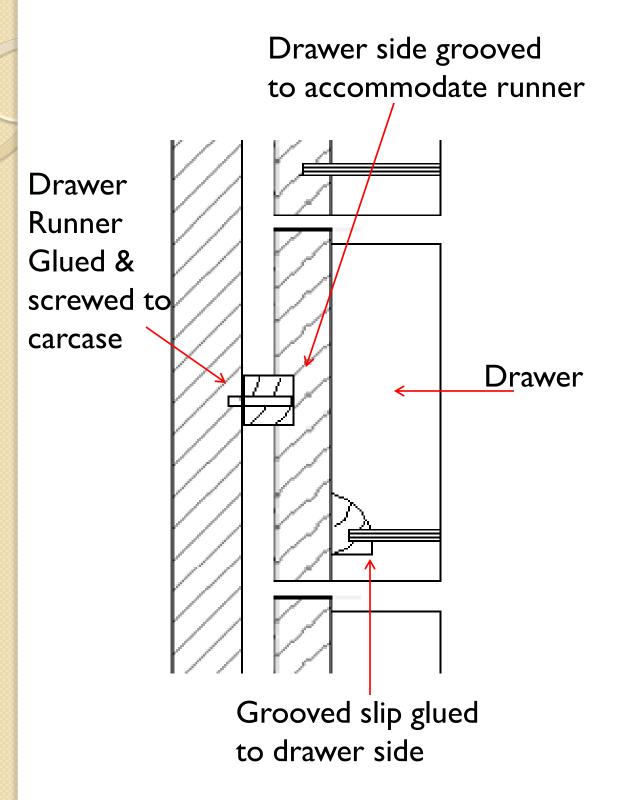
Moulded & Overlapped

Drawer Terms



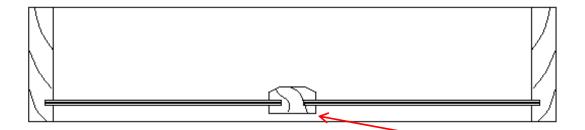
- Drawer Runner: This supports the drawer sides.
- Drawer Kicker: This prevents the drawer from tipping downwards when opened.
- Drawer Guide: This guides the drawer in straight between the frame.

Drawer Terms

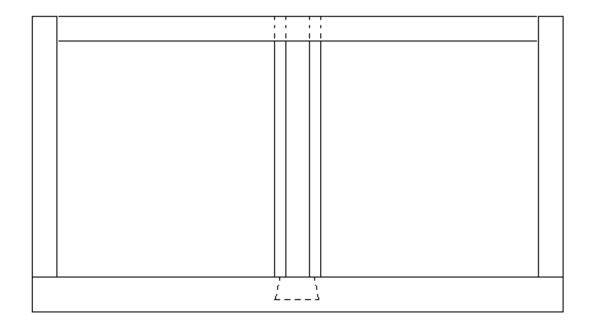


Drawer Terms

- For wider drawers a Muntin is used.
- It is grooved on both sides to take the drawer bottom.



Section through drawer showing muntin



View from top looking down on drawer