Cut two fence pickets to the dimensions below.

#1   PICKET   #2

Discard Dog Ear Section

12   12   12   12

Four 12 Inch
Vertical Ends
(rip-cut "split down the middle" so you get two pieces out of each picket)

13   13   13   13

Four 13 Inch
Bottom Slats
(rip-cut "split down the middle" so you get two pieces out of each picket)

9   9

Four 9 Inch
Short Sides

9   9

14   14

Four 14 Inch
Long Sides

14   14

HOW TO MAKE A BEER CRATE OUT OF TWO FENCE PICKETS

Holds a 12-PACK of 22oz. or 12oz. bottles

This beer crate was developed out of necessity. The cardboard boxes that beer bottles come in are great until you rip a handle or the bottom tears out while carrying your freshly brewed nectar.

My goal was to come up with a cheap method of protecting my precious brews without sacrificing on quality and appearance. Those of you in a relationship will know what I mean.
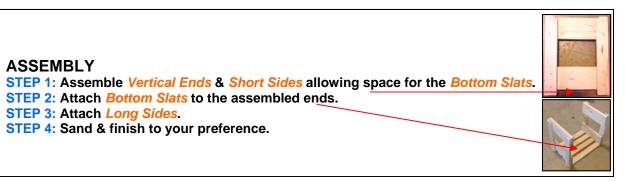
I scoured the Internet and found lots of different designs. Many of the better designs used materials that would put the cost over budget and called for special dado and miter cuts.

I finally came across a simple design that uses simple rip and cross cuts; it's also sturdy enough to withstand some abuse. After a little calculator time I came up with a crate that will hold a 12-Pack of 22oz. or 12oz. bottles all for the cost of two fence pickets.

After a little antiquing and some custom logos & labels this beer crate will not only impress the frugal, but also keep you from bounce checking your bottles on the floor.

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ASSEMBLY
STEP 1: Assemble *Vertical Ends* & *Short Sides* allowing space for the *Bottom Slats*.
STEP 2: Attach *Bottom Slats* to the assembled ends.
STEP 3: Attach *Long Sides*.
STEP 4: Sand & finish to your preference.

ANTIQUING
STEP 1: Soak half a pad of #0000 steal wool in 2 cups white vinegar for 24 hours.
STEP 2: Spray or brush all surfaces liberally with vinegar mixture.
STEP 3: Let it dry for 20 minutes then rinse any excess off with garden hose.

LOGOS & LABELS
(NOTE: This method uses regular printer paper and can take a lot of time, but is much cheaper then T-Shirt transfer paper)
STEP 1: Print the mirror image of your design with a <u>LASER</u> printer.
STEP 2: Tape your design to the beer crate in desired location.
STEP 3: Set iron to highest setting and press design onto beer crate.

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