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You can build this candle stand in just a few hours using pieces from the scrap bin and a few simple table saw techniques.



Making a candle stand is a great way to use small, prized pieces of figured or exotic wood. The one shown in the photo above is a good example. It gave me the opportunity to combine a nice piece of maple I'd been saving with some shorter cutoffs of cocobolo. Plus, small projects like this often

offer a great chance to showcase your joinery and finishing skills. It will get a lot of scrutiny because it invites close inspection, so it requires a lot of attention to detail.

Don't get me wrong, making this centerpiece doesn't involve complicated joinery or construction techniques. But it's the kind of project

where even the smallest details — like sanding the end grain of the feet until it's almost polished — are very noticeable. And you'll find that spending a little extra time sanding the finish between coats to get a perfectly smooth surface will also make a big difference. The result will be a welcome addition to any home.

