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Turn That Old Dresser Into A Decorator's Dream

(NAPSA)—Have you ever considered using a dresser as a kitchen island, or turning old columns into a living room wall unit?

All that's needed is a weekend or two and some tips from experts to blend creativity, function and style into furniture must-haves. Fortunately, the tips can be found in the latest issue of a booklet that offers simple yet unique ideas for decorating any home.

The free, 12-page booklet, "Minwax Easy Weekend Projects," combines simple techniques and colorful photography to guide doit-yourselfers through a number of unusual wood-finishing projects that put a little fun into decorating. It also features a welcome from master carpenter Norm Abram, host of the popular series "The New Yankee Workshop."

Four projects are highlighted in the current issue, all utilizing unfinished furniture, flea market and garage sale treasures and even lumberyard finds.

LITTLE SEATS, BIG STYLE takes useful stools of all shapes and sizes and makes them over into colorful, stylish and functional works of art using various stains, such as a wood finish, a waterbased stain and whitewash pickling stain for a variety of styles.

SHARP DRESSER is a unique project that not only shows how to strip and refinish an antique dresser, but also converts the dresser into a kitchen island as a variation to the project.

STYLE ON THE SIDE fits the pieces together to create an amazing dining room sideboard out of



A new booklet shows do-it-yourselfers how creativity and the right finishes can turn flea market finds into distinctive furniture.

two inexpensive, unfinished pieces of modular furniture.

TALL ORDER takes ready-made unfinished wood columns from a lumberyard and adds some shelves to transform them into a stylish wall unit. The use of water-based wood stain in custom colors in this project illustrates how personal artistic flair can be added to any living room area.

The Minwax Stain & Clear Finish Guide can be found in the middle insert of the booklet to show the wide range of stain and protective clear-finish options available.

Do-it-yourselfers can get a free copy of the 2006 issue of the "Minwax Easy Weekend Projects" booklet at home improvement stores nationwide, through minwax.com, or by writing to Easy Weekend Projects Offer, P.O. Box 1211, Grand Rapids, MN, 55745-1211.