Furnishing Your Studio
The easel is, or can be, the single greatest investment an artist can make. You can purchase a table easel, a modest tripod easel, or go all the way to a deluxe studio easel. Easels are designed in a variety of styles to accommodate many different ways artists work. Be sure you select an easel that works for you!

Construction
The design and construction of your easel are critical to your work. First there is the wood that is used. No question oak is the finest. Because oak is so hard, screws and glue remain secure. Beech on the other hand is so soft that the screws will loosen over time and cause the easel to shake and vibrate. Oak is also one of the most beautiful woods that nature has given us. Many other woods are used from time to time, but oak is, and has been, the preferred wood for easels for several hundred years.

BEST Easels are known as some of the finest in the world. Their design, materials and construction set the standard for anyone looking for fine artists’ equipment. There is no compromise in workmanship or quality. They are amazingly stable, completely functional and truly beautiful. They are everything artist equipment should be.

Styles
Basically there are only five styles of easels. The Table Easel, the Tripod Easel, the Box or French Style Easel, the Lyre (A-frame) Easel, and the Studio (H-frame) Easel. There are a number of variations to each of these that offer different tilt settings for pastelists or watercolorists, different storage options and size capabilities. Over the years we have increased our selection, and many have features that were added at the request of professional artists.

BEST designs are an industry gold standard for excellence!
BEST ABIQUIU EASELS

This is the finest piece of artist furniture ever constructed. Built for hard work, this easel was designed by a painter who understood the importance of a solid work station.

A. RUBBER CASTERS INCLUDED.

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Abiquiu Easels with a Tab Tray
A beautiful oak tool tray is available for either of the Abiquiu Easels. The tray is 50" wide, 13" deep and 4-1/4" high. The top of the tray is fitted with a melamine surface which can be used for mixing color. This unit can easily be mounted on or removed from the easel. Mounting instructions are included with the easel.

- Tab tray moves smoothly with the use of the heavy-duty pulley system
- Tray features three drawers for supply storage: two measuring 13-3/8" x 10" x 2-1/4", and one measuring 16" x 10" x 2-1/4"
- Box dimensions: 55" x 29" x 6"
- Shipped with easel – add 50 lbs.

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Abiquiu Deluxe
This easel is constructed of hand rubbed solid oak. By loosening the knobs on the back of the easel, the artist can adjust his or her painting to any tilt or angle. The hardware was designed and made especially for this easel. Up to 300 pounds can be lifted by the heavy-duty marine winch pulley system. Rubber casters make mobility possible.

- Max. canvas height: 120"
- Max. canvas width: 120"
- Base width/depth: 45" x 36"
- Bottom painting tray: 48" x 6"
- Compact easel height: 86"
- Extended easel height: 150"
- Packaged in heavy-duty carton for protection
- Middle canvas holder for smaller work
- Includes front-locking rubber casters
- Shipping weight: 184 lbs.
- Box dimensions: 91" x 54" x 9"
- Ships partially assembled by truck

Abiquiu
A professional, heavy-duty painting easel that offers the same quality features as the Abiquiu Deluxe. This single-masted version has laminated 2" x 5" oak uprights, which provide solid strength.

- Max. canvas height: 120"
- Max. canvas width: 72"
- Base width/depth: 29" x 30"
- Bottom painting tray: 32" x 6"
- Compact easel height: 86"
- Extended easel height: 150"
- Heavy duty marine winch pulley system lifts up to 300 lbs.
- Middle canvas holder for smaller work
- Includes front-locking rubber casters
- Shipping weight: 147 lbs.
- Box dimensions: 92" x 38" x 10"
- Ships partially assembled by truck

Abiquiu Melamine Tab Trays
The three drawer tab trays are custom fit to a particular Abiquiu easel. We recommend ordering the tab tray with the easel using the product numbers above. These are for those who already have an Abiquiu and wish to add on. Trays can be retrofit to easels in the field by the easel owner. Ask for details before ordering.

Dimensions: 50" wide, 13" deep and 4-1/4" high. Shipping weight: 43 lbs.

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Heavy-duty marine style winch easily raises and lowers works weighing up to 300 lbs.
BEST CLASSIC SANTA FE EASELS

The Classic Santa Fe Easels are excellent for most large work. An artist can work sitting or standing, with a variety of easily adjusted settings and angles. Each features a double laminated quad base, side frames and sturdy H-frame construction. An adjustable extension on the main frame allows added solidity for larger canvases.
A. **Classic Santa Fe I**
This single masted easel comes with two canvas holders and a painting tray. The middle canvas holder can be used for smaller works and the self-leveling bottom tray/palette measures 30" wide by 7-1/2" and features a melamine paint mixing surface with 2 large stainless steel canisters.
- Max. canvas height: 96"
- Base width/depth: 24" x 30"
- Compact easel height: 78"
- Extended easel height: 120"
- Base is drilled for optional casters
- Shipping weight: 75 lbs.
- Box dimensions: 77" x 30" x 10"
- Ships partially assembled by truck

**NUMBER 880300**

B. **Classic Santa Fe II** (opposite page)
This easel offers the same quality features as the Classic Santa Fe I with a few extras. Its marine style winch raises and lowers easily allowing works weighing up to 300 lbs. The double-masted H-frame offers extra stability and will hold larger canvases than the Santa Fe I & III. Plastic front locking casters offer mobility.
- Max. canvas height: 106"
- Base width/depth: 24" x 30"
- Compact easel height: 78"
- Extended easel height: 129"
- Includes plastic casters
- Shipping weight: 98 lbs.
- Box dimensions: 77" x 30" x 10"
- Ships partially assembled by truck

**NUMBER 880350**

C. **Classic Santa Fe III**
An artist asked for the Santa Fe I with the pulley system of the Santa Fe II. Specifications can be found listed under the Santa Fe I.
- Shipping weight: 86 lbs.; ships partially assembled by truck

**NUMBER 880202**

**OPTIONAL CASTERS SOLD SEPARATELY.**
A. Kelley Crank Dark Easel
Although designed for the portrait painter, it is a valuable tool for any painter. This easel will slant forward or backward. Its height is adjustable by the simple turn of a crank that is secured to a pulley system.
- Maximum canvas height: 84”
- Base width/depth: 29” x 30”
- Compact easel height: 70”
- Extended easel height: 104”
- Middle canvas holder for small work
- Includes front-locking plastic casters
- Shipping weight: 101 lbs.
- Box dimensions: 78” x 40” x 10”
- Ships partially assembled by truck

NUMBER 882471

B. The Crank Easel
The oak construction and heavy-duty crank system will allow even your largest canvases to glide up and down with quiet ease. Note: The mast will lift as the lower canvas tray is lifted, so consider ceiling height.
- Maximum canvas height: 66”
- Base width/depth: 29-3/4” x 30”
- Compact easel height: 92”
- Extended easel height: 127”
- Middle canvas holder for small work
- Includes front-locking plastic casters
- Shipping weight: 96 lbs.
- Box dimensions: 92” x 53” x 10”
- Ships partially assembled by truck

NUMBER 880151
B. **Full-Tilt Manhattan**

Designed by a portrait painter, the Manhattan’s top carriage is designed to tilt forward and backward, and slide up and down. It features a double fold-out painting tray with a melamine paint-mixing surface and two large stainless steel canisters for solvents. Closed, the tray is 30” wide, open it is 60” wide.

- Max. canvas height: 88” with tray; 102” with tray removed
- Base width/depth: 27” x 30”
- Compact easel height: 75”
- Extended easel height: 118”
- Adjustable sliding mast moves independently of the tray
- Middle canvas holder for small work
- Includes front-locking rubber casters
- Shipping weight: 93 lbs.
- Box dimensions: 92” x 29” x 10”
- Ships partially assembled by truck

**NUMBER 887120**

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B. **Rubber Casters**

Heavy-duty rubber casters make moving and locking into place effortless. May be ordered separately for easels with a quad base. Each package contains 4 casters – 2 locking, 2 non-locking.

**NUMBER 880003** (Pack of 4)

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**Plastic Casters**

**NUMBER 880004**

(Pack of 4 – 2 locking, 2 non-locking)

**NUMBER 880009**

(Locking, sold individually)

**NUMBER 880008**

(Non-locking, sold individually)
A. **Classic Dulce**
This is a standard American studio easel designed to provide the artist with the most stable unit at a low price. Its sturdy H-frame construction and laminated quad base offer superior strength and stability. It adjusts easily to a variety of custom settings for working seated or standing.

- Maximum canvas height: 82”
- Base width/depth: 22” x 24”
- Compact easel height: 54”
- Extended easel height: 90”
- Folds flat for easy storage
- Adjustable sliding mast moves independent of canvas tray
- Wide bottom canvas holder with utility tray
- Base is pre-drilled for optional casters
- Shipping weight: 37 lbs.
- Box dimensions: 55” x 29” x 6” oversized
- Ships partially assembled by UPS

**NUMBER 880200**

B. **Giant Dulce**
Artists demanded a studio easel just like the BEST Classic Dulce, that could handle a wider canvas without doubling the cost. This easel is constructed with a wider H-frame that allows it to accommodate wider paintings.

- Maximum canvas height: 82”
- Base width/depth: 25-3/4” x 30”
- Compact easel height: 69”
- Extended easel height: 105”
- Folds flat for easy storage
- Adjustable sliding mast moves independent of canvas tray
- 30” wide bottom canvas holder with utility tray
- Base is pre-drilled for optional casters
- Shipping weight: 54 lbs.
- Box dimensions: 78” x 30” x 10”
- Ships partially assembled by truck

**NUMBER 880201**

C. **San Pedro**
The easel for small, medium and large works in oil, acrylic, and pastel. Versatile and strong, the San Pedro offers a multitude of height and tilt settings.

- Maximum canvas height: 82”
- Base width/depth: 35” x 27”
- Compact easel height: 63”
- Extended easel height: 102”
- Adjustable sliding mast moves independent of canvas tray
- Wide painting tray features 30” x 4-1/4” work surface & rubber cleats to secure canvas
- Tilts forward for pastel artists (use weights on back legs when used in this position)
- Bottom shelf for storage
- Cannot accommodate casters
- Shipping weight: 72 lbs.
- Box dimensions: 68” x 39” x 9”
- Ships partially assembled by truck

**NUMBER 886004**

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**So versatile you can work seated or standing!**

**Offers a multitude of height and tilt settings!**
This series was the start of BEST Artist’s Products. These great easels revolutionized artist easels when they hit the market. Copied by almost every easel manufacturer in the market, no one has yet mastered the quality and perfection of BEST. Note: these easels cannot accommodate casters.

**A-Best & B-Best**

These are moderately priced easels for the oil and acrylic painter. The sturdy tri-mast A-frame design is lightweight, portable, durable and folds flat for easy storage. Both feature non-skid rubber feet for stability.

**A. A-Best**
- Can hold canvases up to 64" high
- Base width/depth: 28” x 28”
- Extended easel height: 81”
- Shipping weight: 26 lbs. - OS
- Box dimensions: 74” x 7” x 7”
- Ships by UPS, assembly required

**NUMBER 882100**

**B. B-Best**
- Can hold canvases up to 52” high
- Base width/depth: 28” x 28”
- Extended easel height: 68”
- Shipping weight: 25 lbs. - OS
- Box dimensions: 75” x 7” x 7”
- Ships by UPS, assembly required

**NUMBER 882200**

**C. Lite B-Best**
- Maximum canvas height: 60”
- Base width/depth: 26” x 26”
- Extended height: 80”
- Sturdy A-frame design
- Folds flat for easy storage
- Shipping weight: 20 lbs.
- Box dimensions: 55” x 29” x 6” - OS
- Ships assembled by UPS

**NUMBER 882225**

**D. B-Best Adjustable**
- Maximum Canvas Height: 75”
- Base: width/depth 22” x 24”
- Extended Height: 96”
- Compact Height: 65”
- Sturdy A-Frame design
- Wider Adjustable Mast
- Box dimensions: 62” x 29” x 7” - OS
- Shipping weight: 29 lbs.
- Ships assembled by UPS

**NUMBER 882210**
A. University Easel
This easel offers a wide range of tilt adjustments including a forward tilt of nearly 60 degrees to allow pastel dust to fall from the surface or to reduce glare. The easel was designed to shift the weight to the rear when the easel is leaning forward giving the easel the necessary stability required for this position.

- Maximum canvas height: 84"
- Base width/depth: 22-1/2" x 30"
- Minimum easel height: 73"
- Maximum easel height: is 110"
- Deluxe 30" wide painting tray features tool shelf and two stainless steel cups
- Middle painting tray for small work
- Hinges at joints for strength
- Double laminated base for extra strength
- Base is pre-drilled for optional casters
- Shipping weight: 65 lbs.
- Box dimensions: 77" x 30" x 10"
- Ships partially assembled by truck

NUMBER 880400

B. Wallmount Easel
BEST’s Wallmount is the ideal solution for the artist with limited studio space. BEST understands that many professional artists must achieve a balance between space concerns and workability. The Wallmount achieves both goals, a heavy-duty easel that accommodates a large canvas with zero use of studio floor space. A sturdy oak easel that was designed to be mounted on the wall. The easel can be used in a vertical position or tilted forward. Perfect for the studio with limited floor space.

- Maximum canvas height: 88"
- Width/depth: 32" x 14" (without tilt)
- Compact easel height: 59"
- Extended easel height: 102"
- Forward tilt (up to 80° angle) for glare reduction or for pastel artists
- Smooth, easy height adjustability
- Shipping weight: Box 1: 42 lbs.; Box 2: 19 lbs.
- Box dimensions: Box 1: 55" x 29" x 8" ; Box 2: 35" x 12" x 10"
- Ships partially assembled by UPS

NUMBER 887100
The Most Copied Easel in the World!

We even copied our own design to compete with the pirates of the world. See page 142 for our Richeson Lyptus® Wood version of the popular Deluxe Lobo.

**Deluxe Lobo**

Built of solid oak, this quad base easel is perfect for the mixed media painter. It is inexpensive, compact but sturdy, reliable and very flexible. Can be used vertically for sketching or painting, and in just seconds can be adjusted to a horizontal position for watercolor, gessoing or varnishing. Plus, the Deluxe Lobo features a built in shelf for supplies or books.

- Maximum canvas height: 62"
- Base width/depth: 24” x 27”
- Compact easel height: 65”
- Extended easel height: 92”
- Table height: 36”
- Adjusts quickly to a variety of settings for sitting or standing
- Forward tilt for glare reduction or for the pastel artist
- Shipping weight: 35 lbs.
- Box dimensions: 55” x 29” x 6”
- Ships partially assembled by UPS

**NUMBER 883200**
Special features on each of these BEST easels make them a unique and special find! From working horizontally as a watercolor artist to needing a forward tilt as a pastel artist, these easels offer the quality construction you find only in a BEST easel by Jack Richeson & Company! Note: Easels on this page do not accommodate casters.

A. **Manzano**
The Manzano features a unique frame design which slides down and locks for seated work; tilts horizontally for watercolor or varnishing; or raises vertically and locks into a higher position for standing work.
- Maximum canvas height: 50”
- Base width/depth: 26” x 22”
- Compact easel height: 42”
- Horizontal easel height: 35”
- Adjustable 20” wide painting tray
- Rubber grips on trays to keep canvas secure
- Strong quad base
- Rubber no-slip tips on base for stability
- Box dimensions: 55” x 29” x 6”
- Ships partially assembled by UPS

**NUMBER 883350**

B. **Halley**
Beautiful and strong, the Halley will tilt into a table for gessoing, varnishing or watercolor work. It will tilt forward for pastel artists to allow the pastel dust to fall from the work surface. The Halley also has a multitude of settings for use with oil, acrylic, or airbrush.
- Maximum canvas height: 80” vertical; 82” horizontal
- Base width/depth: 23” x 27”
- Compact easel height: 54”
- Maximum easel height: 84”
- Height when used as a table: 36”
- Self leveling tray features a melamine paint mixing surface with a small stainless steel cup for solvent.
- Painting trays have rubber grips to keep canvas secure
- Shipping weight: 52 lbs.
- Box dimensions: 55” x 29” x 8”
- Ships partially assembled by UPS

**NUMBER 880600**
A. **European Easel**

Quickly adjustable, the European easel accommodates a wide range of media, from watercolor, acrylic, oil, airbrushing and pastels, offering a versatility that enables it to adjust to your changing needs.

- Maximum canvas height: 84"
- Base width/depth: 22" x 30"
- Compact easel height: 80"
- Extended easel height: 120"
- Horizontal easel height: 29-1/2"
- 30" wide painting tray with 2 stainless steel cups
- A 20-1/2" x 5" well for supplies
- Middle painting tray for small work
- Hinges at joints for strength
- Base drilled for optional casters
- Shipping weight: 76 lbs.
- Box dimensions: 77" x 30" x 10"
- Ships partially assembled by truck

**NUMBER 880525**

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B. **Portable Collapsible Easel**

This all-purpose easel is ideal for the oil, watercolor, pastel, airbrush or acrylic artist. Whether sitting or standing, a full range of angles (from vertical to horizontal) is possible. The front wheels offer mobility.

- Maximum canvas height: 72"
- Base width/depth: 17" x 17"
- Compact easel height: 50"
- Extended easel height: 90"
- Folds flat for storage
- Painting trays have rubber grips to keep canvas secure
- Table height: 37-3/4"
- Bottom shelf for storage
- Shipping weight: 35 lbs.
- Box dimensions: 55" x 29" x 6"
- Ships partially assembled by UPS

**NUMBER 887110**
Beautiful, lightweight, and easy-to-manage, the Rio Grande and Navajo are great USA made BEST Easels for the painter with limited space, the dorm room painter or the beginning artist. Made in the BEST tradition of quality with great attention to detail and workmanship, these easels carry the BEST Limited Lifetime Warranty. (For details, see page 110.)

A. Rio Grande
A great starter easel. This multi-functional easel has a strong quad base and was designed for easy adjusting. It will extend upwards to handle a 48" canvas, yet compact down to only 45".
- Base width/depth: 25" x 23"
- Extended easel height: 72" high
- Adjusts quickly to a variety of settings for sitting or standing
- Includes a middle canvas tray for small work
- All canvas holders have rubber grips to keep canvas secure
- Shipping weight: 27 lbs.
- Box dimensions: 56" x 29" x 8"
- Ships assembled by UPS

NUMBER 883325

B. Navajo
A great starter easel. Inexpensive, compact but sturdy and reliable. Perfect for the college dorm. Folds flat for easy storage.
- Will hold canvases up to 38" high
- Base width/depth: 26" x 26"
- Maximum height: 60"
- Adjusts quickly to a variety of settings for sitting or standing
- Top & bottom canvas holders have rubber grips to keep canvas secure
- Shipping weight: 11 lbs.
- Box dimensions: 46" x 27" x 4"
- Ships by UPS, some assembly required

NUMBER 885300
Strength and beauty in three sizes. The Chimayo’s have an elegant single mast design that is supported by a double laminated quad base on the Chimayo, and by a T-frame construction on the Medium and Student Chimayo. Simple adjustments allow the artist to custom set the easel for each canvas.

**A. Chimayo**
- Maximum canvas height: 72"
- Canvas holders have rubber grips to keep canvas secure
- Base width/depth: 26" x 30"
- Compact easel height: 85"
- Extended easel height: 87"
- Bottom canvas holder includes utility shelf
- Folds flat for easy storage
- Front locking casters are optional
- Base is pre-drilled for optional casters
- Shipping weight: 35 lbs.
- Box dimensions: 87" x 7" x 7"
- Ships by UPS, assembly required

**B. Medium Collapsible Chimayo**
- Maximum canvas height: 66"
- Rubber grips on canvas holders
- Base width/depth: 26" x 26"
- Compact easel height: 52"
- Extended easel height: 82"
- Folds flat for easy storage
- Bottom canvas holder includes utility shelf
- Shipping weight: 28 lbs.
- Box dimensions: 55" x 29" x 5"
- Ships partially assembled by UPS

**C. Student Chimayo**
- Maximum canvas height: 64"
- Base width/depth: 26" x 24"
- Compact easel height: 51"
- Extended easel height: 82"
- Folds flat for easy storage
- Rubber grips on canvas holders
- Ideal display easel
- Shipping weight: 21 lbs.
- Box dimensions: 55" x 29" x 6"
- Ships partially assembled by UPS

**NUMBER 882350**

Choose from 3 styles to fit a variety of needs!
BEST natural EASELS

A. **The Loco**
   Built of solid oak, this quad base easel is compact, sturdy and very flexible. Can be used vertically or horizontally.
   - Maximum canvas height: 38”
   - Base width/depth: 24” x 30”
   - Extended easel height: 65”
   - Table height: 33”
   - Adjusts to a variety of settings for sitting or standing
   - Forward tilt for glare reduction or for the pastel artist
   - Shipping weight: 19 lbs.
   - Box dimensions: 72” x 26” x 5”
   - Ships fully assembled by UPS

B. **The Frontier H-Frame**
   With a sturdy H-frame construction and quad base for strength and stability, this easel adjusts easily to a variety of settings for working seated or standing.
   - Maximum canvas height: 46”
   - Base width/depth: 22” x 24”
   - Easel height: 67”
   - Folds flat for easy storage
   - Shipping weight: 23 lbs.
   - Box dimensions: 72” x 26” x 5”
   - Ships fully assembled by UPS

C. **The Panhandle**
   - Maximum canvas height: 63”
   - Base width/depth: 22” x 24”
   - Easel height: 72”
   - Folds flat for easy storage and transport
   - Rubber grips on canvas holders
   - Ideal display easel
   - Shipping weight: 10 lbs.
   - Box dimensions: 75” x 5” x 5”
   - Ships mostly assembled by UPS

D. **The Autry A-Frame**
   The sturdy tri-mast A-frame design is lightweight, portable, durable and folds flat for easy storage.
   - Maximum canvas height: 54”
   - Base width/depth: 25” x 24”
   - Extended easel height: 71”
   - Shipping weight: 15 lbs.
   - Box dimensions: 72” x 26” x 5”
   - Ships fully assembled by UPS

Over the years, we have been asked if BEST could produce a “skinnied-down” version of some of our most popular BEST Traditional Oak Easels.

**We proudly introduce our USA Made BEST Natural Easels.**
- Unstained American Oak
- Lighter weight than their traditional BEST counterparts
- Limited Lifetime Warranty

Compete against imported easels with these easels Made in the USA!
This studio organizer has a never-ending list of what they can be used for: pastels, brushes and paints just to name a few. They work great in the classroom for storing student projects on the shelves. They are beautiful and practical! The artist organizers are a convenient way to store a variety of artist tools.

Each removable shelf allows for simple transport of supplies to your work area.

Simply take the shelf out and go!

**Large Artist Organizer**
- Display dimensions: 18"(w) x 35-1/8"(d) x 65-1/2"(h)
- Flat dimensions: 18"(w) x 5-1/4"(d) x 67-1/2"(h)
- Shelf dimensions:
  - 5 small shelves - 17" x 9-3/4" 2 large shelves - 17" x 12-3/4"
- Shipping weight: 28 lbs.
- Box dimensions: 71" x 14" x 3"
- Ships partially assembled by UPS

**NUMBER 887136**
The B.F.E.
Boundary Free Easel System by BEST

Build the configuration that works for you!

Finally!
An easel that can accommodate pieces virtually any width or height.

If you are working in a room high enough or wide enough, the BFE components can be built to hold your painting!

Also perfect for:
– Galleries
– Schools
– Display

Pushing your creativity beyond the boundaries!
BEST BOUNDARY-FREE EASEL

Perfect for school and workshop use or for artists who prefer to work on more than one piece at a time!

A. Wall Mast (3 ft. #887303, 5 ft. #887305, 7 ft. #887307) (holders and trays not included)
B. Convertible Easel with 4 Trays (Item #887326)
C. 30” Large Bottom Canvas Tray (Item #887320)
D. 24” Large Top Canvas Holder (Item #887322) or Small Bottom Canvas Tray (Item #887321)
E. 8” Small Top Canvas Holder (Item #887323)
F. Copper Posts 4 pack (Item #887324)
G. Canvas Hanger 8 pack (Item #887325)

Call for complete kits and custom studio set-ups. 920.738.0744
BEST TABORETS

BEST taboret designs give the artist a premium piece of equipment. Made of solid oak and oak panel (no particle board is used), the units are finished on all four sides so that they can be used either in the center of the room or against the wall. Open the wings or drawers and discover an extra large work space that is designed to work well with different mediums. Take a good look at your working style and pick the taboret that works best for you. Units with wings have extra support with two fold-out arms that give them that extra BEST touch.

Kate Palmer Taboret
Built from solid oak for strength and aesthetics, the Kate Palmer Taboret is mounted on front-locking casters for mobility. What makes this taboret so unique is the flexibility it offers. The top work surface can slide forward so the artist can sit at it like a desk, or it can slide backward to create an extra flat work area. And the top work area can be assembled so that either side of the taboret can be the “front”. The bottom drawers are accessible from either side of the taboret, and there are two generous “cubbies” on one side for storage. The top work area features a melamine surface with a plexiglass insert for easy clean up. There are also holes for a water canister, cups and brushes.

- Base width/depth: 50” x 28”
- Working height: 35”
- Central melamine work surface: 27”(w) x 20”(d)
- Top storage area: 48-1/2”(w) x 6-1/4”(d)
- 3 top drawers inner: 45”(w) x 17-1/2”(d) x 2”(h)
- 5 bottom drawers inner dimensions:
  - 46”(w) x 26”(d) x 2-1/2”(h)
  - 2 back storage areas: 47”(w) x 7-1/2”(d) x 6-1/4”(h)
- Includes front-locking rubber casters.
- Shipping weight: 560 lbs.
- Ships by truck, minimal assembly required
- Lift gate required
- Box dimensions: 56” x 30” x 45”

NUMBER 880025
A. **Urania’s Desk**
Ideal for pastel painting. Originally designed for world-famous pastelist Urania Christy Tarbet, this desk is the answer for the pastel painter who seeks convenience and organization. What looks like an unobtrusive hutch or TV console when not in use, blooms like a lotus into a variety of pastel storage trays and much needed workspace and storage area. Designed for the pastelist, but perfect for the oil painter or watercolorist as well.

- Closed height: 32-1/2”; Depth: 23”
- Includes attached easel
- Features 26” x 18” x 1-1/2” pivoting drawers hold a variety of pastel sticks or paint tubes
- Doors open to support weight of swinging drawers
- 2 large stainless steel canisters are included with space available for an additional 2 canisters
- The easel is mounted to the back of the desk and will slide out-of-sight for storage
- Maximum canvas height: 36”
- Easel will adjust from flat to a forward tilt
- Packaged in heavy-duty carton
- Shipping weight: 140 lbs.
- Box dimensions: 25” x 40” x 34”
- Ships assembled by truck

B. **Shawn’s Watercolor Station**
Ideal for flat work

- Height: 33”; Depth: 22-1/2”; Closed width: 41-3/4”;
- Ideal for varnishing, gessoing or watercolor work
- Mounted on front locking rubber casters for mobility
- Offers 5 supply drawers of various depths for a variety of supplies
- Top surface and drawers are on smooth, full extension, metal bearing sliders for easy opening
- Open the top for additional work space and storage area. Includes 1 large stainless steel canister
- Front side doors open on brass piano hinges: right side offers 9-3/4” (w) x 25-3/4” (h) x 19” (d) storage area and left side offers two 19” deep utility shelves
- Packaged in heavy-duty carton
- Shipping weight: 200 lbs.
- Box dimensions: 44” x 32” x 24”
- Ships assembled by truck. (Casters and handles must be attached when unit arrives to prevent damage in shipping.)

**NUMBER 880017**  
**NUMBER 880018**  
**RUBBER CASTERS INCLUDED.**
A. Terrero
Treat yourself to a tool that will make you want to work, like this gorgeous taboret that offers storage space to keep you organized, work space to spread out on and the ability to become a complete work station with the addition of the Deluxe Table Top Easel, sold separately.

- Height: 32-1/4”; Width: 22-1/4”; Depth: 22”
- Offers a 4” high outer supply drawer, a 3-1/2” inner drawer, a slide-out shelf & storage space
- 1-1/8” slots for secure mounting of optional table easel
- Opened, the unit offers a 20” x 40” work space with 2 large canisters off to one side
- When the Deluxe Table Top Easel is in a horizontal position, it can be used for varnishing, gessoing or watercolor work
- Mounted on front-locking rubber casters for mobility
- Packaged in heavy duty carton for protection
- Shipping weight: 78 lbs.
- Box dimensions: 23” x 23” x 35”
- Ships assembled by truck. (Casters must be attached when unit arrives to prevent damage in shipping.)

NUMBER 886003

B. Deluxe Table Top
This heavy-duty professional table easel can be used by itself on any flat surface, or with the Terrero Taboret unit seen above. Either way, this is a sturdy piece of equipment with both form and function.

- Holds canvases up to 36”
- Base width/depth: 18” x 18”
- Extended height: 47”
- Expandable mast with movable canvas holders
- Can be used horizontally
- Folds easily for storage
- A great addition to the Terrero Taboret (above) #886003

Shipping weight: 14 lbs.
Box dimensions: 31” x 21” x 6”
Ships assembled by UPS

NUMBER 884200
Mahl Sticks
A wonderful arm rest, the mahl stick is used to relieve pain in shoulders, arms and hands which is common from years of painting.

A. Solid Oak
- Length: 40"
- Width: 5/8" x 5/8"
- Includes soft cloth cover
- Made of solid oak
- Shipping weight: 3 lbs.
NUMBER 880181

B. Metal & Cork
- A two piece lightweight, varnished, aluminum rod with cork ball.
- Includes soft cloth cover.
NUMBER 696024

Stainless Steel Canisters

Large Canister
5" wide and 5-3/4" high.
NUMBER 895001

Small Cup
2-1/4" wide, 1-3/4" high.
NUMBER 895010

See page 162 for brush cleaning screens to fit right inside of your stainless steel canisters!

The Sitha Taboret
Ideal for pastel, oil and water media.
- Closed width/depth: 2-1/4" x 26"
- Closed height: 37"
- Extended height: 87"
- Extended width: 48"
- Max. canvas height: 44"–54" (Has peg locking device in 2nd drawer to extend canvas height to 54").
- Attached fold-out easel can be adjusted to forward tilt
- Drawers are on smooth, full extension, metal bearing sliders for easy opening
- Top drawer contains a 1/4" thick, 18" square melamine palette and a fold out holder for the supplied brush washer #411250 (see page 166 for image of brush washer.)
- Third drawer is deep enough for storage of canvas trays from easel when unit is closed
- Mounted on front locking rubber casters
- Packaged in heavy duty carton
- Shipping weight: 150 lbs.
- Box dimensions: 27" x 27" x 34"
- Ships assembled by truck.
(Casters must be attached when unit arrives to prevent damage in shipping.)
NUMBER 880019
A. Becky Taboret
Great for home or studio! Easel lays flat for storage and wings fold over offering a flat work space suitable for full sheets of watercolor paper or other projects. Lower shelf area is great for storing supplies.

- Taboret height (closed): 32"
- Taboret depth (closed): 24"
- Includes attached easel
- Maximum easel height: 75-1/2"
- Minimum easel height: 58"
- Maximum width: 80" (wings open) 40" (wings closed)
- Maximum canvas height: 39"
- Adjustable double mast
- Forward tilt for pastels
- 2 Small storage compartments: 4-1/2" x 21"
- Lower storage shelf: 19" x 38"
- Does not accommodate casters
- Assembly required
- Shipping weight: 94 lbs.
- Box dimensions: 55" x 30" x 9"
- Ships by truck

NUMBER 880061

B. Caitlin Taboret
This oak taboret is useful for any artist whether they work in pastel, water media or oils. The attached easel can be positioned to any angle and varying heights to accommodate a variety of working positions. It includes a large stainless steel brush washer and a stainless steel canister, and features locking rubber casters for mobility.

- Base width/depth: 32" x 21-1/2"
- Unit width with wings extended: 64"
- Includes attached easel
- Maximum easel height: 68-1/2"
- Taboret height: 30"
- Maximum canvas height: 33"
- Pull-out work surface: 26" (w) x 18"(d)
- Drawer inside dimensions: 26-3/4"(w) x 17-1/2"(d) x 3-1/2"(h)
- Cabinet inside dimensions: 30-1/4"(w) x 19-3/4"(d) x 16"(h)
- Includes rubber casters
- Shipping weight: 138 lbs.
- Box dimensions: 35" x 25" x 35"
- Ships by truck

NUMBER 880060
These tabrets, made in the BEST tradition of form and function conceal and store beautifully! These are a great addition to any artist’s studio and can even be a useful tool in the classroom. The units are mounted on locking casters, making mobility a breeze! The BEST Limited Lifetime Warranty makes these a must-have.

A. **Best Studio Taboret**
   5 Drawer with Cubby
   - Taboret dimensions: 30”(w) x 19-1/2”(d) x 30-1/4”(h)
   - Top 3 drawer dimensions (inside): 14-3/4”(w) x 16-1/2”(d) x 1-3/4”(h)
   - 4th drawer dimensions (inside): 14-3/4”(w) x 16-1/2”(d) x 6-1/4”(h)
   - 5th drawer dimensions (inside): 14-3/4”(w) x 16-1/2”(d) x 9”(h)
   - Side Compartment: 10”(w) x 17-3/4”(d) x 24-1/2”(h)
   - Includes plastic casters
   - Shipping weight: 93 lbs.
   - Box dimensions: 34” x 24” x 30”
   - Ships UPS
   NUMBER 880077

B. **Best Studio Taboret**
   - Taboret dimensions: 19-1/2”(w) x 20-1/4”(d) x 30-1/4”(h)
   - Drawer dimensions (inside): 14-3/4”(w) x 16-1/2”(d) x 1-3/4”(h)
   - Bottom compartment: 16-3/4”(w) x 17-3/4”(d) x 16-1/2”(h)
   - Adjustable shelf included
   - Made of solid oak/oak plywood
   - Includes plastic casters
   - Shipping weight: 53 lbs.
   - Box dimensions: 23” x 23” x 35”
   - Ships UPS
   NUMBER 880075

C. **Best Studio Taboret 5 Drawer**
   - Taboret dimensions: 19-1/2”(w) x 19-1/2”(d) x 30-1/4”(h)
   - Top 3 drawer dimensions (inside): 14-3/4”(w) x 16-1/2”(d) x 1-3/4”(h)
   - 4th drawer dimensions (inside): 14-3/4”(w) x 16-1/2”(d) x 6-1/4”(h)
   - 5th drawer dimensions (inside): 14-3/4”(w) x 16-1/2”(d) x 9”(h)
   - Made of solid oak and oak plywood
   - Includes plastic casters
   - Shipping weight: 66 lbs.
   - Box dimensions: 23” x 23” x 35”
   - Ships UPS
   NUMBER 880076
A. Oak Flat File
Designed to ship unassembled to save on shipping costs and lower the chance of damage during shipping, this flat file assembles into a sturdy piece of furniture. Each of the drawers are large enough to hold full sheets of artists’ paper. Drawer dimensions: 40-1/2”(w) x 28”(l) x 3”(d). Mix and match pieces for a customized storage space!

*Requires a base and cap

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B. BEST Art Cart
Not many art instructors have the luxury of having their own classroom. Our mobile art station helps these special educators stay organized! Made of oak in the BEST tradition of quality, this cart will withstand the mobility necessary for a traveling classroom! When open, this unit is a workable station, when closed it appears to be a high quality cabinet that would enhance any room at school or home. This station includes a magnetic latch, brass piano hinges on the doors, two shelves, a sliding drawer and rolling casters.

- Base width/depth: 36” x 24”
- Cart height: 41-1/4”
- Drawer dimensions: 33-1/4” x 21-1/4” x 3-1/4”
- Includes rubber casters
- Shipping weight: 146 lbs.
- Box dimensions: 39” x 29” x 42”
- Ships assembled by truck

*Includes rubber casters

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The BEST Art Cart closes securely, keeping supplies hidden and making transport a breeze!
**BEST MODULAR WORK STATION**

**BEST Work Station**
Create your own work station! Mix and match these sturdy raw oak and birch pieces to meet any artists needs. Integrate the table top section (#3) with any two side pieces to create a work station suited just for you!

**A. Small Shelf Unit**
PART 1
37"(h) x 34"(w) x 9-1/2"(d)
Shipping information:
134lbs.; 39" x 36" x 13"
NUMBER 880081

**B. Large Shelf Unit**
PART 2
37"(h) x 34"(w) x 19"(d)
Shipping information:
105lbs.; 23" x 37" x 40"
NUMBER 880082

**C. Table Top**
PART 3
Includes a towel holder and 4 large stainless steel canisters.
1-1/2" thick x 61-1/2"(w) x 36"(d)
Shipping information:
50lbs.; 63" x 37" x 5"
NUMBER 880083

**D. Paper Slots**
PART 4
37"(h) x 34"(w) x 19"(d)
Shipping information:
87lbs.; 36" x 22" x 39"
NUMBER 880084

**E. Drawer**
PART 5
3-1/2"(h) x 15-1/4"(w) x 25-3/8"(d)
Shipping information:
11lbs.; 31" x 21" x 6"
NUMBER 880085

**F. Small Extra Shelf**
PART 6
37"(h) x 34"(w) x 9-1/2"(d)
NUMBER 880086

**G. Large Extra Shelf**
PART 7
37"(h) x 34"(w) x 19"(d)
NUMBER 880087

*Unit does not accommodate casters. Some assembly required.*
Taos Watercolor Taboret

Beautiful oak taboret, perfect for working flat or with the Deluxe Table Top Easel. The Taos Taboret features two sliding top panels that open to a 36" x 24" recessed work area. This unique workstation offers plenty of storage, including three drawers, a double-doored cabinet, and two paper drawers. Will easily hold full sheets of watercolor paper!

- Closed: 41-3/4" x 25-1/2"
- Height w/casters: 33-1/2"
- Top surface: 41-1/2" x 25-1/2"
- Top Panels: 20-3/4" x 25-1/2"
- Drawer Dimensions:
  - 1: 23" x 15-1/2" x 4"
  - 2 & 3: 15-3/4" x 23" x 5"
  - 4 & 5: 23" x 35" x 3.5"
- Cabinet: 24" x 19" x 15-3/4"
- Includes front-locking rubber casters
- Box dimensions: 44" x 30" x 34"
- Shipping weight: 250 lbs.
- Ships assembled by truck
- Lift gate required

Perfect storage unit and workspace for the watercolor painter!

NUMBER 880064
A. **Caballo Bench by BEST**
You won’t find a better bench! A remarkable easel that does everything and goes anywhere. Attached wheels offer mobility when the bench is folded up. When it is set up, the unit provides a sitting area, a storage drawer and an easel for sketching or painting. For years, Italian bench/easels made of beechwood have been popular in the States. Now, this Old World favorite is not just made better, but the BEST!

- Full height: 52”
- Bench height: 18”
- Offers a 16” long divided supply drawer as well as a 27-1/2” long storage area for the mast and canvas holders
- Maximum canvas height: 27-1/2”
- Packaged in heavy-duty carton for protection
- Shipping weight: 30 lbs.
- Ships partially assembled by UPS
- Box dimensions: 43” x 14” x 6”

**NUMBER 886008**

B. **Caballito by BEST**
The traditional art school bench used for years. Designed for student comfort as well as easy storage in the classroom, the Caballito bench is made of solid oak and oak plywood to provide a great workspace at a very low price.

- Base dimensions: 29” x 13-1/2”
  - Bench height: 17-1/4”
- Shipping weight: 16 lbs.
- Ships by UPS, assembly required.
- Box dimensions: 48” x 13” x 3”

**NUMBER 886009**