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*Desk Base Idea Book*  
& Design Guide



# stamp-n-storage *supports your crafting.*

Combine the Stamp-n-Storage Desk Base with IKEA® table tops and accessories to create your own dream craft area.







## *Introduction*

Stamp-n-Storage has released our Desk Base product line to bring two great things together:

- Sturdy and space efficient Stamp-n-Storage Paper Holders and Drawer Cabinets
- Versatile IKEA furniture

Combining these allows you to create a beautiful and functional craft area that is just right for your room and for your collection of tools, supplies, and accessories.



# Planning your desk

Every hour you spend planning before you get started will pay off by saving headaches, disappointments, and money.



## Measure, measure, measure!

- Measure your room.
- Measure the current furniture you want to keep.
- Check dimensions of the purchases you are considering.



## Take inventory and think about how you craft!

- Think about all the supplies, tools, and accessories you have and where you want them to be.
- Is it used often? Keep it close. Put it on your desktop or in a top drawer.
- Is it pretty? Keep it visible to inspire you.



## Make sketches and test!

- Sketch out your desk and double check dimensions to make sure it will fit.
- Make a plan for each drawer and shelf by writing lists or drawing it. This may be tedious but it pays off!



## Where will you place your desk?

- Along an open wall or in a corner?
- Between two walls or other furniture?
- Will it be open at one or both ends?
- Out in the room like an island or a peninsula?

Planning this is an important step, and will have a big impact on the layout of your room and how much usable space you have for storage. There are lots of trade-offs: Placing your desk out in the room as an island or peninsula can allow people to work from both sides. However, having the desk along the wall lets you use that wall space for storage and provides easy access to commonly used items like inks and punches.



## Is there room for you?

When you're planning the storage beneath your desk, make sure to leave enough room for you and your chair to fit comfortably. Measure your chair and how much room you need to comfortably move in and out of a sitting position.



## Stay flexible!

Once you start putting everything together, you may be surprised by how something turns out. It's OK to change course and rearrange. It's all about finding what works for you and your space.



# Desk Table Tops & Supports

## Stamp-n-Storage Desk Base

Make the space under your desk functional by adding the Stamp-n-Storage Desk Base, designed to be compatible with the height of specific IKEA products (see below). A variety of options are available to fit your crafting needs.

- The 8.5x11 and 12x12 Base offer twenty-four 1" compartments for paper storage. That's a lot of paper you'll have right at your finger tips.
- The Drawer Cabinet Base includes up to twenty drawers, which is over twenty square feet of storage, or the same area as ten feet of standard counter top! You can store wood mount stamps, embellishments, tools, and so much more. Plus it will all be easily accessible right where you're sitting.





## Table Tops

IKEA® has a wide variety of options to mix and match to create the ideal work surface for your craft area. Check out the [Table Bar Buying Guide](#) by IKEA® for additional details. Stamp-n-Storage is excited to offer the Desk Base product line as another option for creating the perfect desk!

You can also provide your own table top if you have a section of countertop or work surface that will work in your space.



**SAFETY NOTE:** It is very important to support your work surface properly. Crafting supplies can get very heavy. Be sure that your desk is secure to protect both you and your craft supplies. Refer to “Supporting your desk” (pg. 7) for more details.

## Supports

The Stamp-n-Storage Desk Base products are intended to work with specific IKEA table support products:

- **Adils table legs**
- **Alex drawer base**

We recommend using the Adils table legs because they are sturdy, easy to install, and their height is adjustable to accommodate uneven surfaces.



The Alex product line has several options. However, only two are the correct height of 27-1/2”, which is compatible with the Desk Base products:

- [Five drawer](#)
- [Four drawer](#)

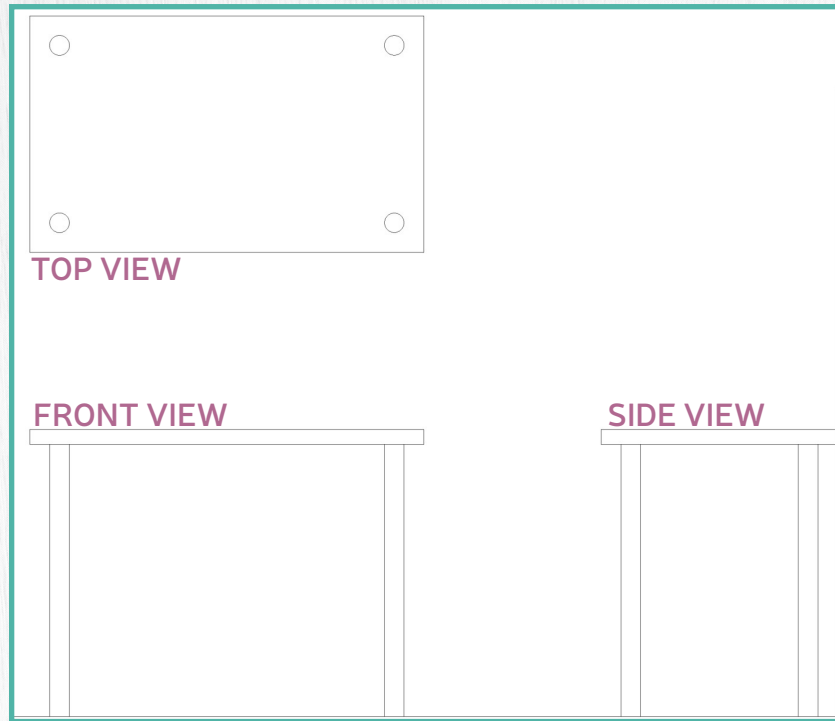




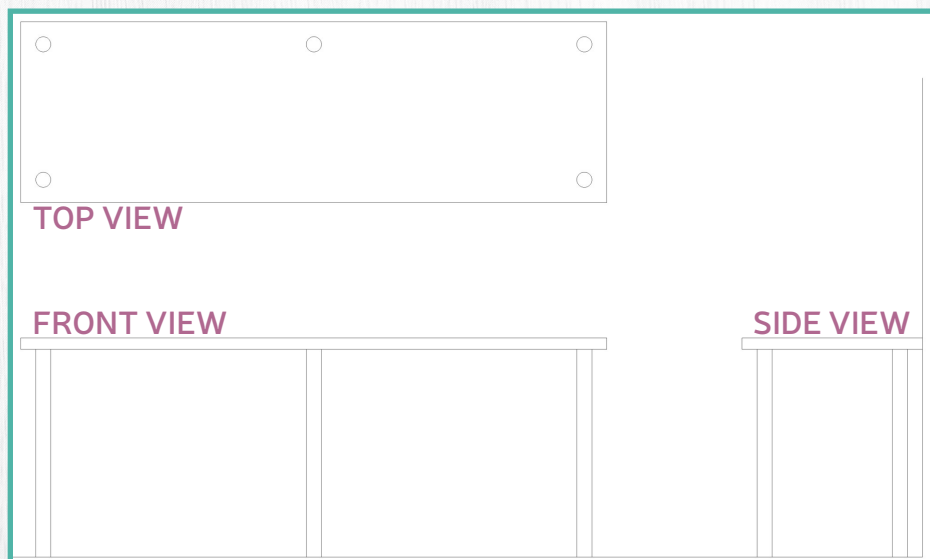
# Supporting your Desk

It's very important that your desk is sturdy and well-supported. There are many options for you to consider, and the Stamp-n-Storage Desk Base can add a lot of function and beauty to your table.

The simplest option for smaller desks is to use legs at the four corners.

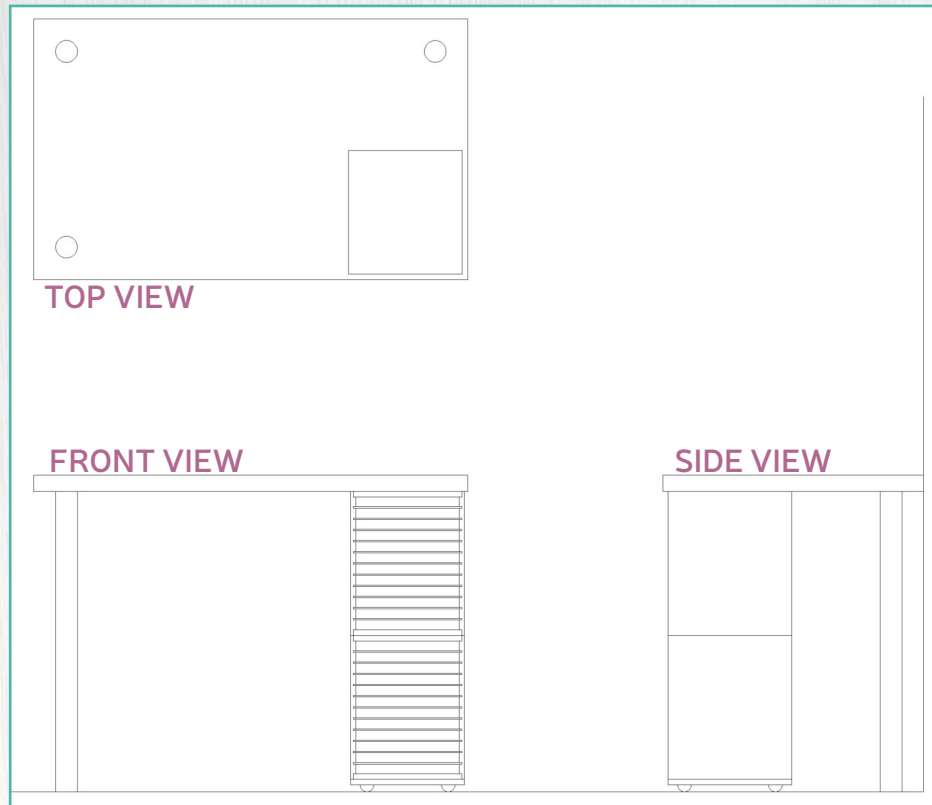


**IMPORTANT:** If you're using the IKEA Linnmon table top (or similar) that is five feet wide or wider and you plan to place heavier items on top (like Stamp-n-Storage cabinets) we recommend adding another leg in the middle.

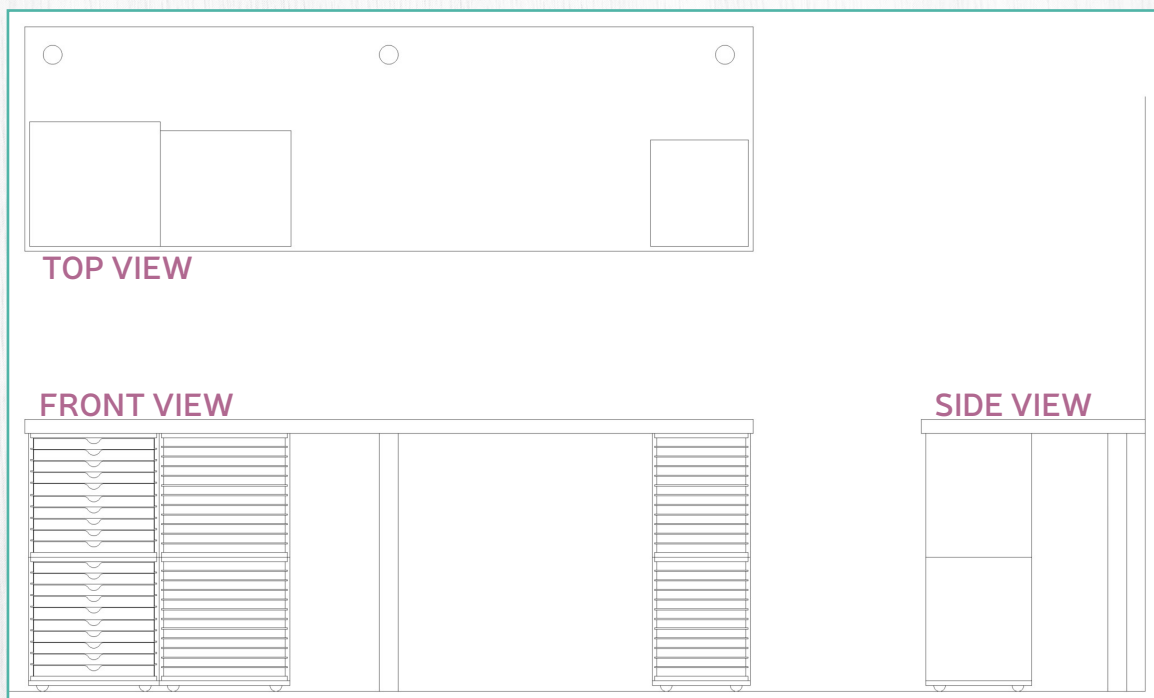





While these are simple options, they don't make very good use of the space under the desk. Let's replace one of the legs with a Stamp-n-Storage Desk Base.



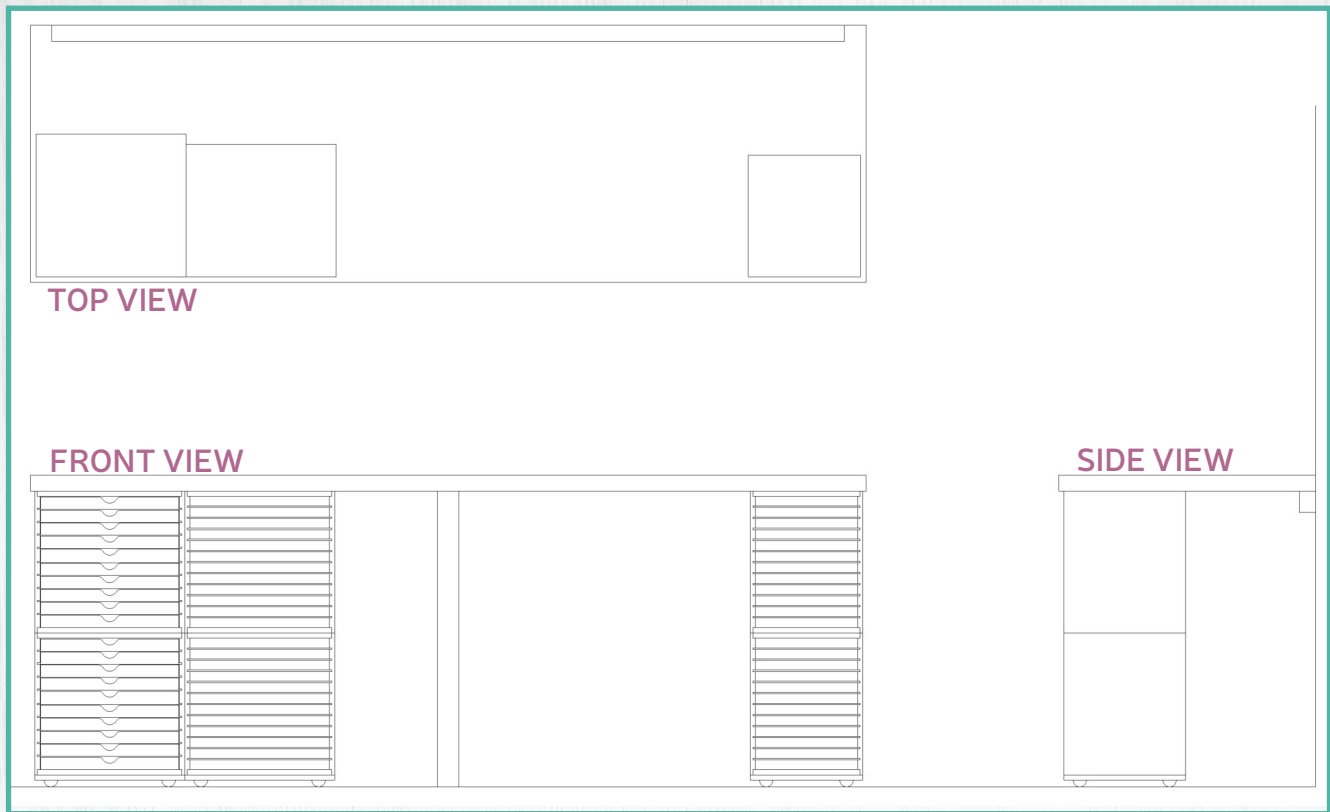
On the example with the larger desk, there is room to incorporate multiple Desk Bases.



 Recommended leg support location.




If your desk is along a wall or in a corner, instead of using table legs at the back you can support it with a board attached to the wall. This will make it very sturdy. Just make sure you measure carefully and place it at the correct height to match the other desk supports you are using.



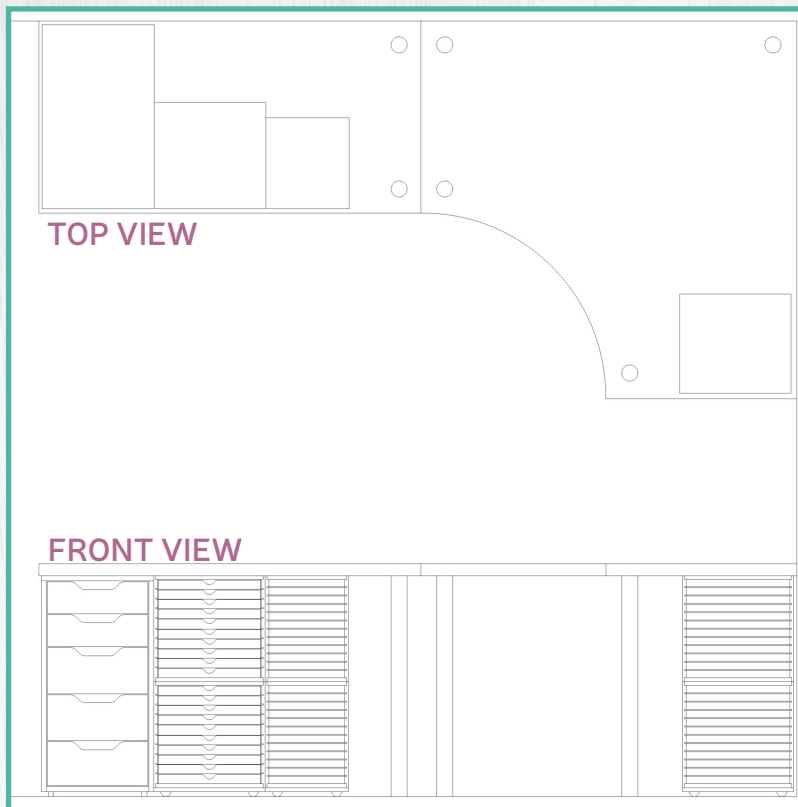
The Alex drawer can replace both front and rear support legs on most table tops that are about two feet deep.



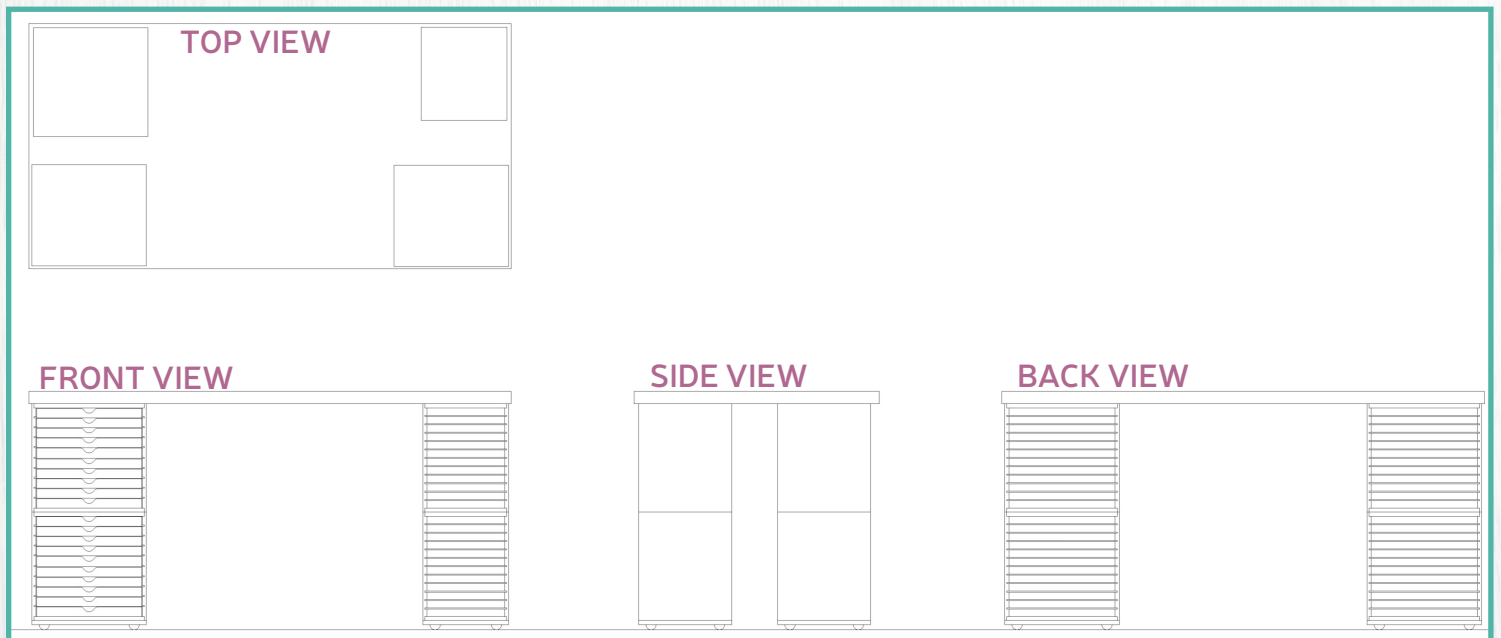
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Corners can allow you to get creative, increasing your work space while maintaining versatile storage space underneath.



And if you plan to have your desk situated like an island or peninsula, you can incorporate storage all the way around the base. The table shown here is the IKEA Linnmon with dimensions 59" x 29".



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*unleash your creativity!*

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