

Beginners Shed Buying Guide and Work Book

Some of our customers tell us they were a little overwhelmed when they learned all of the choices they have when selecting a new shed...the size...the colors...the options...

So, we've put together this simple work book that should help you get a crystal clear idea of what you're looking for! So print this up, give some thought to our questions, maybe answer them with your family, and it should uncover exactly what shed is right for you!
And most of all...have fun with it!

If you haven't done so already, make sure to check out our website and look for the section called "Things to Know Before You Buy". We cover a lot of really useful information in it and you'll be a shed expert in no time.

Step 1: What will you be using your new structure for?

- Basic Storage? -- stuff currently in the garage/basement/attic
- Lawn and Garden Equipment? riding mowers, push mowers, potting soil, rakes, shovels...
- Workshop? do it yourself carpenter, craft booker, photographer, collector etc
- Private Retreat? club house for adults (or kids)
- Pool Storage?
- Home Gym?
- Home Office?
- Other

Notes:

Step 2: How much space will you need?

Create a list-in as much detail as you can- of what you want to store:

Now figure out what size is best

<u>Square Footage Range</u>	<u>Good for storing...</u>	<u>We Recommend...</u>
96 square feet to 120	Garden Tools, Push Mower and a Snow Blower, a little bit of boxed storage	8' wide x 12' long good for small back yards, don't need a lot of storage. A Riding mower here would be a tight fit. The smallest structure- a 6' wide by 8' long are less than 50 square feet.
140 square feet to 180 square feet	Lawn Tractor and push mower and snow blower. Still room for a small workshop. Use wall space for garden tools. Space leftover for box storage	10' wide x 16' -160 square feet works well for nearly all our customers. Most popular size. Fits all the important items but not a lot of room to walk around. Pay special attention to where you will you place your riding mower.
240 square feet to 280 square feet	Law Tractor with the attached bagger, and push mower and snow blower. Longer walls mean more hanging space for garden tools. Still have room to devote one end for 8' x 12' workshop	12' wide x 20' long is the best seller in the large shed category. If extra space to walk around is important, or you want some left over room for a functioning workshop, going with this larger size won't disappoint.
280 square feet or higher	Vehicles- autos, trucks, small hobby tractors, ATVs, classic autos, boats, and all the items listed above	14' wide by 28' long are the dimensions for our popular 1 car garage model. Two car garages can be as large as 24' by 36'.

- 96 -120 square feet
- 130- 180 square feet
- 180-280 square feet
- Over 280 square feet

Create a floor plan of how you will arrange your items in your new storage structure:

Shed Secret #1: Buyers' Remorse In Shed Buying

By far, the most common "complaint" we get from our customers is "*I should have listened to you and gone with something bigger.*" There always seems to be more stuff you want to put into your new storage shed than when you originally thought. It make sense- by the 2nd or 3rd weekend, when you really start appreciating you can park both cars in the garage again, and you get used to having a neat and orderly home because you have everything organized in your storage shed; you probably will think of other things you want to store in it.

Step 3: What Style Do You Like?

- Barn
- Utility
- Garden Shed
- Quaker
- Lofted Barn
- Lofted Cottage
- Lancaster
- Dreamer
- Garage
- Lofted Garage
- A-Frame Cabin
- Lofted Cabin
- Custom

Notes:

Step 4: Select Your Color Combinations

Do you want your structure made out of?

- LP Smart Siding
- Vinyl

Color Choices in LP Smart Siding

- Paint
- Urethane

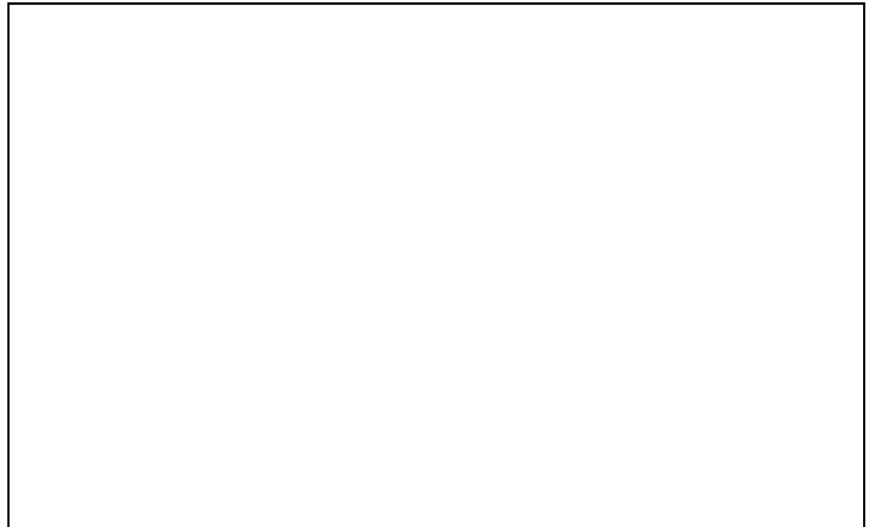
Color Choices in Vinyl

Color Choices in Standard Shingles

Step 5: What Options Do You Want?

- Heavy Duty Ramp
- Reinforced Floors
- Gable Overhangs
- Ridge Vents
- Sky Lights
- Shelving
- Porch
- Work Bench
- Lofts
- Extra Doors
- Garage Doors
- Extra Tall Doors 7'
- Electrical Package
- Insulated Floor
- Cupola
- Octagon Windows
- Transom Windows
- Metal Roof
- Other_____
- Other_____
- Other_____

Mark on the outline where you want any extra doors/windows shelves placed.



You can also design your building on our website
<https://shedview.boondocksbarns.com/>

Congratulations! Hopefully, you now have a much clearer idea of what you need -- and what you are looking for -- in a shed.

Your next step:

Stop by and bring this with you. We'll go over your workbook, with you, and compare that with what we have in stock. If we don't have something that suits you, not to worry -- we can have one built for you in no time!