

## A hanger bench - or clothes tree

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Arne Johansson in Allerød, Denmark fell for the task which the Danish craft magazine 'Husflid' had raised: Creating a different coat hanger. It was this bench with three hangers. Some might call it in Danish 'stumtjener' 'dump waiter'!), but since it is worth mention that the clothes not will hang at the straps - but on the hanger, the critics on this point must surrender! The bench is equipped with two wheels that can be used for free-choice method. You take them off when the bench is driven onto its place. Furthermore he has placed two reliefs with religious scenes - Jesus birth and ascension, carved in oak. Here some facts about the hanger: There is room for three on the bench. It is approx. 2 meter long, 1.8 meters high. There are used many different woods, including birch, thuja, Caucasian walnut, ash, cypress. The small wheels are of pine, it is big pear tree. The wood comes partly from the garden, and from neighbors'. He has not yet decided the surface treatment - it depends somewhat on where the bench should be situated. For indoor use bees wax will be enough. It could be in a hall on the estate ... or the town hall ...

Arne Johansson's father was a manufacturer of splint baskets, while Arne Johansson himself was trained as a carpenter like his father. Along with his carpentry profession he made lamp shades of wood chips, from 1970 full time, having taken over the factory. It requires more space than most have in the hobby room to make this hanger! When he is



not making benches, he makes perhaps a sculpture in wood or even pottery.

There has been worked on the 'hanger' in a few months, it surpassed the work of another bench, which now also is finished. We agreed that if you wanted, you might as well see it as a more traditional hanger - for a very large coat size!

