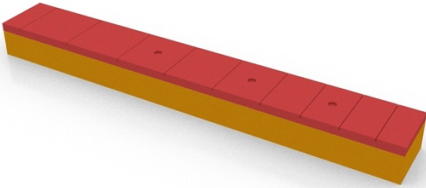
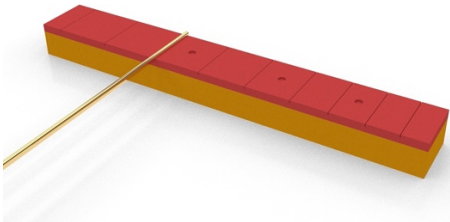
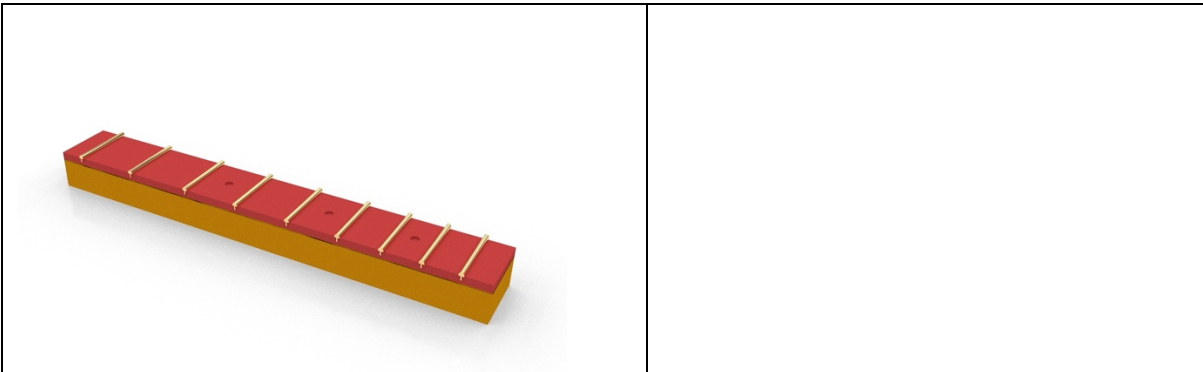


Adding frets to your CBG kit

If you have chosen to add frets to your Cigar Box Guitar Kit – the following is a quick guide to preparing the fretboard and adding the frets to your neck. Firstly, ensure that you have glued the fretboard onto the guitar neck and shaped the neck to final shape.

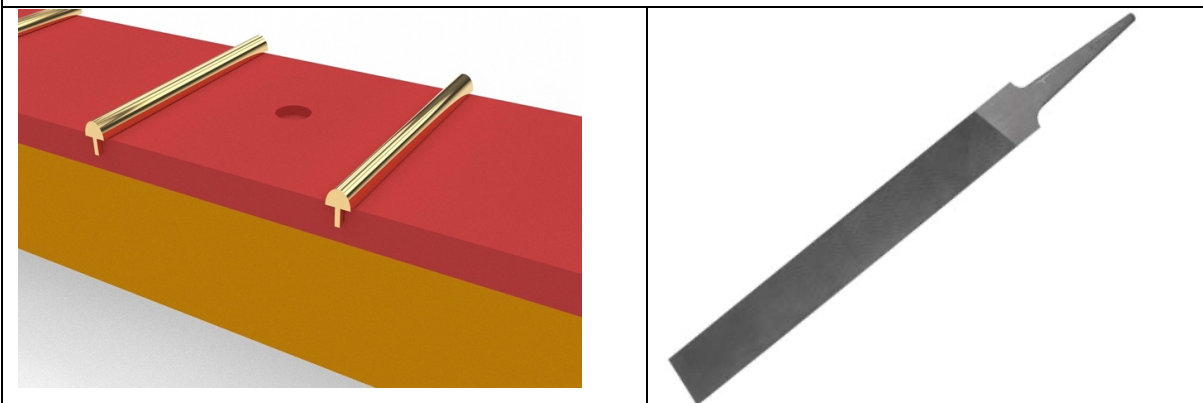
As our fretboards are all pre marked using a laser engraver – the fret positions are already cut into the board in the correct places so following the steps below should give you the perfect spacing and fret finish!

	
Step 1 Using a fretsaw (or alternatively a junior hacksaw) run the blade along the pre marked positions on the fretboard and cut to a depth that allows the fret tang to fit into the fretboard (approx. 3mm to 4mm deep)	
	
Step 2 Place a full length of fret wire into the cut slot, ensuring the tang goes completely into the slot. Gently hammer with a soft headed hammer and then snip the excess off.	



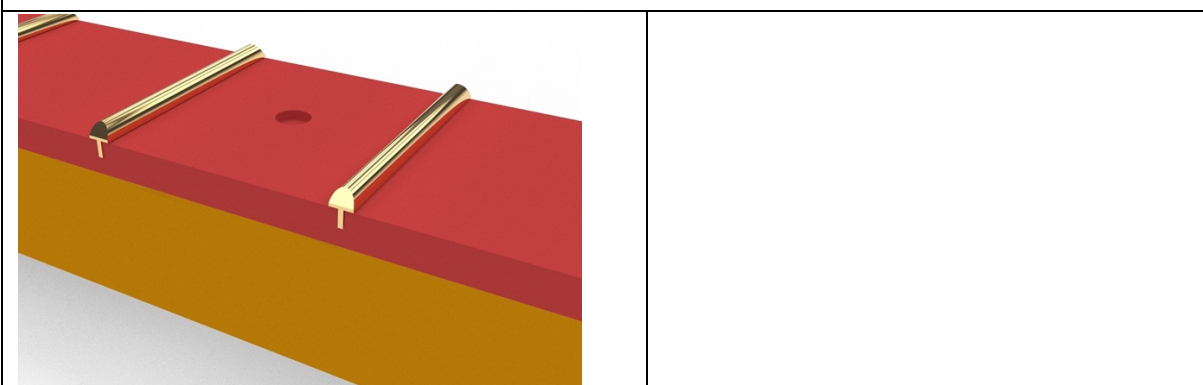
Step 3

Repeat across the full length of the fretboard



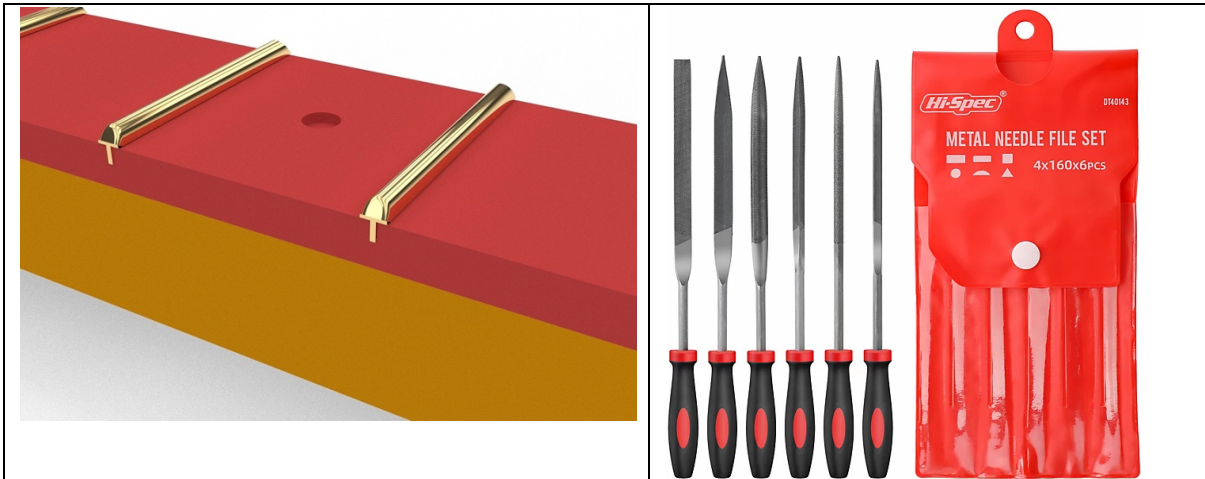
Step 4

Using a file, file off any excess fret proud of the end of the fretboard and neck. One technique is to run a flat file along the edge of the fretboard until all the fret sides are flush.



Step 5

Using the same tools and technique, angle the file slightly and continue filing along the length of the fretboard to create an angle at the very end of the frets as shown



Step 6

Using a very small and fine file, remove and round over the edge of the fret to create a smooth fret end that is comfortable to play. Finish by gently sanding and polishing with fine sandpaper and/or steel wool.