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## Graveyard Columns

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Started my fence column project this week and I am using the basic design from ravenmanor.com. Frame and base/supports are constructed from 2x2 and 1x2 lumber. Sheathing will be 1/2" exterior grade plywood. I will also be using exterior grade molding and trim to pump it up. I want to experiment with monster mud on the exterior to create a plaster look coating on the columns.

Here is where I am now:



Here are all the pre-cuts for the first column.



Partial assembly completed. These rings are the base, lower level support and top supports.

Obtained from  
Omarshauntedtrail.com



First frame completed. The lower supports are secured using 3" screws, two per post. The upper support is secured using my brad nailer.



Two entrance columns ready to be closed up.

I will enclose these columns this week. I will also hinge one bottom panel on each for future use in case I want to put a fogger, speaker or even lights on or in the columns. Stand by for future updates.

Ok...phase two pictures, enclosed the frame and began trimming as well as created an access panel on the back side for future electrical, music or adding a fog machine.



Sheathing completed and trimming underway....



Back access panel....



Panel itself....



Magnetic closure and plates....



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Now I've added Bondex to the side as a texture before painting with Kilz....

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