

Supply List: How to Make an Overhead Tabletop Camera Stand with PVC, Easy Mount Install

What you Need to make this stand with mount

For measuring and cutting PVC pipe, and connectors for assembly

One length of one-inch PVC pipe

PVC comes in 10 foot lengths

Safety Glasses

Measuring Tape

Marker

Pipe Cutter

Use one sized for cutting up to 1 1/4 inch pipe

You also need PVC connectors for installing a mount and assembling the stand:

4 end caps,

3 Ts,

2 90 degree angle fittings, usually referred to as elbows

For installing the camera mount onto PVC 'T' fitting

Camera mount

We used a Ball Joint, a Universal 1/4 inch mini ball head screw tripod mount

PVC T part

drill and 1/4 inch bit

1/4 – 20 UNC thread size nut

bolt... 3/4 inch in length

2 washers - 1/4 inch, one slightly larger

Sandpaper

And

A socket & open end wrench, or equivalent for stableizing and then tightening the bolt

Assembly, Accessories, and Storage

Camera

Your choice

Monitor

required cables, consult your camera's instructions for details

Storage box

Ours 16 3/4 inch in length, 12 inches in width, and 7 inches in depth

Tips for Using Your Overhead Tabletop Camera Stand

The camera is always positioned on the opposite side from you... You don't want to record upside down.

Practicing is an important part of getting the best footage. You may have noticed bits of blue tape in the overhead shots in the video. This sets the boundary for the camera's field of vision. Once you get used to staying within the boundaries, you won't need the tape.