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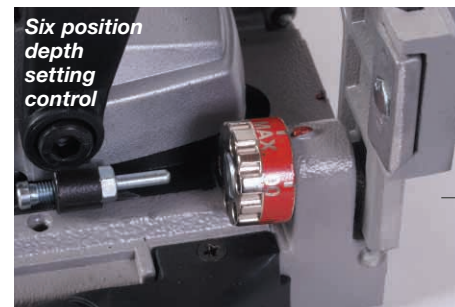
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Trend T20K Biscuit Jointer



Base removes easily for blade changes



Six position depth setting control

Biscuit jointing is an increasingly popular method of joining timber, and with good reason. The joints are extremely strong and also quick and easy to cut, when a dedicated jointer is used. For several years Trend has produced a biscuit jointing cutter set for routers, which, although perfectly effective for simple edge-to-edge joints lacks the speed and versatility of a dedicated machine. This problem has now been remedied with the addition of a new jointer, the 710W T20K.

Until recently biscuit jointers were rather rare and exotic beasts, found only in the workshops of the more adventurous craftsmen. Now, however, almost every power tool manufacturer markets a machine and they are a familiar sight in the tool catalogues. The Trend is solidly built machine with a two-part tilting front fence. The rise and fall on the sliding part is simple to adjust and a pair of clearly marked scales make sure that it will be set parallel. This may be removed for use inside

carcases when only the base and vertical fence are needed for reference. The vertical fence may be tilted through ninety degrees and there are positive click stops at forty five and ninety degrees.

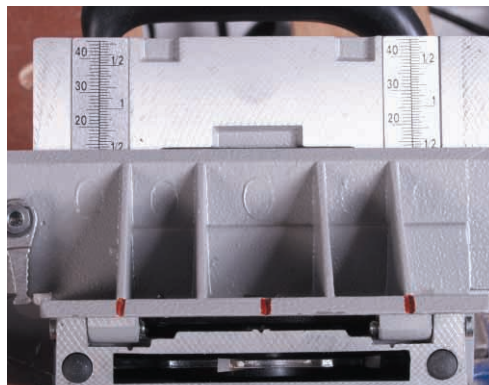
There's a six position depth adjuster on the right hand side of the body. Below this is the dust extraction port which may be fitted to the bag supplied, or better still, to a vacuum extractor. The power switch is located on the left hand side of the body and is reassuringly positive.

Blade changing is straightforward as the whole base slides off once a pair of screws has been removed. The T20K is supplied with a six tooth TCT blade with large anti-kickback limiters, producing a clean cut. On either end of the blade opening are rubber buffers to help grip the workpiece and stop any tendency to slip sideways - one of the few problems associated with these tools.

Plunging in: the Trend Jointer is tough enough for trade use



Front fence showing clearly marked scales



The Verdict...

Trend has put together a very competitive package here, with enough extras and accessories to get you started. The tool quality makes this a good buy for the regular home or light trade user.