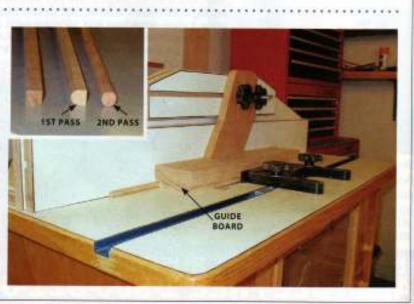
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Make Your Own Dowels ...

Dowels made from unusual wood species are expensive, if you can find them at all. Making your own on the router table is simple. For 3/8" dowels, cut 3/8"x 3/8" strips to any length. Cut a 3/8" rabbet in a piece of hardwood to use as a guide board. Next, install a 3/8" bullnose bit in your router table. Secure the guide board to the router table with feather boards or clamps. For the first pass, cut a 3/8" bullnose on one side of the stock. Rotate the stock 180° for the final pass. Use the same technique to make any size dowel. -Bob Addington



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