Rat Rig

08. Bed & Y-Axis Endstop Assemblies

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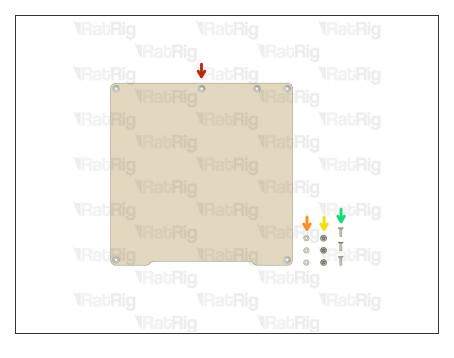
INTRODUCTION

Please note: The bed measurements provided in this guide are based upon building a 300x300 V-Core 3.

If you are building a machine of a different size, please refer to the following list for the correct bed measurement for your machine:

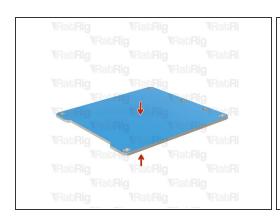
200x200: 229x229x5mm
300x300: 329x329x6mm
400x400: 429x429x6mm
500x500: 529x529x6mm

Step 1 — Prepare the bed parts

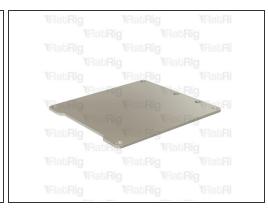


- 1x 329x329x6mm Machined Bed Plate
- 3x Aluminium Spacer 6mm
- 3x Threaded Steel Ball
- 3x M5x16 Countersink Screw

Step 2 — Prepare the bed

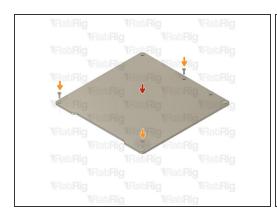


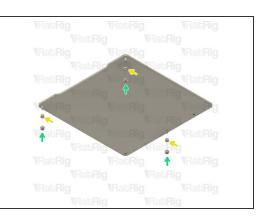




- To prevent scratches, the bed plate is shipped with a protective film on both sides.
- Gently peel off the protective film.
- Repeat for the other side.
- The magnetic sheet and heater pad will be installed later during the commissioning guide. **Do not install them now.**

Step 3 — Assemble the bed







- 329x329x6mm Machined Bed Plate
- M5x16 Countersink Screw
 - ① Insert an M5x16 countersink screw into each of the positions shown on the bed
- Aluminium Spacer 6mm
- Threaded Steel Ball
 - Add an aluminium spacer and threaded steel ball to each of the M5x16 screws
- Set the bed assembly aside until Step 9

Step 4 — Prepare the y-axis endstop parts



- 1x y_max_endstop_slider_3.1Printed Part
- 1x y_max_endstop_block_3.1Printed Part
- 2x M3x12 Cap Head Screw
- 1x Endstop Module
- 1x M5 Nylon Locking Hex Nut
- 1x 3030 Drop-in T-Nut M5
- 1x M5x12 Cap Head Screw
- 1x M5x10 Cap Head Screw

Step 5 — Assemble the y-axis endstop - Part 1







- y_max_endstop_block_3.1 Printed Part
- M5 Nylon Locking Hex Nut
- M5x10 Cap Head Screw
- 3030 Drop-in T-Nut M5
 - ② Loosely thread the 3030 T-Nut onto the M5x10 screw. Do not tighten it at this point.

Step 6 — Assemble the y-axis endstop - Part 2

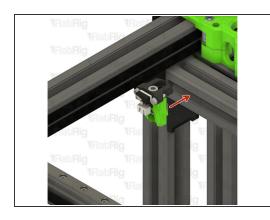


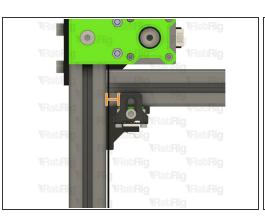




- M3x12 Cap Head Screw
- Endstop Module
- y_max_endstop_slider_3.1 Printed Part
 - Install an M3x12 screw through each hole on the endstop module and screw it into the printed part
- M5x12 Cap Head Screw
 - Install the M5x12 screw through the y_max_endstop_slider printed part and fasten it into the M5 nylon hex nut

Step 7 — Install the y-axis endstop

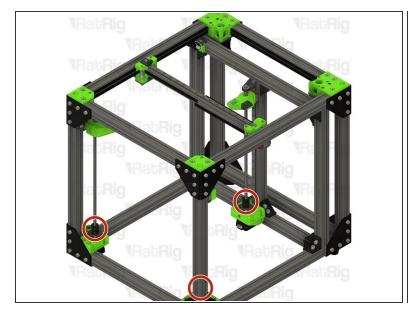


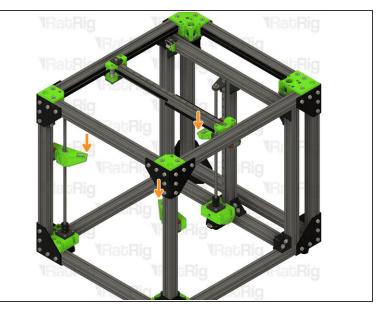




- Position the y-axis endstop on to the V-Core 3.1 frame as shown
- Check that the distance shown measures 11mm
- Fasten the M5x10 screw to secure the y-axis endstop assembly to the frame

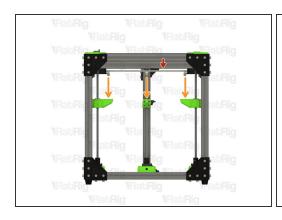
Step 8 — Install the bed assembly - Part 1

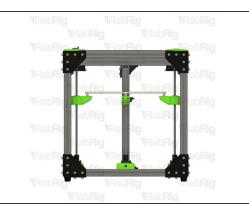


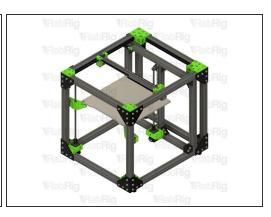


- Rotate each z-axis lead screw counter-clockwise to lower the bed arms
- Stop when the arms are roughly half way down

Step 9 — Install the bed assembly - Part 2

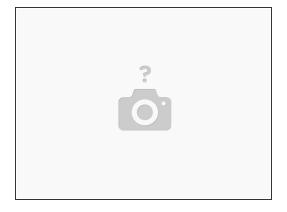






- Bed assembly from Step 2
- Install the bed onto the z-axis arms. Each ball on the bed should rest on the dowel pins in each arm

Step 10 — Next guide



- Follow the guide with the EVA heat insert assembly or the EVA hex nut assembly
 - Continue with the next guide: <u>09. EVA 3.0 Heat Insert Assembly</u>
 - Continue with the next guide: <u>10. EVA 3.0 Hex Nut Assembly</u>