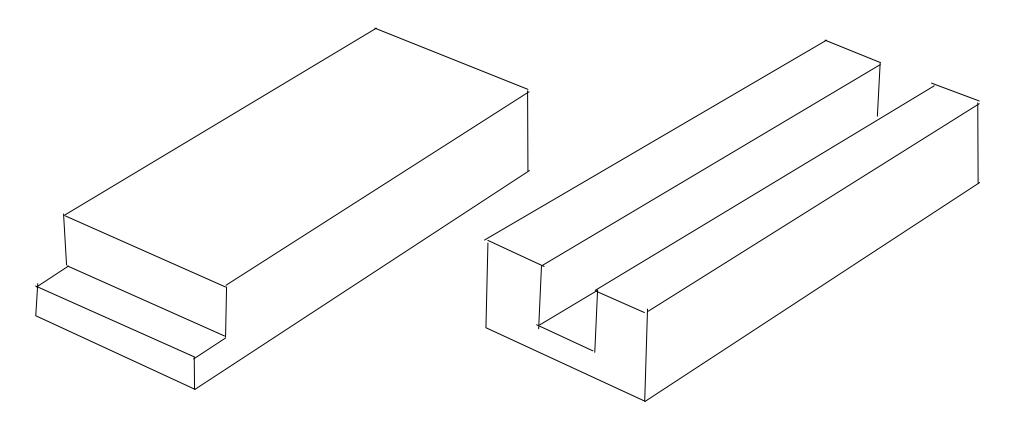
Rabbet vs Dado

Anatomy of the dado

The dado is a groove cut across the width of one board to accept the end of another. This common joint is found in furniture of all types, from built-ins to sideboards. It can be employed horizontally to support shelves on a bookcase or vertically to hold partitions. Dado's have two sides. It can be cut edge to edge or end to end as long as it has two sides



Anatomy of the rabbet

The rabbet is similar to the dado. It can be cut edge to edge or end to end but has only ONE side