

A SIMPLE LEADING EDGE SANDER

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A simple contour sander can be made from scrap balsa. Cut about 6 or 8 pieces of 1/16 balsa to 1x1 or 2x2 inches. Stack them together and hold with a rubber band. Press against the (rough) leading edge so that the inner layers are pushed back and the sander nestles around the edge. Use some thin CyA over the edges to hold the layers together. Using a dowel wrapped with sand paper, smooth up the inside a little. Apply a piece of sand paper loosely so that the contour is filled, and glue or (double sticky) tape the ends. Its fit doesn't have to be really tight to do a good sanding job.

