



Satsuma 250

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Assembly Manual

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Introduction



Before you begin, a word of caution.

In the comfort of your own home, you are about to assemble a robot. This machine can maim, burn, and electrocute you if you are not careful.

Please apply common sense when operating your Satsuma, and do not hesitate to ask for assistance with assembly or usage of your machine.

Before starting your build, continue to read the manual in full.

About

The Satsuma 250 follows in the line of printers by Squirrelbrain. It takes design queues from the Satsuma 180.

The goal of this project is to re-imagine a Prusa MK3/MK4 as a CoreXY machine, whilst using much of the same components found in the original printers.

While many of the mechanical parts can be sourced directly from Prusa, the whole the bill of materials can also be sourced from elsewhere with relative ease.

I hope you enjoy your build as much as I did putting this together <3
- *Ella Fox*

Credits

Special thanks to these awesome people, communities, and companies for making Satsuma 250 possible <3



Printed Part Guidelines

Depending on your goals for the printer, the material you choose to print the parts from will vary. Please use the table to configure your slicer settings accordingly.

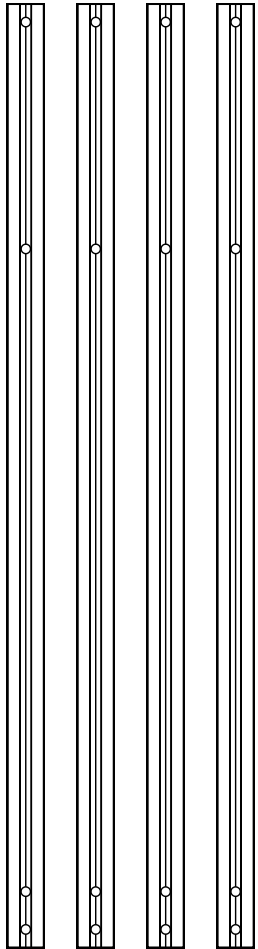
Material	Minimum (Open Frame): PETG Recommended (Enclosed): ABS, ASA Premium (Enclosed, High Temperature): Annealed PC-CF
Nozzle	0.4mm or 0.5mm
Layer Height	0.2mm
Perimeter/Wall Count	4
Solid Top/Bottom Layers	5
Infill Percentage	Minimum: 30% Recommended: 40%
Infill Pattern	Grid
Extrusion Width	0.4mm nozzle: 0.4mm forced width 0.5mm nozzle: 0.5mm forced width

Frame



Frame Preparation

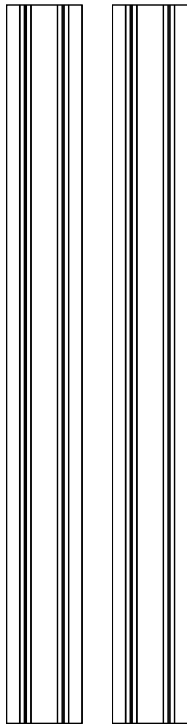
A Extrusion
20x20x500mm



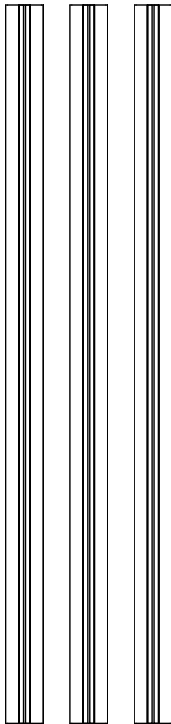
Sort Extrusions

Start by collecting all of your frame pieces, sorting them by the lengths. You can optionally use painter's tape and a marker pen to label each piece by the letter assigned.

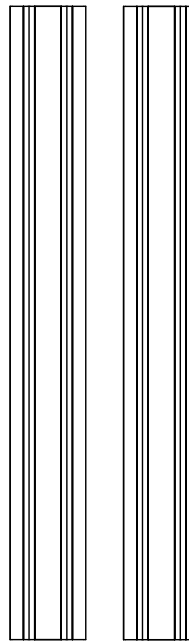
B Extrusion
20x40x380mm



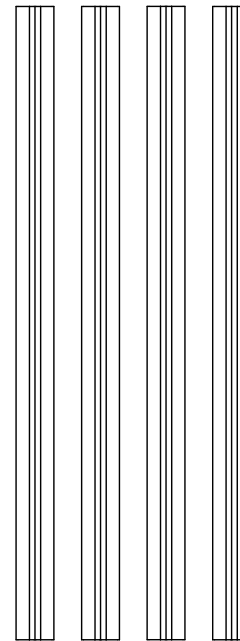
C Extrusion
20x20x380mm



D Extrusion
20x40x335mm



E Extrusion
20x20x335mm



M5x16 BHCS
30 pieces



Thread
Locker



Fasteners

Find the M5x16 button head screws, and have medium strength thread locker on standby.

You will be using a 3mm hex wrench for the next step.

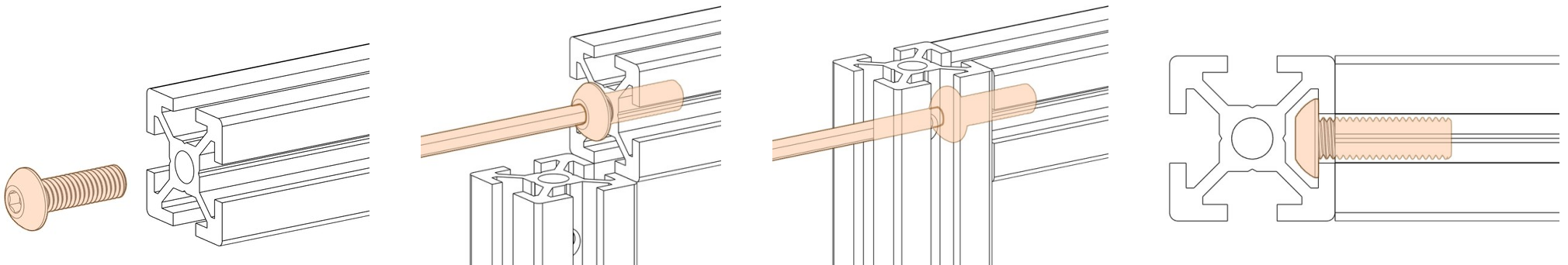
Blind Joints

The Basics

Blind joints are a cost-effective means of joining two or more pieces of extrusion, whilst providing good rigidity.

The head of the screw is slid into the channel of another piece of extrusion, then securely fastened with a hex wrench through the access hole. Thread locker is also used to ensure that once in place, the screw will not come loose.

If this is your first time using blind joints, Nero of the Voron Design team has great videos demonstrating the process should you require further instructions. You can find them at the QR codes and links on the left.

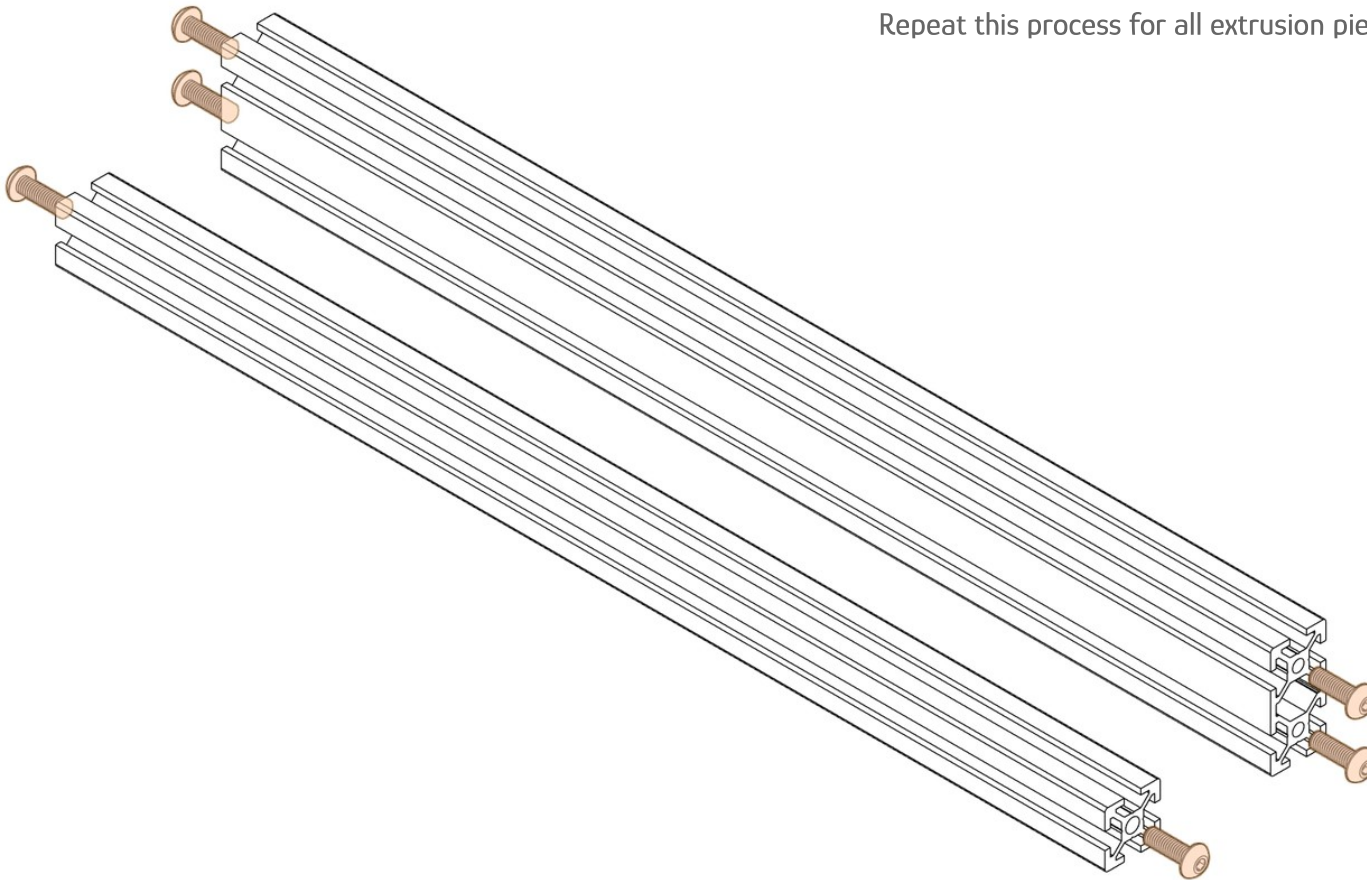


Blind Joint Preparation

Preparing Ends

Apply a small amount of thread locker to the threads of the M5x16mm screws, and insert into both ends of the extrusion. Do not thread all the way, but leave approximately a 3mm gap.

Repeat this process for all extrusion pieces marked by the letters B, C, D, and E.



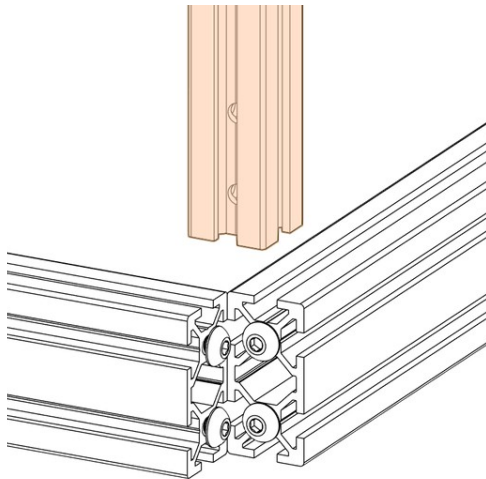
Frame

Build on a flat surface

A flat surface is vital to ensuring the frame is built as square as possible. Take the flattest surface you have available. A granite surface plate is recommended, however this can be a luxury item to infrequent builders. An off-cut of granite countertop can suffice in most instances.

If this is not available to you, glass can also be a good substitute.

Most importantly, take your time with frame assembly. Spending time here will reduce inaccuracies later.



First Blind Joint

A reminder, this step uses the blind joint. Turn to page 8 if you require a refresher at any point during the rest of the frame assembly.

Roughly check your work with a machinist's square as you continue.

