

Customized Planters Built To Fit Your Farm Or Garden

Whether you plant in rows or beds, you can get a planter customized to your farm's needs from Sutton Ag Enterprises located in the heart of specialty ag country in California. Sutton makes commercial seeders of every size as well as doing custom fabrication.

"Every grower tries to do something different, and we meet their needs," says Joseph Sutton. "Other companies supply the metering units, but we build the planter."

Sutton Ag can build the planter to fit any bed, whether it is 3 in. wide or 80 in. Planters can be single or multiple.

Sutton also offers a custom-made Stacker Bar. Planter units are held in an upright position in a transport width of less than 14 ft. Even the widest part of the planter is raised well over most roadside obstacles.

The Stacker Bar can be used with a variety of seed planters including Stanhay belt and vacuum planters, Sutton Seeder, Seed Spider and Gasparido. It also can be modified with catwalks, railings and more.

Sutton does make their own planter units for large and small seed crops. They come in 1, 2, 3 or 4-row models mounted on a push

planter or mounted on a toolbar. The metering unit is driven by a chain drive on the front wheel of the planter. Different combinations of the 5 sprockets provided for use with the chain drive allow seed spacing from 3/4 in. to 10 in. Exact spacing also depends on which seed wheel is used.

Sutton says their Clean Seeders feature an exclusive chromium shoe. Both more durable and longer lasting than other shoes, it also opens a very narrow trough, allowing seeds to be planted at an accurate depth in a very straight line. Wider standard shoes are also available along with a wide variety of accessories.

Clean Seeder units for toolbar mounting are priced at \$936. Prices for push bar Clean Seeders start at \$394 for a single line seeder. Prices for the Stacker Bar vary depending on the planting units and size.

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Sutton Ag Enterprises offers custom-made stacker bars that can be used with a variety of planters. Transport width is less than 14 ft.



The company makes commercial seeders of every size including this 4-row push seeder (left) and 2-row toolbar model.



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Low-Priced Vinyl Cab For Skid Steer Loaders

We spotted this new see-through vinyl cab enclosure for skid loaders at the recent Ohio Farm Science Review show.

"It keeps you cozy in winter and looks nice. It's priced right too," says Josh Rohm, Loader Parts Source, Elkhart, Ind. "Customers tell us that our cab enclosures are easy to install, user-friendly and very quiet inside."

The cab enclosure consists of clear vinyl windows on all sides with a hinged door. Depending on the skid loader model, the enclosure may also have a solid vinyl roof. The enclosure fits onto the existing cab frame with Velcro and bungee cords. The door comes with hinges that fit existing holes on the skid loader frame. "For most models, the entire kit takes just 15 to 20 min. to install," says Rohm.

The enclosures are designed to fit late model skid loaders made by Bobcat, Deere, New Holland, Mustang, and Gehl. The company plans to add more models soon. The enclosure sells for \$279.95 plus S&H. Replacement doors sell for \$134.95 plus S&H.



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Loader Parts Source sells a wide variety of parts for skid loaders, everything from hydraulic pumps and drive motors to undercarriage parts, starters, engines, alternators, seals, bearings, and radiators. The company claims savings of 25 to 50 percent off OEM dealer pricing.

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3-Wheelers Converted To Fat-Tire Dirt Bike

Brent Seline of Fallon, Nevada recently sent FARM SHOW photos of an old Honda Big Red 3-wheeler he turned into a fat-tire dirt bike.

"After seeing a couple of other 3-wheeler to 2-wheeler conversions, I took what I considered to be the best approach and turned a couple of 1980's Honda Big Reds into a nice running, fat-tire bike," says Seline. "I purchased the two 'basket case' 3-wheelers for a couple hundred dollars and figured a dirt bike conversion would be the best use for them. The bike handles great and is easy and fun to ride in the soft sand around our desert area."

He stripped one of the 3-wheelers, an ATC 200E, down to the frame and removed the engine, then fabricated a swing arm mount. After removing the 3-wheeler's rear axle and mount from the frame, he installed the swing arm and twin shocks from a 1987 Yamaha

BW200 dirt bike. The swing arm incorporates a jackshaft to keep the chain clear of the bike's wide rear tire. He also mounted a no. 520 sprocket inside the jackshaft that matches a sprocket already on the Honda engine.

The bike's front forks and triple tree came off the other Big Red, a narrower ATC 200S. Seline lengthened the forks several inches to get a proper stance and better handling. He kept the 3-wheeler's stock muffler and exhaust after lengthening the pipe and re-fitting it. He also installed a new carburetor and several smaller components to complete the build.

"The bike still has the 3-wheeler's original Hi-Low transmission and electric start. I repainted the gas tank and recovered the seat," notes Seline.

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