

# Quick Training Guide **Pool Tables**

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### ABOUT CALIFORNIA HOUSE

Founded in 1953, California House is a third generation, family run business that has become the premier manufacturer of made-to-order game room furniture in the United States. Our focus is on designing and building high quality, solid-hardwood furniture for rooms where families, friends, and colleagues come together to have fun.

All California House products are designed and manufactured in our small workshop located in Sacramento, California. Each piece is available in a wide selection of woods, finishes, fabrics, cloth colors, leathers, and options to allow you to create memorable entertainment spaces that match the style and décor of your space. When you order a product from California House, it is not pre-made sitting on a shelf, but rather in raw lumber ensuring a custom creation that is uniquely yours.

You will find our furniture, all crafted with premium materials and solid hardwood construction, offers well thought out scale, design, and details unmatched by any other brand.

As specialists in game room furniture, California House offers an exquisite range of products to elevate your entertainment spaces:

- **Pool Tables**: Masterfully crafted for the ultimate gaming experience.
- Game (Poker) Tables: Designed for those memorable game nights.
- Shuffleboard Tables: Combining fun and elegance without taking up too much room space.
- High-Top Pub Tables: Perfect for casual gatherings.
- Gaming & Dining Chairs: Blending comfort with style.
- Counter & Bar Stools: The perfect finishing touch for your game room.

### WHEN INTRODUCING CALIFORNIA HOUSE TO A CUSTOMER

When first introducing a customer to the California House brand, it helps to establish the notion of our history and expertise.

- California House is a 71-year-old family owned and operated business TRUST
- California House specializes in customizable game room furniture EXPERT
- California House is at the forefront of product design and engineering LEADER
- California House offers the widest variety of styles, finishes, fabrics, and options in the game room marketplace – SELECTION
- California House uses solid hardwood, wood-to-wood construction, and other premium materials throughout
  the line QUALITY

# **POOL TABLES (are awesome!)**

#### Here are some of the reasons why we love them so much

- **Social Interaction**: Pool tables are great for social gatherings. They provide a focal point for parties and get-togethers, encouraging guests to interact and have fun.
- Entertainment: Playing pool is an enjoyable game that can provide hours of entertainment in the comfort of your home or out on the town with friends. It is also a game that both kids and adults can enjoy, making it versatile for family fun.
- **Skill Development**: Playing pool improves hand-eye coordination, strategic thinking, and precision. It is a game that can be learned relatively quickly but takes time to master, keeping players engaged.
- Home Aesthetics: A well-chosen California House pool table can be a stylish addition to a home's decor.
   We offer several designs, finishes, and cloth colors to match your style and when your guests see a pool table, they know they are going to have fun.
- Educational Value: Pool can teach geometry and physics concepts, especially to younger players. Understanding angles, force, and spin can be an engaging way to introduce these subjects.
- **Customization and Personalization**: You can customize your California House tables with unique designs, finishes, and cloth colors, adding a personal touch to your game room.
- **Competitive Fun**: Pool allows for friendly competition, whether it is a casual game or a more serious match, providing a fun way to challenge friends and family.

Overall, a pool table can enhance a home or business by providing a fun and interactive way to bring people together, develop skills, and put a smile on guest's faces while enjoying leisure time with friends and family.

# THE PRIMARY FACTORS IN CHOOSING THE RIGHT TABLE:

You will need to make a few decisions when ordering the correct California House table for your project.

**Size.** There are two considerations when it comes to size – room size and playability. When selecting your pool table, the first step is ensuring the table fits comfortably in your room. You will need enough space around the table so that the cue does not bump into the walls when making a shot from the rail. Our handy measurements (on the next page) provide the minimum dimensions needed, including options for different cue sizes.

Next up, consider the table's purpose and who will be playing. If you're aspiring to go pro, a 9-foot table, the size used in professional tournaments, is your best bet. For those looking to enjoy casual games with friends and family, the 8-foot table is the most popular residential choice. And if you are planning to play with younger children, a 7-foot table is ideal, making the game more accessible and fun. In fact, most bar tables are 7-footers, perfect for faster games and more turns. In short, the bigger the table, the more challenging the game.

On the next page is a room size chart showing the minimum dimensions required for each size table. Note that if you are tight on space and would really like a pool table, there are different length cues available that can make small spaces more usable.

TABLE SIZE	36" Cue	42" Cue	48" Cue	52" Cue	58" Cue	60" Cue
<b>7'</b> (39"x78") Play Area	9'3" x 12'6"	10'3" x 13'6"	11'3" x 14'6"	11'11" x 15'12"	12'11" x 16'2"	13'3" x 16'6"
<b>8'</b> (44"x88") Play Area	9'8" x 12'6"	10'8" x 14'4"	11'8" x 15'4"	12'4" x 16'	13'4" x 17'	13'8" x 17'4"
<b>Pro 8'</b> (46"x92") Play Area	9'10" x 13'8"	10'10" x 14'8"	11'10" x 15'8"	12'6" x 16'4"	13'6" x 17'4"	13'10" x 17'8"
<b>9'</b> (50"x100") Play Area	10'2" x 14'4"	11'2" x 15'4"	12'2" x 16'4"	12'10" x 17'	13'10" x 18'	14'2" x 18'4"
					PLAYPACK CUE LENGTH	

**Style.** The next thing to consider is the style of the table. California House currently offers 13 collections (or designs) of tables, within a spectrum of soft traditional, transitional, and modern. Our main goal is to design tables that will compliment a wide range of room styles. Below is our offering, each customizable size, finish, and cloth color.



**Finish & Cloth Color.** After selecting your table size and style, we recommend you choose your wood finish and cloth color at the same time so they coordinate with one another. We offer several wood finishes (and can even custom finish match if needed), and 20 standard cloth colors.

Those three things - size, style, and finish / cloth color - are all you need to select your table.

# CONSTRUCTION:

All California House tables are made from solid kiln-dried hardwood throughout and feature a "chassis" construction, like a race car, where pieces are bolted to a central, solid, pre-assembled structure. We do not use a "Uni-Body" construction, where pieces are bolted to a constructed box.

Our chassis is a solid hardwood assembly of 8/4" thick vertical beams and rails that have been mortise & tenoned and corner blocked together, then precision leveled for massive strength. The base (or leg) is then bolted through this chassis structure. This chassis construction is a "Slate to Floor" construction, meaning the playing surface (slate) is directly supported by the legs touching the ground.



Another advantage of this type of construction, other than the massive strength, is ease of assembly. With all major components pre-assembled and blend sanded at the factory, it minimizes the number of small parts and brackets that need to be screwed or fastened together during installation.

Other items of note:

- California House tables use 1" thick, diamond honed and backed 3-piece slate.
- Premium K66 profile cushions for fast and accurate play.
- Proprietary, handstitched, 100% vegetable tanned molded leather pockets with rivet reinforcements and a black walnut dowel in the bottom of the pocket for a satisfying "click" sound when the ball drops.
- Diamond pearlized sights standard.

Closer look at California House handmade leather pockets:



### INSTALLATION:

Pool tables require professional installation. Precision leveling, seaming the 3-piece slate, and covering the bed and rails with cloth are not something to be attempted by the average homeowner.

Our Authorized California House Dealer network can take care of all final deliveries and installations, or, if you are purchasing through an Interior Design professional or Hospitality customer, you can work directly through your designer or call us to help you find the right install crew. We are more than happy to help.

If you have a particularly tight installation requirement (going down a 90 degree staircase, up a freight elevator, etc.), please let us know. We offer knock-down (KD) versions of our chassis, which means the chassis can be shipped in pieces and assembled in your location. This is not a standard feature as we typically pre-assemble, glue, and level the chassis here at the factory.

Another factor to consider is lighting. We always recommend you have your lighting installed PRIOR to pool table installation. That way, your installer can assemble your table directly underneath your light. If the table is in place before lighting, your electrician may need to work in the area directly above the table and we do not recommend standing or placing ladders on your table as it may crack the slate seams.