Workbench Walls, version 1.1

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Have you ever needed to prevent a part from turning while you deburred a hole, drilled a hole, or tapped a hole? Sure you can put it in a vise but at times like this I often just want a quick solution. If I had a third hand, that would be great.

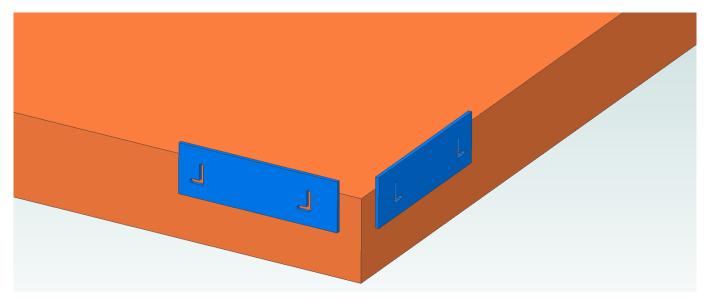
I used to put the part near one of my vise feet and let it turn until the foot came in contact with the part. This stopped further rotation but was not always an easy place to work.

A few years ago I added these two pieces of U channel. Nothing fancy

here and certainly not an original idea. It is just a pocket to prevent rotation of small parts.

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I don't find these little walls getting in my way but if that is a problem for you, make two plates that can slide up which mount to the sides of the bench. When not in use, they would fall below the bench top.

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