Volume of Coffer (or Ark) $=\mathrm{W} \times \mathrm{L} \times \mathrm{H}=$ $77.80139 \times 26.70502 \times 34.29292=$ 71249.977257 or very nearly 71,250 Cubic Inches


These numbers are truncated, so the value falls short of the ideal...


Coffer


Volume of Ark is $2.5 \times 1.5 \times 1.5$ Cubits $=$ 5.625 Cubic Cubits

But what is the relationship between the inch and the cubit? If the interior volumes of the Coffer and Ark are equal, then the ratio of the cube roots of these volume measurements will give the scale factor.
$\sqrt[3]{71,250} / \sqrt[3]{5.625}$
$=41.456721709248 / 1.778446652245$
$=23.3106355239362272$ inches per cubit
However, the dimensions of the Ark are probably exterior measures, not interior. Since the interior volume is necessarily smaller than the exterior volume, a thickness of the materials that formed the Ark must be assumed....

A smaller interior volume for the Ark than 5.625 Cubic Cubits will require that the Cubit be longer than the 23.3 inches derived above.
If we assume the Cubit was 25 inches long, the thickness of the walls and bottom of the Ark can be estimated....
Cube root of Coffer's Volume / $25=$ Cube Root of Ark's Interior Volume $41.4567 / 25=1.6582688669996$
$1.6582688669996^{3}=4.56$ Cubic Cubits
for the interior of the Ark.
Assume that 0.075 Cubits ( 1.875 inches) is a suitable wall thickness for the Ark's four sides.
The thickenss of the base would then be
$.06265+$ Cubits or $1.56625+$ inches.
The interior dimensions (in Cubits) would be:
$1.35 \mathrm{~W} \times 2.35 \mathrm{~L} \times 1.43735224586288416+\mathrm{H}$
or (in inches):
$33.75 \mathrm{~W} \times 58.75 \mathrm{~L} \times 35.9338061465721 \mathrm{H}$ (nearly one yard)
The interior volume is thus 71,250 Cubic Inches -
Equal to that of the Coffer in the Great Pyramid.
The Exterior dimensions of the Ark,
with a 25 inch cubit is:
$37.5 \mathrm{~W} \times 62.6 \mathrm{~L} \times 37.5 \mathrm{H}$
Ark


| W (pyr. In) | L (pyr. In) | H (pyr. In) | Volume |  | w (Cubits) | Length (Cubits) | Height (Cubits) | Volume | Reference |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 37.5 | 62.5 | 37.5 | 87890.625 | Exterior Measurements of the Tabernacle's Coffer | 1.5 | 2.5 | 1.5 | 5.625 | Exodus 25:10 |
| 26.7050242 | 77.801397 | 34.2929256 | 71250.00651 | Interior Measurements of the Coffer | 1.068200968 | 3.11205588 | 1.371717024 | 4.560000417 | GPP 3: 102 |
| 41.45672297 | Cube root of Coffer's Volume in Pyramid Inches. This equals the length of the edges of a cube which will have the same volume as the Coffer |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1.778446652 | Cube root of Ark's Volume in Cubits. This equals the length of the edges of a cube which will have the same volume as the Ark's exterior |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 23.31063623 | Inches per cubit if were were to compare the Exterior of the Arc to the Interior of the Coffer! |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | If we assume that the Cubit was 25 inches long in the Tabernacle and the capacities of the Coffer and Ark were the same, We can compute as follows The cube root of the Coffer's Volume (in inches) divided by 25 would equal the Cube Root of the Ark's Interior Volume |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

Cube Root of the
$\begin{array}{llll}41.45672171 & 25 & 1.658268868 & \text { Cube root of the Ark's Interior Volume } \\ 1.658268868 & \text {... Cubed is equal to... } & 4.56 & 4.56 \text { Cubic Cubits is the Volume of the Ark of the Covenant. }\end{array}$

Since we are comparing the INTERIOR of the two objects, the thickness of the walls and floor of the Ark must be determined.
We don't have a specification for the thickness of the boards in the Scriptures, therefore these must be assumed.

Location of numbers:
Column A, below
4.56/Column E, below

Height of the Ark minus Column F, below

Mathematical Functions being computed for this Column
We must first assume thickness of the walls of the Ark, then the thickness of the bottom of the Ark. This computation assumes that the Bottom board of the Ark is surrounded by the four boards that form the Sides of the Ark. The Interior Volume divided by the interior Surface area will equal the height of the interior of the Ark.
From this we can derive the thickness of the bottom board by subtracting the Interior Height (in cubits) from the Overall Height of the Ark ( 1.5 cubits). Then convert this to inches for simplicity.
Various test cases follow.

| Thickness of the side boards (Cubits) | Inches | Interior Width (cubits) | Interior Length (Cubits) | Interior surface area in Square Cubits | Interior Height (cubits) | Thckness of bottom (cubits) |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 0.075 | 1.875 | 1.350 | 2.350 | 3.173 | 1.437 | 0.063 | The number that was used for the model |  |
| 0.072122456179849600 | 1.803061404496240 | 1.355755087640300 | 2.355755087640300 | 3.193826945302860 | 1.427754382015040 | 0.072245617984964 | This will yield nearly equal thicknesses for all boards, but how would you measure them? |  |
| 0.070 | 1.750 | 1.360 | 2.360 | 3.210 | 1.421 | 0.079 | Thicker bottom |  |
| 0.060 | 1.500 | 1.380 | 2.380 | 3.284 | 1.388 | 0.112 | " |  |
| 0.050 | 1.250 | 1.400 | 2.400 | 3.360 | 1.357 | 0.143 | " |  |
| 0.040 | 1.000 | 1.420 | 2.420 | 3.436 | 1.327 | 0.173 | These would be very heavy boards |  |
| 0.030 | 0.750 | 1.440 | 2.440 | 3.514 | 1.298 | 0.202 | These would be very heavy boards |  |
| 0.020 | 0.500 | 1.460 | 2.460 | 3.592 | 1.270 | 0.230 | These would be very heavy boards |  |
| 0.080 | 2.000 | 1.340 | 2.340 | 3.136 | 1.454 | 0.046 | Thinner Bottom |  |
| 0.090 | 2.250 | 1.320 | 2.320 | 3.062 | 1.489 | 0.011 | " | Probably too thin! |
| 0.100 | 2.500 | 1.300 | 2.300 | 2.990 | 1.525 | -0.025 | " | Negative Thickness |

Here, for convenience, the measurements in the table above are all in Inches (except the 2nd column.)

| Thickness of the side boards (inches) | (Cubits) | Interior Width (Inches) | Interior Length (inches) | Interior surface area in Square Inches | Interior Height (Inches) | Thickness of Bottom (Inches) |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1.875 | 0.075 | 33.750 | 58.750 | 1982.813 | 35.934 | 1.566 | The number that was used for the model |  |
| 1.803061404496240000 | 0.0721224561798 | 33.8938771910075 | 58.8938771910075 | 1996.1418408142900 | 35.6938595503759 | 1.80614044962409 | This will yield nearly equal thicknesses for all boards, but how would you measure it? |  |
| 1.750 | 0.070 | 34.000 | 59.000 | 2006.000 | 35.518 | 1.982 | Thicker bottom |  |
| 1.500 | 0.060 | 34.500 | 59.500 | 2052.750 | 34.710 | 2.790 | " |  |
| 1.250 | 0.050 | 35.000 | 60.000 | 2100.000 | 33.929 | 3.571 | " |  |
| 1.000 | 0.040 | 35.500 | 60.500 | 2147.750 | 33.174 | 4.326 | These would be very heavy boards |  |
| 0.750 | 0.030 | 36.000 | 61.000 | 2196.000 | 32.445 | 5.055 | These would be very heavy boards |  |
| 0.500 | 0.020 | 36.500 | 61.500 | 2244.750 | 31.741 | 5.759 | These would be very heavy boards |  |
| 2.000 | 0.080 | 33.500 | 58.500 | 1959.750 | 36.357 | 1.143 | Thinner Bottom |  |
| 2.250 | 0.090 | 33.000 | 58.000 | 1914.000 | 37.226 | 0.274 | " | Probably too thin! |
| 2.500 | 0.100 | 32.500 | 57.500 | 1868.750 | 38.127 | -0.627 | " | Negative Thickness |

