



Rope trick



You will need:

- Terracotta pot
- Bucket and cloth
- Terracotta sealer
- Exterior PVA Glue
- Roll of thick garden string
- Pin
- Scissors
- Resene Multishield+ (flat)
- Paintbrush

Mark Rayner pulls some strings and creates a crafty container.

To get the look

Mark planted the pot with a Burro's tail (*Sedum morganianum*) and painted the background wall in Resene Havoc.



1 USING a bucket of warm soapy water and a cloth, clean the terracotta pot thoroughly. Allow to dry.



2 FOLLOWING manufacturer's instructions, seal the inside and upper rim of the pot with terracotta sealer. Allow to dry.



3 APPLY a generous amount of PVA glue under the rim and wrap the string tightly around the pot, as shown.



4 TURN the pot upside down and continue to wrap the string around the pot using plenty of PVA glue to keep it stuck down.



5 CONTINUE to wrap the string around the pot until you reach the base of the pot.



6 USE the scissors to cut the string and hold in position with a pin, as shown. Leave to dry overnight.



7 USE the scissors to trim off any loose fibres.



8 COAT the outside, upper and inner rim of the pot with two coats of Resene Multishield+ (flat). Allow to dry thoroughly.