

★★★ Difficulty level ★ easy ★★ moderate ★★★ challenging

Ways with wood
with Mark Rayner – 84

You will need:

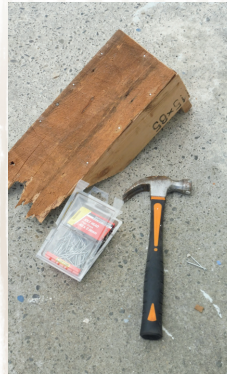
- 115mm x 20mm timber cut to the following sizes:
 - 200mm (x1) – floor
 - 180mm (x1) – front wall
 - 310mm sloping to 200mm (x2) – side walls
- 10mm thick timber cut to the following sizes:
 - 160mm x 400mm (back wall)
 - 230mm x 240mm (roof)
- 40mm galvanised nails
- 40mm and 100mm hole cutting attachments
- Drill with 10mm drill bit
- Hammer
- Paintbrush
- Pencil
- Resene Waterborne Woodsman testpots of Resene Silvered Grey, Resene Skywalker and Resene Pickled Bluewood
- Sandpaper
- Saw
- Tape measure



Step 1
Measure, mark and cut the pieces of timber to the dimensions listed above and smooth any rough edges with sandpaper.



Step 2
Fix the two side walls, floor and front wall together, as shown, using 40mm nails.



Step 3
Fix the back wall into position using 40mm nails.



Step 4
Fix the roof into position using 40mm nails.



Step 5
Drill a 100mm hole in the back of the bird house (for maintenance access) and a 40mm entrance hole in the front wall. Drill two 10mm hanging holes in the top of the back wall, as shown.



Step 6
Apply two coats of Resene Silvered Grey to the walls of the bird house, allowing two hours for each coat to dry.



Step 7
Apply two coats of Resene Pickled Bluewood to the floor of the bird house, allowing two hours for each coat to dry.



Step 8
Apply two coats of Resene Skywalker to the roof of the bird house, allowing two hours for each coat to dry.



To get the look:
Mark painted the background shed wall with Resene Lumbersider tinted to Resene Soft Apple.



Other ideas:
The bird house could also be painted with a selection of Resene testpot colours – just ensure you prime it first with Resene Quick Dry.

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