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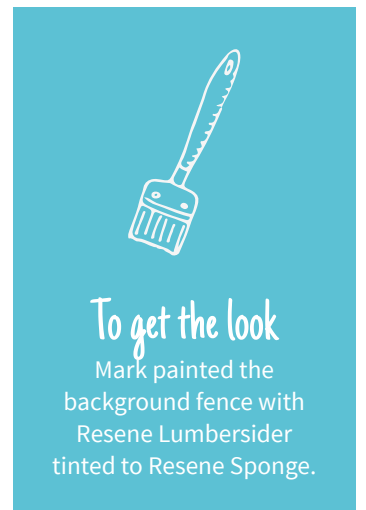
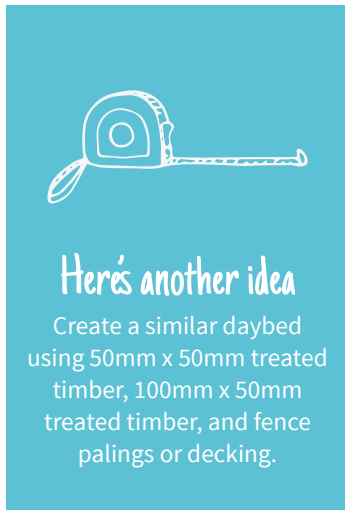
# RECYCLED DAYBED

Go green over the holiday period with this fabulous daybed made entirely from recycled native timber.

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## You will need

- The following lengths of recycled native timber:
  - » 135mm x 20mm x 1910mm tongue and groove (x 8)
  - » 55mm x 40mm x 1900mm (x 2)
  - » 55mm x 40mm x 900mm (x 4)
  - » 55mm x 40mm x 800mm (x 3)
  - » 100mm x 50mm x 450mm (x 6)
  - » 50mm x 10mm x 2000mm straight edge (an offcut of leftover timber was used here)
- 50mm exterior screws
- 90mm exterior screws
- 2 x clamps
- Clean cloth
- Cordless drill with 3mm drill bit
- Electric circular saw
- Electric drop saw
- Electric sander
- Paintbrush
- Pencil
- Resene Furniture and Decking Oil
- Resene Mineral Turpentine
- Resene Paint Pot
- Sandpaper
- Set square
- Tape measure



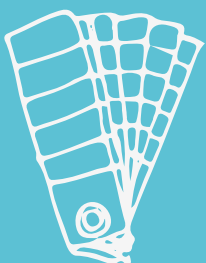
### Here's another idea

Create a similar daybed using 50mm x 50mm treated timber, 100mm x 50mm treated timber, and fence palings or decking.



### To get the look

Mark painted the background fence with Resene Lumbersider tinted to Resene Sponge.



#### STEP ONE

Measure, mark and cut the 55mm x 40mm timber to the lengths listed above and smooth any rough edges with sandpaper.

#### STEP TWO

Measure, mark and cut the 100mm x 50mm timber to the lengths listed above and smooth any rough edges with sandpaper.

#### STEP THREE

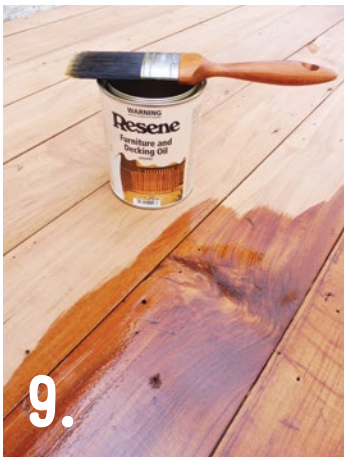
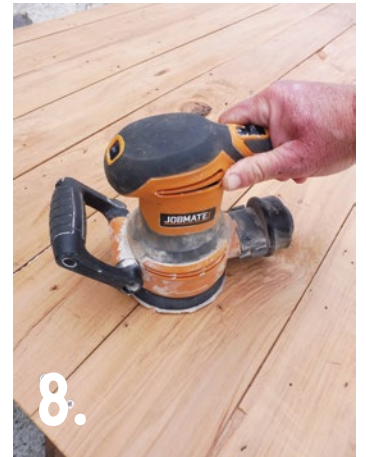
Assemble the two 1900mm lengths of timber and the four 900mm lengths of timber to form a rectangular frame, as shown. Fix securely with 90mm screws, drilling pilot holes first, and use a set square to ensure the joints are all at 90 degrees.

#### STEP FOUR

Clamp one of the 450mm lengths of timber into position, as shown, to form the first leg. Use the set square to ensure it's at 90 degrees in both directions and fix with 90mm screws, drilling pilot holes first. Repeat with the other five legs.



**Top tip**  
If using untreated timber, avoid placing the daybed directly on to soil as this will cause the base of the legs to rot.



**Handy hint**  
To keep your daybed looking great and well protected, apply an annual coat of Resene Furniture and Decking Oil each spring.



**STEP FIVE**

Fit one of the 800mm lengths of timber into position, as shown, to form a support brace between two of the legs – this should be 150mm up from the bottom of each leg. Fix securely in position with 90mm screws, drilling pilot holes first. Repeat with the other two 800mm lengths of timber.

**STEP SIX**

Turn the frame the right way up and fix the first length of tongue and groove into position using 50mm screws, overhanging the edge by approximately 35mm. Once again, drill pilot holes first. In the same way, continue fixing the remaining lengths of tongue and groove into position.

**STEP SEVEN**

Clamp both ends of the straight edge to the top of the daybed, as shown, and trim off approximately 35mm of excess tongue and groove, leaving a 5mm overhang. Repeat with the opposite side.

**STEP EIGHT**

Sand the entire daybed to smooth any rough surfaces, edges and sharp corners, and then wipe off any sanding residue with a clean cloth.

**STEP NINE**

Apply two coats of Resene Furniture and Decking Oil to all surfaces of the daybed, allowing 24 hours for each coat to dry.

**STEP TEN**

Clean the brush with Resene Mineral Turpentine.

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