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Ways with wood,
with Mark Rayner – 1

Turn a plain kitset shed into a chic grey workshop with the help of Resene Woodsman penetrating oil stain.

You will need:

- Concrete or H4 treated timber piles (check with shed manufacturer's recommendations)
- Large timber kitset shed (ours measured 2.4m x 4m with additional decking)
- Paintbrushes
- Tools for constructing shed (check with manufacturer's instructions)
- Rapidset concrete (approx 1 bag for every 4 piles)
- Resene Lumbersider tinted to Resene Heather (doors)
- Resene Quick Dry waterborne primer undercoat
- Resene Waterborne Woodsman penetrating oil stain tinted to Resene Smokey Ash (walls)
- Resene Woodsman penetrating oil stain tinted to Resene Cedar (decking)
- Small spade for digging piles



Step one

Sink piles according to the shed manufacturer's recommendations (or construct shed on a poured concrete base). We used 32 for this model, spaced 800mm and 600mm apart, as shown, sunk to a depth of 400mm into rapidset concrete. Construct sub-floor base on top of the level piles, as shown.



Step two

Erect and fix wall panels according to the manufacturer's instructions, sealing along all joints with silicon. Fix roof gables, as shown.



Step three

Sink two rows of five evenly spaced piles along the front of the shed and fix base for decking – again, follow the manufacturer's recommendations for this.



Step four

Fix decking to base using galvanised decking nails as supplied by the manufacturer. Fix roofing sheets following the manufacturer's instructions, lay flooring and hang doors.



Step five

Mix one part Resene Moss & Mould Killer to five parts clean water and apply generously to the decking with a garden sprayer. Leave for 48 hours and rinse off with clean water.



Step six

Apply one coat of Resene Waterborne Woodsman tinted to Resene Smokey Ash to the exterior walls.



Step seven

Apply one coat of Resene Woodsman tinted to Resene Cedar to the decking. Wait 24 hours and apply second coats to the walls and decking. Allow to dry.



Step eight

Apply one coat of Resene Quick Dry. Once dry, apply two coats of Resene Heather to the doors, allowing two hours to dry between coats. (If doors have been previously painted, check with your local Resene ColorShop for advice).



To get the look:

Paint the roof in Resene Karaka or opt for a COLORSTEEL® roof in Karaka Green – this choice was available from the shed manufacturer.



Other ideas:

Try hotter colours from the Resene Woodsman range - combine Resene Bamboo (walls) with Resene Embers (decking) and finish off doors with a contrasting Resene Lumbersider tinted to Resene Nero.

For more ideas and inspiration visit your local Resene ColorShop or the Resene website.