

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

Ways with wood,
with Mark Rayner – 19

You will need:

- 100mm galvanised nails
- 300mm x 50mm treated timber cut to the following lengths:
 - 2 x 400mm (legs)
 - 1 x 800mm (underneath support)
 - 1 x 1000mm (seat)
- Clean lint-free cloth
- Exterior PVA glue
- Hammer
- Latex gloves
- Resene Timber and Furniture Gel in Resene Sheer Black
- Sandpaper
- Saw



Step one
Cut the timber to the dimensions as listed above.



Step two
Smooth any rough edges with sandpaper.



Step three
Position three nails along the centre of each of the leg pieces, as shown.



Step four
Assembling the bench upside down on a flat surface, fix the legs to the underneath support using nails and PVA glue.



Step five
Position eight nails along the seat, as shown.



Step six
Turn the bench the right way up and apply a line of PVA glue along the tops of the legs and underneath support.



Step seven
Place the seat in position and hammer through the nails, fixing to the underneath support and legs.



Step eight
Apply Resene Timber and Furniture Gel to the bench using a clean lint-free cloth. Lightly rub the gel along the timber grain using medium pressure to help penetration. Allow to dry for one hour and apply a second coat.

It's easy to create a stylish wooden bench using reclaimed wood and Resene Timber and Furniture Gel.



To get the look:

Mark painted the background wall with Resene Lumbersider tinted to Resene Oyster Bay, the window frames and door with Resene Cutty Sark and the windowsill with Resene Bondi Blue.



Other ideas:

For a paler look try Resene Timber and Furniture Gel tinted to Resene Silvered Grey.

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