Resene

Painted raised bed

★★☆ **Difficulty level** ★easy ★★moderate ★★★challenging

Weekend DIY with Mark Rayner – 69

You will need:

- 90mm exterior screws
- Existing raised bed
- Screwdriver
- Spirit level
- Paintbrushes
- Potted colour (we used pink begonias)
- Potting mix
- Resene Lumbersider tinted to Resene Paddock
- Resene Quick Dry
- Set square
- Tongue and groove landscaping timber cut to the following lengths:
  – 1200mm (x1)
  – 800mm (x2)

Step 1
Place one 800mm length of timber against the existing raised bed, as shown.

Step 2
Fix into position using 90mm screws.

Step 3
Place the 1200mm length of timber into position, as shown, and use the spirit level to ensure that it's level. Check that the corner is at ninety degrees using the set square and then fix to the first length of timber with 90mm screws.

Step 4
Place the second 800mm length of timber into position, as shown. Once again use the spirit level to ensure that it's level and check that the corner is at ninety degrees using the set square. Fix into place with 90mm screws.

Step 5
Apply one coat of Resene Quick Dry to the raised bed and allow to dry.

Step 6
Apply two coats of Resene Lumbersider tinted to Resene Paddock to the raised bed allowing two hours for each coat to dry.

Step 7
Fill the raised bed with potting mix, as shown.

Step 8
Plant up the raised bed with potted colour and then water well.

Add interest to a corner of the garden with this simple painted raised bed.

To get the look: Mark painted the plant pots with Resene Lumbersider tinted to Resene Peace.

Other ideas: For a darker green look paint the raised bed with Resene Lumbersider tinted to Resene Parsley.

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