

Tango with

terracotta

Mark Rayner shows how to add a tropical touch to your deck or patio with this stylish pot.

You will need:

- Bucket of warm soapy water and sponge
- Large terracotta pot
- Resene Lumbersider tinted to Resene Monza
- Resene Terracotta Sealer
- Resene testpots in the following colours:
- Resene Camarone, Resene San Felix and Resene Ventura
- Paintbrushes (including artists' brushes)
- Tamarillo 'Tango'
- Good quality potting mix
- Pebble mulch



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Thoroughly wash the pot in warm soapy water, rinse with clean water and allow to dry.



Apply one coat of Resene Terracotta Sealer to the inside and outside of the pot. Allow to dry for at least six hours.



Apply two coats of Resene Monza to the outside and inner rim of the pot, as shown, allowing two hours for each coat to dry.



With a large artists' brush and Resene Camarone, paint three large leaf shapes across the pot front, as shown. Allow two hours to dry, then apply a second coat.



Using a smaller artists' brush and Resene Ventura, paint in the veins of each leaf, as shown. Allow to dry for two hours.



Paint in alternating veins using Resene San Felix. Again, allow two hours for the paint to dry.



Plant up the pot with a 'Tango' tamarillo using good quality potting mix and water well.



Finish off with a layer of pebble mulch.

Other ideas:

To give your pot a shiny look, apply two coats of Resene Multishield+ gloss to the outside, allowing two hours for each coat to dry.