

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

Ways with wood
with Mark Rayner – 54

You will need:

- 150mm x 25mm fence palings cut to the following lengths:
 - 600mm (x 4)
 - 550mm (x 4)
 - 620mm (x 4)
- 100mm x 100mm fence post cut to four lengths measuring 320mm
- 60mm treated pine screws
- Circular saw
- Sandpaper
- Screwdriver
- Set square
- Paintbrush
- Paint stirrer
- Pencil
- Resene mineral turpentine
- Resene Woodsman Wood Oil stain tinted to Resene Grey Green
- Resene paint pot
- Tape measure



Step one

Measure and mark the fence post and the palings to the lengths as listed above. Use a set square or the back of a hand saw to ensure cutting lines are at right angles.



Step two

Using the pencil lines as a guide, cut the fence post and palings. If the blade of the saw won't go through the full thickness of the post, simply make a cut on one side, turn over and make a second cut across. Smooth any rough edges with sandpaper.



Step three

Attach four of the 550mm lengths of fence paling to four of the lengths of fence post, as shown, to create the side walls of the coffee table. Fix with 60mm screws.



Step four

Attach four 600mm lengths of fence paling to create the front and back walls of the coffee table, as shown. Fix with 60mm screws. Use a set square to ensure corners are at right angles.



Step five

Attach the four 620mm lengths of fence paling, as shown, to create the top of the coffee table. Overlap at each edge by 10mm and fix with 60mm screws.



Step six

Carefully stir the Resene Woodsman with a paint stirrer.



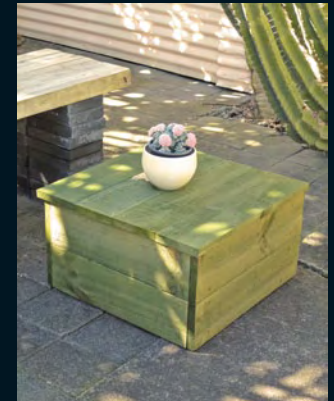
Step seven

Apply two coats of Resene Woodsman to the coffee table allowing 24 hours for each coat to dry.



Step eight

Wash out the brush with Resene mineral turpentine.



To get the look:

Mark painted the background fence with Resene Lumbersider tinted to Resene Rich Cream.



Other ideas:

For a rich red/brown effect stain the table with Resene Woodsman tinted to Resene Cherrywood.

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