

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

Ways with wood  
with Mark Rayner – 33

### You will need:

- 20mm x 20mm timber garden stakes
- 40mm x 2mm galvanised jolt head nails
- Hammer
- Paintbrush
- Pencil
- PVA glue (exterior)
- Resene Waterborne Woodsman penetrating oil stain tinted to Resene Fern Frond
- Sandpaper
- Saw
- Set square
- Tape measure

Create this stylish plant support using a few garden stakes and Resene Waterborne Woodsman penetrating oil stain.



**Step one**  
Measure nine 600mm lengths and five 1200mm lengths from the 20mm x 20mm garden stakes.



**Step two**  
Mark a ninety degree saw line across the garden stakes, as shown, using the back of the saw as a guide.



**Step three**  
Cut the garden stakes using the pencil marks as a guide.



**Step four**  
Smooth any rough edges with sandpaper, as shown.



### To get the look:

Mark painted the background garden wall with Resene Lumbersider tinted to Resene Amulet.



**Step five**  
Stain the garden stakes with one coat of Resene Fern Frond and allow to dry for 24 hours. Apply a second coat and allow to dry.



**Step six**  
Attach two of the 600mm lengths to two of the 1200mm lengths to form a rectangle, fixing with 40mm nails and PVA glue. Use the set square to ensure the corners are at right angles.



**Step seven**  
Fix the centre horizontal cross piece, as shown, using PVA glue and nails.



**Step eight**  
Fix the remaining horizontal cross pieces, ensuring that they are equally spaced and fix the vertical pieces in the same way. Allow the glue to dry.



### Other ideas:

For a contrasting effect try Resene Waterborne Woodsman tinted to Resene Pitch Black against a background of Resene Alabaster.

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