

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

Ways with wood
with Mark Rayner – 43

Build this simple garden shelving unit and finish it off with Resene Woodsman Whitewash for a fresh, clean look.

You will need:

- 1.2m treated fence palings (x5)
- 50mm galvanised nails
- Hammer
- Paintbrush
- Paint stirrer
- Pencil
- PVA glue (exterior)
- Resene Woodsman Whitewash
- Sandpaper
- Saw
- Set square
- Tape measure



Step one

Using the tape measure, set square and pencil, mark three of the fence palings into three 400mm lengths and cut with the saw.



Step two

Smooth any rough edges with sandpaper.



Step three

Attach the cut lengths of timber into three 'U' shaped shelves, as shown, fixing with PVA glue and galvanised nails.



Step four

On a flat surface, stand the shelves on edge, as shown, and attach one of the uncut fence palings to form the side of the shelving unit. Fix with PVA glue and galvanised nails.



Step five

Turn the unit over and attach the remaining fence paling to form the second side, as shown. Fix with PVA glue and galvanised nails.



Step six

Stir the Resene Woodsman Whitewash thoroughly with a paint stirrer.



Step seven

Apply one coat of Resene Woodsman Whitewash to the shelving unit, allowing 24 hours to dry.



Step eight

Apply a second coat of Resene Woodsman Whitewash to the shelving unit, allowing 24 hours to dry.



To get the look:

Mark painted the background shed wall with Resene Lumbersider tinted to Resene Florentine Pink and the decking with Resene Waterborne Sidewalk tinted to Resene Tuscany.



Other ideas:

Build an indoor shelving unit from new timber and finish off with Resene Colorwood Whitewash.

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