

# Concrete plant pots

It's surprisingly easy to make your own bespoke containers.



## You will need

- 1 x bag of Ready Mix Concrete
- Large mixing bowl or bucket for concrete
- Plastic containers or bowls that fit into each other
- Sieve or similar
- Jug for water
- Cooking oil and kitchen towel
- Weights or stones
- Your choice of Resene paint finish (if required), and Resene Walk-On Concrete Clear in Clear Satin

## Tools

- Drill with masonry bit
- Flat paddle or stirring stick
- Sandpaper
- Paintbrushes

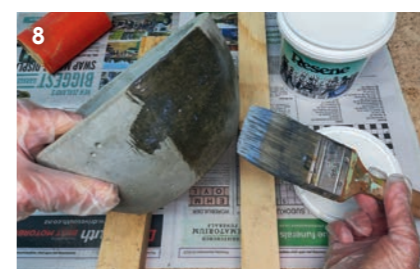
**Cost** \$45 including concrete, plastic bowls and masonry bit. This excludes Resene products. I used Resene Walk-On Concrete Clear in Clear Satin.

## Step 1

Sieve the ready mix concrete into a large mixing bowl, then prepare it according to the manufacturer's instructions, to the consistency of pancake batter.

## Step 2

Get two pots, with one that fits inside the other. Generously oil the inside of the larger pot and the outside of the smaller pot.



## Step 3

Fill the larger pot to over halfway with the concrete mix.

## Step 4

Put the smaller pot in to the mix (without it touching the bottom of the larger pot). Fill up the larger pot with more concrete, if necessary, until it reaches near the top of the pot. Tap around the larger pot with your hand to release any air bubbles.

## Step 5

On a flat surface, put the weights into the smaller pot and anchor down as

necessary. Allow to cure as per the manufacturer's instructions.

## Step 6

Once set, remove the weights and pull on the pots to release from the concrete. A gentle tap can help. Sand down any rough edges.

## Step 7

Drill a hole in the centre of the pot for drainage.

## Step 8

Coat the pot with Resene Walk-On Concrete Clear in Clear Satin. ■



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