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DIY OBELISK

Give your garden a designer look with this stylish obelisk, says Jane Wrigglesworth

BUILD IT UP

You need: • 16m x 75mm x 50mm H3.2 rough-sawn pine • 18m x 50mm x 25mm H3.2 rough-sawn pine • 10g x 100mm countersunk screws (pack 50) • 8g x 50mm countersunk screws (pack 100) • power saw • power drill • sandpaper or sander • clamp • woodfiller • 2 litres Resene Lumbersider 'Mantis' paint • paintbrush
Cost: \$101.75 (plus paint)

CUTTING MEASUREMENTS

From the 75mm x 50mm timber cut
• 4 x 1500mm lengths • 8 x 480mm lengths
• 12 x 330mm lengths • 4 x 50mm lengths
• 2 x 420mm lengths • 2 x 400mm lengths.
From the 50mm x 25mm timber cut • 12 x 1400mm lengths

- 1** Cut half lap joints on each 480mm length, cutting an indent the same width (75mm) and half the depth (25mm) of the pine.
- 2** Cut half lap joints on the ends of each 330mm length, cutting an indent 25mm x 25mm, as shown.
- 3** Using 50mm screws, join the 330mm lengths to make three square frames, as shown. There will be indents on each corner.
- 4** Join the 480mm lengths to form two more frames, as shown. These are the frames that sit near the top of the obelisk.
- 5** Fix the 1500mm lengths to the three frames, with one frame 120mm from the top, one frame in the middle, and the other frame 150mm from the bottom.
- 6** Using the 100mm screws, fix one of the 480mm long frames to the top of the obelisk, with one screw at each corner.
- 7** Place the 50mm blocks on top of the frame in line with the 1500mm lengths. Screw, then fix the second 480mm frame on top.
- 8** On all 420mm and 400mm lengths, cut angles of 50° on one end and 40° on the other. Screw to top of obelisk. Sand corners.
- 9** Fill any gaps with wood filler. Apply two coats of paint to the obelisk and to one side of the 1400mm lengths.
- 10** Screw the 1400mm lengths onto the obelisk, three per side. Finish painting.



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