



DIY Worzel Gummidge

Mark Rayner builds a scarecrow with movable limbs.

To get the look

Mark mounted the scarecrow on a metal fence post and dressed him in yellow and black PVC wet weather gear, for maximum year-round protection.

You will need:

- 25mm x 25mm wooden garden stake cut to the following:
 - 2 x 320mm (upper arms)
 - 2 x 330mm (lower arms)
 - 2 x 390mm (upper legs)
 - 2 x 490mm (lower legs)
- 25mm x 50mm wooden batten cut to the following:
 - 1 x 500mm (shoulders)
 - 1 x 500mm (hips)
 - 1 x 550mm (back)
- Offcuts of 17mm tanalised plywood
- 16 brass screw eyes
- 40mm galvanised nails
- PVA exterior wood glue
- Resene Quick Dry Primer Undercoat
- Resene Lumbersider in Resene Whiskey Sour,

- Resene Nero and Resene Colonial White
- Paintbrush
- Artist's brush
- 2 blue glass pebbles
- Clear exterior silicon
- Pliers
- Jigsaw
- Hammer



1 USING a jigsaw, cut a life-sized head, neck and upper chest from an offcut of tanalised plywood. Round off the corners of the "shoulders" section of wooden batten. With 40mm nails and wood glue, attach the "shoulders" batten and the "back" batten to the plywood head and chest, as shown.



2 ATTACH the "hips" batten to the base of the "back" batten with 40mm nails and wood glue. Lay out upper and lower arms.



3 ATTACH a screw eye to one end of the "upper arm" batten and another screw eye to the underside of the "shoulder" batten. Open one of the screw eyes with the pliers, link with the other screw eye and close, as pictured. Repeat with all other sections of arms and legs.



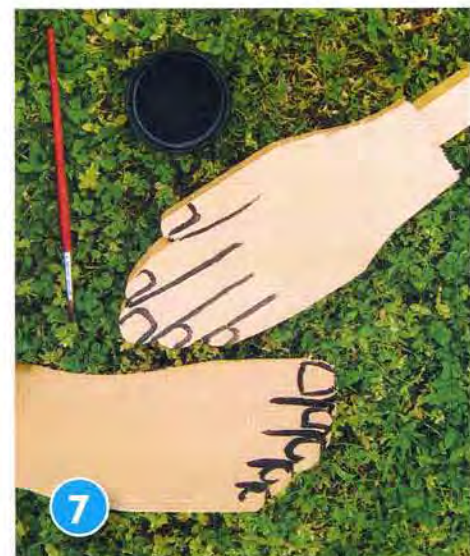
4 USING a jigsaw, cut out hand and foot shapes from tanalised plywood offcuts and attach to arms and legs with 40mm nails and wood glue.



5 PRIME with one coat of Resene Quick Dry Primer Undercoat. Allow to dry, then paint with two coats of Resene Whiskey Sour. Allow to dry.



6 USING the artist's brush, paint in facial details with Resene Nero, and paint eyes with Resene Colonial White. Allow to dry.



7 USING the artist's brush, paint in details on hands and feet with Resene Nero. Allow to dry.



8 Paint "pupils" on the glass pebbles with Resene Nero, then fix in position with a blob of clear silicon.