



Our brushes measured 160mm x 65mm x 45mm. Adjust timber measurements to suit your brushes.

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BOOT CLEANING STATION

Autumn weather can leave your hardworking boots covered in mud, but this handy DIY project will leave you with the perfect spot to clean them – plus, it's designed with a boot jack to help you remove your boots hands-free.

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YOU WILL NEED

Materials

- 90mm x 32mm decking timber in the following lengths:
 - 600mm (x 4) for the base
 - 310mm (x 2) for the feet
 - 110mm (x 4) for the side brush supports
- Brushes (x 5)
- Hinge
- Resene Waterborne Woodsman penetrating oil stain, tinted to your choice of colour (we used Resene Crowshead)
- Screws

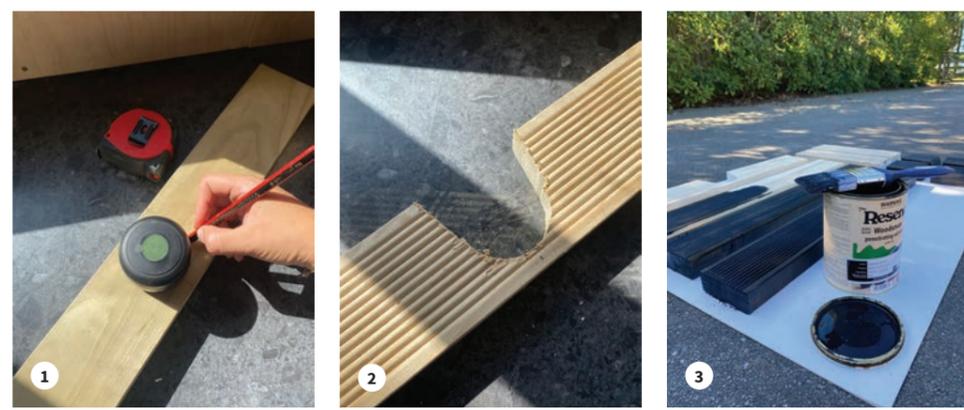
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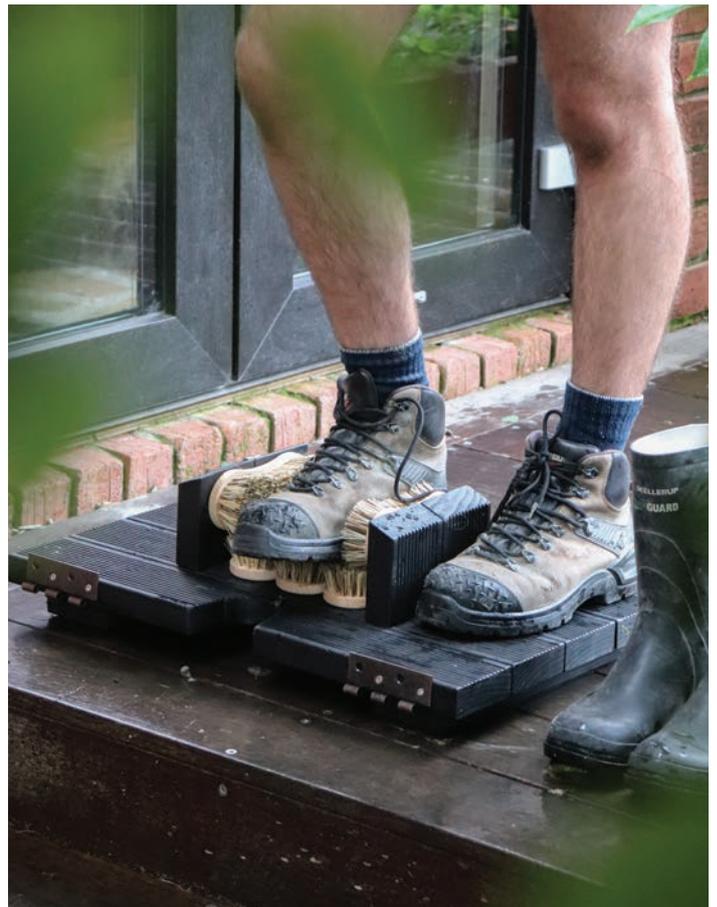
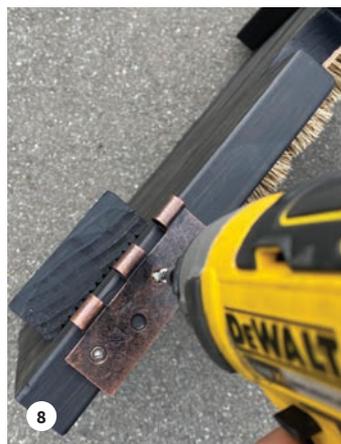
- Jigsaw
- Paintbrush
- Pencil
- Sandpaper
- Saw
- Tape measure

Before you begin When cutting your decking timber to the lengths specified, you may like to cut the top edges of the 110mm side brush supports at 15 degrees (sloping down towards the ridged edge).
Make sure you pick the right brushes – ensure that they are not so stiff that they scuff the shoes, but also not so flimsy that they won't remove any mud.

Step 1 On one of the 600mm lengths of decking, use a round object approx. 65mm in

diameter to trace a circle, centered and 15mm down from one long edge.
Step 2 Draw a line from each side of the circle to the edge of the wood to create a rounded 'V' shape. Use a jigsaw to cut out along the marked line. Sand down any sharp edges or rough spots.
Step 3 Wipe off any sanding dust and apply two coats of Resene Waterborne Woodsman penetrating oil stain to all lengths of wood, allowing to dry between coats.





Step 4 Place the 600mm decking upside down and put the two 310mm lengths on top, as shown. Space the slats a few millimetres apart to allow water to drain and ensure the feet are about 50mm in from the base's edge. Screw together.

Step 5 The boot cleaning area uses five brushes – three positioned on the base to scrub the underside of the boot as well as two side brushes. Screw the three base brushes to the base, centred on the base and with bristles facing up.

Step 6 Make the two side brush supports by attaching two 110mm supports to a brush, aligning the brush flush with the top. If you have cut the top of the supports off at 15 degrees make sure they are sloping out. **Note:** The height of the side brushes should leave just enough room below them to fit the base brushes;

however, you may need to adjust the height of these to fit the brushes you are using.

Step 7 Screw the side brush supports in place, one on each side of the base brushes.

Step 8 Take the hinge apart and screw each half onto the front corners of the base, as shown. Ensure that about 5mm is sticking up past the top.

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How to use

If your boots are super muddy, use the hinges to scrape off any clumps of mud before using the brushes to clean the sides and soles (stand on the sides of the base to stop it moving).

Use the inbuilt boot jack to effortlessly pull your foot out, without having to bend down or ruin the back of your shoes.