

Please be seated

Mark Rayner creates a succulent courtyard bench.



To get the look

TERRACOTTA pots and pebble mulch are available from Mitre 10 Mega.

You will need:

- 2 x large tapered terracotta pots (630mm high)
- 2 x smaller tapered terracotta pots (460mm high)
- 50mm x 300mm tanalised timber cut to 1250mm
- Terracotta sealer
- Sandpaper
- Resene Quick Dry Acrylic Primer Undercoat
- Resene Lumbersider in Resene Niagara
- Resene Lumbersider in Resene Oyster Bay
- 2 x 50 litre bags of good quality potting mix
- 2 x *Aloe bainei*
- Assorted sedums and smaller growing succulents
- Smooth pebble mulch
- Paintbrushes



1 FOLLOWING the manufacturer's instructions, seal the inside of the larger terracotta pots with terracotta sealer. Allow to dry.



2 LIGHTLY sand the timber seat with sandpaper to remove any splinters or rough edges.



3 PRIME the timber seat with one coat of Resene Quick Dry Acrylic Primer Undercoat. Allow to dry.



4 PAINT the timber seat with two coats of Resene Niagara. Allow to dry.



5 PAINT the rear wall of the courtyard with two coats of Resene Oyster Bay. Allow to dry.



6 TURN one of the smaller terracotta pots upside down and position the larger terracotta pot beside it, as shown. Fill larger pot with potting mix.



7 REPEAT with the other two pots and rest the timber seat between, as shown.

PLANT the centre of each pot with an *Aloe bainei* and surround with smaller growing sedums and succulents. Finish off with a smooth pebble mulch.

