



Hold 'em up

Mark Rayner comes up with a quick and easy frame for climbing plants.

You will need:

- 19mm x 19mm x 1.8m garden stakes (x7)
- Tape measure
- Pencil and set square
- Saw and drill with 2mm drill bit
- Exterior PVA glue
- 30mm x 2.5mm galvanised clouts
- Paintbrush
- Resene Quick Dry waterborne primer undercoat
- Resene Lumbersider tinted to Resene Bright Red

Top tip: If you plan to grow a rose on your climber support, make the horizontal bars 50% longer so you can spread the 'fan' wider or add additional sections on the outside of your 'fan'. This will help increase the number of blooms your rose produces.



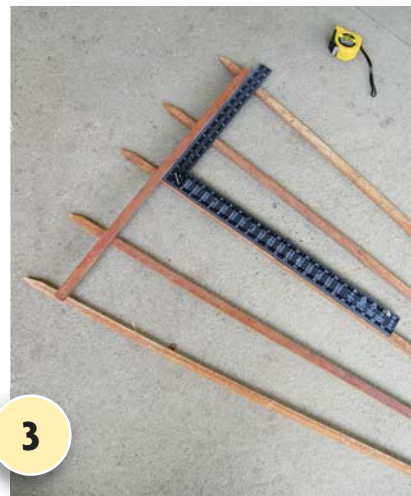
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On a flat surface, arrange five of the garden stakes to form a fan shape, as shown.



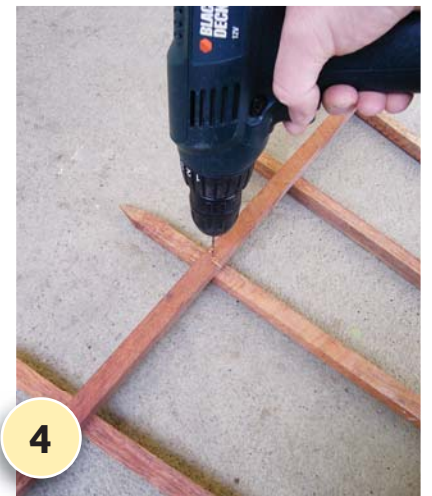
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Measure across the top and bottom of the fan shape and measure and mark cross-pieces to fit (ours measured about 700mm and 120mm).



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Position the top crosspiece, as shown. Use the set square to ensure it's at 90° to the central vertical stake.



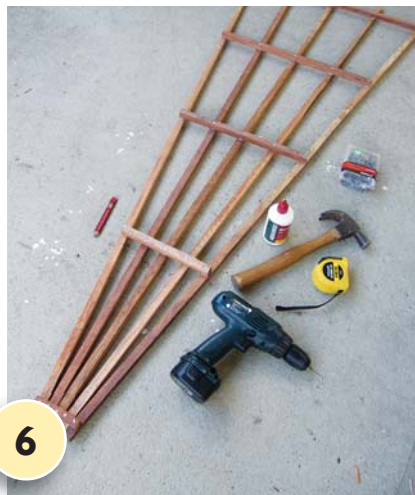
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Drill pilot holes, as shown, and fix with PVA glue and galvanised clouts.



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Attach the bottom crosspiece in the same way.



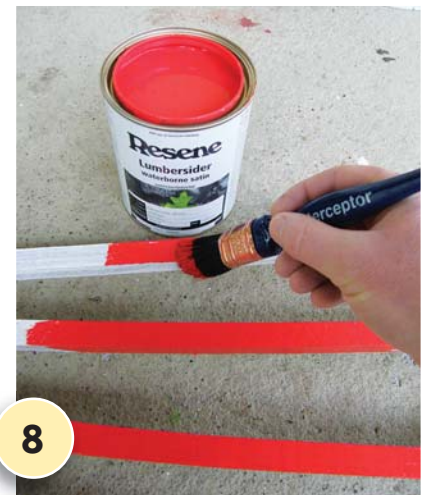
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Measure, mark and fix the three remaining crosspieces, ensuring they are evenly spaced. Allow glue to dry.



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Apply one coat of Resene Quick Dry to the plant support frame and allow two hours to dry.



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Apply two coats of Resene Bright Red to the plant support frame, allowing two hours for each coat to dry.