

# love seat

Got some scrap timber lying around? You don't need much to knock up this handy little bench to relax in a quiet spot in the garden. And you can easily make this project from start to finish in a day!

easy!

## You will need:

- [1] 350 x 1500mm length of pine (seat)
  - [2] 350 x 500mm length of pine (legs)
  - [4] 20 x 20mm x 300mm length battens
  - [2] Corner angles of pine as supports
- Exterior paint or sealer for finishing  
Wood screws

**Tools:** Jigsaw, multi sander, drill + 10mm wood bit

## Here's how:

1. Sand all the edges smooth before assembly.
2. Draw a heart shape onto both legs. Use a 10mm drill bit to make a hole in which to insert the jigsaw blade, and then cut out the shape. Do the same to cut out a hole in the bench seat. Sand all edges.
3. Lay the 1500mm length of pine on a flat surface. Position the legs and place the battens on the outer side. Use a bead of wood glue on the battens and screw to the underside of the bench. Add another bead of glue and screw the legs to the outer battens.
4. Attach the inner batten in the same way as the outer batten. On the corner angles, use a jigsaw to cut out a block to allow the corner to fit over the inner batten. Attach the corner angle to the legs, and to the underside of the bench by inserting a screw at an angle.

## DIY TIP:

USE A SIDE PLATE, OR AN EMPTY PAINT CAN, AS A TEMPLATE TO MARK A CIRCLE.

## Finishing

To create an aged effect the entire bench was painted with Prominent Paints Sheen - Hunter's Green - and the edges sanded back to reveal the wood. To provide protection use Rust-Oleum Polyurethane Spray Varnish, or a suitable exterior varnish.

