

DIY project

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make your own  
**seed  
storage  
BOX**

*How to store seeds in style*

**You will need:** 1.8m of 135mm x 19mm pine (cut into 2 x 450mm lengths and 2 x 350mm lengths) • 3m of 90mm x 10mm pine (cut into 2 x 413mm lengths, 5 x 279mm lengths and 6 x 90mm lengths) • 450mm x 338mm x 4.75mm MDF panel (for the storage box base) • 450mm x 345mm x 12mm MDF panel (for lid) • 40mm panel pins (for the box frame) • 30mm panel pins (for the rest) • Wood glue

• Saw • Power drill • Sandpaper • 2 x 60mm easy fit, non mortice hinges • 10mm screws • 15mm screws • Spray adhesive • Old vege or flower catalogue images to decorate box. We printed these vintage seed catalogue covers from <http://smithsonianlibraries.si.edu/smithsonianlibraries/seed-catalogs>. These images are available to download free for personal, research and study purposes only.



**step-by-step**

1

**Build seed box frame** from 135mm pine. Drill pilot holes first, then glue edges and nail together using 40mm panel pins.



2

**Attach the MDF base** of the box to the frame. Drill pilot holes, glue and nail using 30mm panel pins. Wipe off any excess glue.



3

**Place the inner frame** and dividers inside box to ensure everything fits before nailing together. Mark meeting points with a pencil.



4

**Construct inner frame.** Drill pilot holes where dividers will be joined, guided by pencil markings. Glue then nail together.



5

**Continue until all dividers** are attached. Then glue and nail the final two sides in place. Sand outside edges smooth.



6

**Fit lid** (it should jut out at front for lifting). Using the 10mm screws, attach hinges to the underside of the lid, 50mm in from ends.



7

**Mark pilot holes** with pencil where the hinges attach to the box. Drill pilot holes then screw in place, using 15mm screws.



8

**Sand edges** of storage box for a smooth finish. Cut posters to size then glue to the lid, inside and outside, using spray adhesive.

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