



# DIY: Make Your Own Toy and Book Shelf

This super sweet shelf is so quick and easy to make. Plus, it requires no cutting!



## What you'll need

### Materials

To make a 1.2m wide shelf:

- 2 x 1.2m length of 90 x 18mm Porta Dressed All Round in Tasmanian Oak (for the back and base of the shelf)
- 1 x 1.2m length of 40 x 18mm Porta Dressed All Round in Tasmanian Oak (for the shelf lip)
- Sandpaper, grit 240
- Glue and screws / nails
- Paint (optional)

Items are available at your local timber and hardware supplier.

### Tools

- Drill and drill bit or nail gun
- Sander or sanding block
- Paintbrush and drop sheet (optional)

The timber for this project costs around \$36.



## How to make it



### Step 1

Gather your supplies.

### Porta Tip

We used 1.2m lengths of 90 x 18mm and 40 x 18mm Porta DAR in Tasmanian Oak for this project. Change the length of the DAR and/or timber species to suit your requirements.



### Step 2

Glue and screw or glue and nail the 1.2m lengths of 90 x 18mm DAR together to form the back and base of the shelf.

### Porta Tip

Round the top corners of the 90 x 18mm DAR if you like to remove any sharp edges.



### Step 3

Glue and screw or glue and nail the 1.2m length of 40 x 18mm DAR to the shelf base to form the lip.

### Porta Tip

Round the top corners of the lip if you like to remove any sharp edges.



### Step 4

Sand any rough edges smooth.

### Porta Tip

Sand with the grain of the timber.



### Step 5 (Optional)

We left our shelf natural. However, you can paint or stain it to complement or accent your wall or furniture colour.

### Porta Tip

Use paint from left over projects or buy sample pots of your favourite colours.



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