

## How To Build a Wood Shed



## Eight-Step Wood Shed Construction <br> Note: Lumber sizes are on the back page

Step \#1 Find a level surface to build the shed. The shed should be located in a section of your yard or property where it will get a lot of sun during the summer months and where it will be shielded from heavy fall and winter rains.

Step \#2 Cut all lumber to size.
Step \#3 Build the frame structure. Lay out the (2) 2" x 6" x 8' floor supports parallel to each other. Mark where the support posts will be positioned and then lay out the (8) $2^{\prime \prime} \times 4$ " $\times 4^{\prime}$ floor joists between the floor supports so they are evenly spaced between where the support post locations. Use (2) 3" deck screws to secure the floor joists to the $2^{\prime \prime} \times 6$ " $\times 8$ ' floor supports.

Step \#4 Build the floor. Place the (4) 1" x 4" x 8' floor slats next to and evenly spaced between each post. Attach the floor slats with (2) $11 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ deck screws at each 2 " x 4 ."

Step \#5 Install the posts. Place the (3) 4" $\times 4$ " $\times 6$ ' posts in the front and the (3) 4 " $\times 4^{\prime \prime} \times 5^{\prime}-6$ " posts in the back where marked on the floor supports. Use clamps to hold the posts in position and then secure with the lag screws. Do one at a time.

Step \#6 Attach the roof rafters. Clamp on the (4) 2" x 4" x 4' roof Rafters to the outer sides of the outside posts and on both sides of the inner post. Attach with (2) 3" deck screws at each post.

Step \#7 Screw on the roof. Place the 1/2" x 4' x 8' CDX plywood roof and hold with clamps. Attach with $11 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ deck screws every 6 " along each 2" x 4" x 4' rafter. You can add roofing materials at your discretion.

Step \#8 Add (8) 1" $\times 4$ " $\times 3$ 3" 9 side slats with 6" airspace between each slat to the side of the shed. Affix the slats to the posts with (2) $11 / 2$ " deck screws.


# Time and Materials List 

| Time: | 4 hours |
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| Materials cost: | $\$ 200$ |
| Level of skill: | Basic |

## Tools

Heavy-duty extension cord
Circular saw (7-1/4" blade)
Drill
Drill bits (1/2")
Phillips head screw tip bit
Auger bits (1/2")
Clamps

## Materials

## Outdoor Treated Lumber

2-Floor supports $\quad 2$ " $\times 6$ " $\times 8$ 8
6-Support posts
4" $\times 4^{\prime \prime} \times 6^{\prime} \quad$ cut three to $5^{\prime} 6^{\prime \prime}$
4-Floor joists
2" $\times 4^{\prime \prime} \times 8^{\prime}$
cut to 4 ' lengths (8)
2-Roof joists
2" x 4" x 8'
cut to 4 ' lengths (4)
4-Flooring slats
1" x 4" x 8'
8-Side slats
1" x 4" x $3^{\prime \prime} 9^{\prime \prime}$
1-CDX plywood
$1 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 4$ 4 $8^{\prime}$

## Other

1/4" x 6 " lag screws
3" galvanized deck screws
$11 / 2$ " galvanized deck screws
Roofing material (owner selected)

