HOW TO BUILD A WOODEN COMPOST BOX

You will need

- 4 pressure treated timber posts (minimum 5cm by 5cm) all cut to 1m, or your required height
- Pressure treated timber planks (cut to 1m lengths if 1m square bin)
- 16m of roof tiling timber batten
- Nails or screws (galvanised for longer life)
- Hammer (if using nails) or drill with screwdriver attachment (if using screws)
- 4m timber batten (2.5cm by 2.5cm) for lid
- 1m by 1m weld mesh
Instructions

1. Cut the roof tiling timber batten into 1m lengths and fix to the pressure treated posts (Fig.1) using nails or screws.

2. Position the batten so that the two lengths run parallel to each other with a gap in between large enough to slide in the cut lengths of timber planks (Fig.2).

3. Slide in the pre cut treated timber planks (Fig.3) and secure the bottom plank with a screw or nail through the batten and plank. This will stop it falling apart when you move it.
4. Repeat this process for the other three posts to build a four-sided square box (Fig.4). You may wish to secure the top planks on three sides of your compost box to add to stability.

5. Place the weld mesh flat on the ground. Put the compost box on top of it. Attach to sides with fencing tacks for added security (Fig.5).

6. To build the lid, measure the inside of the compost box and construct a square frame from the 2.5cm by 2.5cm batten and the timber planks. The lid should fit snugly inside the compost box (Fig.6).

7. Start to fill with waste, remove front approximately every month and turn the material.