

HOW TO MAKE A BIRD-SHAPED BIRD-BOX

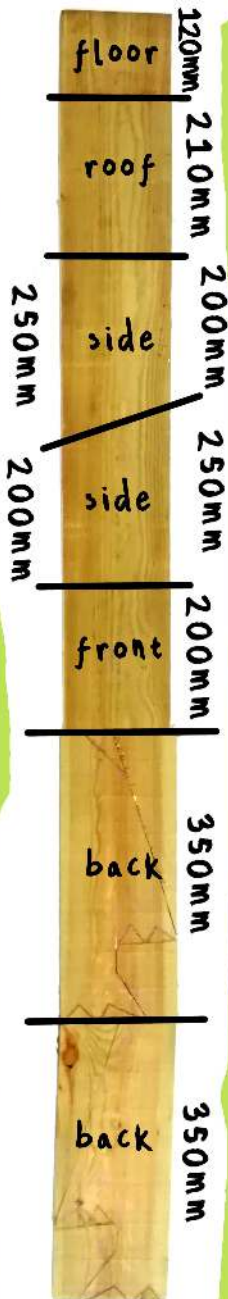
Pupils from Hessle High School worked with artist Louis Dorton to create these birdboxes. Here's how you can make one for your garden!

1 FIRST, GET A PLANK!
about 15cm wide and
at least 168cm long

5 MAKE A HOLE. Make it 32mm for
a house sparrow, which is a great
bird to encourage in your garden!



2 THEN MARK THESE
MEASUREMENTS ON IT:



6 PUT ALL THE PIECES TOGETHER!

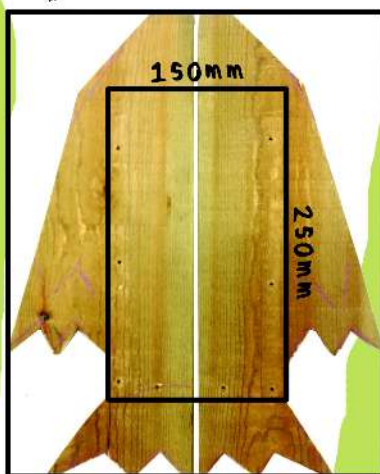
- Mark the places for 2 screws on each edge.
- Drill pilot holes to stop the wood splitting.
- Use galvanised screws that won't rust.
- Use a piece of rubber or leather to make a hinge for the roof so you can clean it out.



7 PRIME AND PAINT YOUR BOX



4 DESIGN AND CUT
A BIRD SHAPE



Put the two 350mm back pieces side by side and draw a simple bird shape. Make sure it can fit a rectangle 150x250mm inside it.

8 CHOOSE A SPOT ABOUT 2m HIGH.
Use brackets or drill holes through the
top and bottom of the bird-shape

