

## **Rain Barrel Stand**

The durable Rain Barrel Stand is made of rust-proof aluminum corners and naturally rot- and insect-resistant cedar boards. It supports up to 750 pounds.

## Parts Included

- (2) Assembled cedar sides with attached aluminum corners
- (4) Cedar boards  $1" \times 3.5" \times 20"$  Note: one side is rough, one smooth
- (1) Assembled cedar top
- (28) 3/4" stainless steel Phillips screws
- (4) Corner Caps

## **Tools Needed:**

Phillips screwdriver Pencil Gloves, recommended Drill with 1/16" (.06-.1 mm) bit and optional Phillips screwdriver bit Rubber mallet or hammer and piece of wood for cushioning Carpenter's level

## **Assembly**

- **Step 1.** Insert one cedar board--smooth side out--into a gap in one of the aluminum corners. Make sure it's fully seated and level with the adjoining side. Use the pencil to mark the location of the screw holes.
- **Step 2.** Remove the board from the corner. Drill starter holes in the wood using the pencil marks to guide you. Put the board back into the corner and insert two Phillips screws. Tighten the screws with a Phillips screwdriver or drill. Repeat for all boards until the square base is fully assembled.
- **Step 3.** Insert the black plastic corner caps into the top of each aluminum corner. Tap into place with rubber mallet or hammer and piece of wood.
- **Step 4.** Place the assembled cedar top onto the top of the Rain Barrel Stand.
- **Step 5.** Place stand on a firm, level surface. Avoid soft ground that may shift or settle under the weight of a full Rain Barrel. Use flat stones or bricks between the stand and the ground to prolong the life of the cedar sides. Use a carpenter's level to be sure the stand is level in all directions before installing the Rain Barrel.

For more information on using Rain Barrels, see the article "Rain Barrel How-To" and use our handy 'Rainfall Harvest Calculator" at www.gardeners.com.

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