Recycled Sculptures with Mike Badger

Materials

You will need a pair of tin snips, small hammer, panel pins, tin opener, wooden off-cut, bull nose pliers, tin cans or cake/ biscuit tins.

Most accessories are up to the individual - bottle tops, metal rod

(Maybe have some plasters at hand just in case!)

Firstly this can be hazardous as opened tins are sharp so you must treat the material with respect and be careful at all times.

These are not toys to be played with by children but ornamental sculpture for the mantlepiece.

Directions

Open up a tin can but take the rim off the can (not just the lid) - this can be done by placing the blade of the opener at the side of the lid rather than the top.

When lids are off, cut a straight line down the cylinder and open out into a rectangular sheet of tin.

Wrap this around the wood (take into consideration the size of the wooden offcut beforehand).

Then nail through tin into wood with panel pin. This secures the tin to the wood and you can start to construct whatever your imagination conjures up,

Tips

If making a boat (like on this video) check for symmetry by looking to make sure things look even on both sides.

Always snip off any sharp corners, make sure pins are long enough to hold but not too long so they appear through the wood on the other side.