



10 easy DIY projects for your home

Ready to delve into some projects at home? Make sure you prepare yourself by watching tutorials, getting the correct advice if and when you need it, and most importantly, making sure you have the correct tools and safety equipment to get you going. Here are a few ideas to get you started!

My DIY Projects Checklist

☐ 1. Floating shelves

Clean, seamless and the perfect place to put photos or knick-knacks that mean something special, you'll probably be able to put up some [floating shelves](#) in less than a day. Best of all, it's a super-cheap project that can turn any wall into a focal point.

Difficulty rating	Time needed to undertake project
7	1-2 days

☐ 2. Hanging terrarium

Does your home need a bit more greenery, but you don't have the space to keep a huge plant indoors? A [hanging terrarium](#) could be the answer. You don't need any woodworking skills – just a few containers, soil, hydro stones and succulents to create a miniature thriving ecosystem.

Difficulty rating	Time needed to undertake project
2	1-4 hours

3. Pantry upgrade with custom shelving

You might want to enlist the services of someone who knows their way around tools for this job, but [upgrading your pantry with custom shelving](#) can add value to your home by improving the functionality of your kitchen.

Difficulty rating	Time needed to undertake project
8	2 days

4. Fire pit

They are a standout in any backyard and they aren't as difficult to put together as you might think. Make a weekend out of [building your own fire pit](#), then customise it to your personal style. You could achieve this by setting up outdoor seating, with colourful cushions and blankets, plus those all-important marshmallows to roast! Make sure you check your local council's rules and regulations around fire pits. In some LGAs they may be restricted or banned (altogether, or at certain times of the year).

Difficulty rating	Time needed to undertake project
7	1-2 days

5. Garden bed

Got a green thumb that just has to be put to work? Then why not spend some time curating your own paradise with a [custom garden bed](#). It's the perfect project for a passionate gardener who also fancies themselves a bit of a woodworker. Cheap, fun and perfectly unique to you.

Difficulty rating	Time needed to undertake project
7	1-3 days

6. Give the fireplace a spruce-up

Whether you're huddling around it on a cold wintry night or it's something you pass a dozen times a day – the fireplace may not be looking its best right now. If that's the case, think about spending a few hours sprucing it up! A quick paint job or a complete resurface can turn a dank old fireplace into a welcoming hearth. You could add some mosaic tiles, or even some pressed tin panels to give your fireplace that original look.

Difficulty rating	Time needed to undertake project
4	4 hours - 1 day

7. Bathroom floor makeover

Do you want to jazz up your bathroom but simply don't want to fork out the thousands of dollars it would take for a complete renovation? Now you don't have to! With some paint, a graphic stencil and a weekend free of distractions, you can take [DIY bathroom floor painting](#) to the next level.

Difficulty rating	Time needed to undertake project
7	1 day

8. Kitchen backsplash

A pop of colour can lighten up even the drabest kitchen – take the backsplash, for example. It's easy enough to refurbish, and you can either choose the cheaper option of painting it or take a bit more time to tile it. Whatever your decision, the end result will certainly be something that draws the eye.

Difficulty rating	Time needed to undertake project
7	1 day

9. Add crown moulding to cabinets

Even if your kitchen looks amazing, there might be some finishing touches you could add that would just give it a whole new lease on life. [Crown moulding](#) is a classic yet refined addition that can overhaul kitchen cabinets into something remarkable. Best of all, it doesn't cost the world – or too much of your time – to install.

Difficulty rating	Time needed to undertake project
4	4 hours - 1 day

10. Outdoor hammock

Need a place to kick back and enjoy the beautiful weather in silence? If you're handy with tools, [making a DIY hammock](#) could make the whole family happy. There are plenty of online tutorials to walk you through what you'll need, and in no time you'll be lazing in your backyard – in your own custom hammock!

Difficulty rating	Time needed to undertake project
4	2-3 hours

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