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Veg Trough Planter Box

Instruction Manual

Natural Timber Characteristics

Whilst we try to ensure that our timber products reach you in perfect condition, we have to remember we are dealing with a natural material and there are many characteristics which can arise.

These are completely normal and have no detrimental effect on the product. We also manufacture our products so that most natural defects are inside to product where you wouldn't see them. Or the plank may be reversible, so it can be used either way around.



Shake appears like a series of splits. With a timber section of this size you will always encounter some degree of this (usually on one side). This does not affect the strength of the product and you will find the shake opens in continued warm weather and then closes up when the weather is wet and cooler or there is a lot of moisture in the air.



Pith is similar to the above defect and quite often found along side each other. Most of this is typically machined to be on the inside of the product.



Knots are typically found in timber as shown. These are not generally an issue and can actually be beneficial relieving stress points in timber. In many peoples opinion these add character to the products.





Cupping is mainly caused by the treatment of the timber. Where timber is kiln dried and then pressure treated it can cause cupping. Although we do limit this, the best way for you to counteract is, as you build the walls of your product, have one plank with the growth rings facing one way and the next with the rings facing the opposite way (counter cupping). This is only possible on square or rectangular products as the planks are reversible. On octagonal products if you have a problematic plank try it in another wall position to see where it will fit best.

WARRANTY

This product is supplied with a 1 year warranty which must be registered on our website at www.theqtcompany.co.uk/warranty-registration

INTRODUCTION

Please take time to read these instructions prior to installing your product. This will help you understand the product and prevent mistakes being made.

Recommendations for Storage and Delivery

In the pre-assembly period the wood is sensitive to variations in temperature and humidity. It is therefore necessary that you take the following precautions immediately after delivery.

Wood is a living material and once cut the appearance of cracks, slight movements or changes in colour are normal and the planks (except in extreme circumstances) do not need replacing.

- Do not store the wood in direct sunlight or under a black cover as this will cause distortion which will make installation extremely difficult.
- Assemble the structure as soon as possible after receipt.
- Assemble the structure in one go, preferably in the morning while the temperature is cool.
- If the product must be stored then use a cool well ventilated place, sheltered from sun and rain.
- Components that are damaged, cracked or distorted due to bad storage and/or handling on site are not covered by warranty.
- Build in-situ where you intend to keep
- Due to the weight of this product it requires 2 persons to lift.

Kit Contents

As you unpack your product make sure that you have all parts required and that their condition is satisfactory.

Contact your dealer if you believe parts are missing or damaged.

Safety Precautions

- Use safety goggles during installation to reduce risk of eye injury.
- · Gloves should be worn to protect fingers.
- Due to the weight of this product it requires 2 persons to lift.

At every point of manufacturing this product, care has been taken to provide quality and satisfaction to our customers. If any part of this kit is missing or damaged then you must contact our support team on **0800 043 0880** before proceeding with assembly of this product.



1. Your Veg Trough will be delivered to you in a single package similar to above. Please inspect before assembly to make sure there are no missing or damaged parts.



2. Firstly you need to locate and separate the x6 legs before you can start the build.



3. Layout the legs to form a cradle shape as demonstrated in the image above.



4. You can the fix the legs together using the supplied screws.



5. You can now add the first side wall board (144mm wide) to the leg making sure that the board is placed in the centre of the leg as in the image above. This board is narrower than all of the other side wall boards.



6. You can now repeat this process for the opposite leg. You may need an additional pair of hands to help with this.



7. Use a tape measure to make sure you position the final leg in the centre of the structure.



8. You can now continue to build the walls of the veg trough. Use the narrower side wall board next approximately 124mm wide.



9. Continue to screw your wall boards to the cradles.



10. The boards should finish fairly evenly when installed.



11. Fix the supplied battens to the internal edges of the wall boards which you have just assembled, using the provided screws.



12. Use the x3 Triangular cut pieces to fill in the sides of the veg trough. At this stage you can choose whether to paint/stain your trough.



12. Line the internal of the veg trough with weed fabric. You can now add your soil/compost, approx 350 litres.

Garden Paradise Veg Trough Wood Treatment

The wooden elements of the product you have purchased are intentionally left untreated with any kind of preservative. This is in order to not compromise their use in organic crop production. If the product is not specifically being used in this way, Garden Paradise strongly advise that all the external surfaces of

the wood are treated with wood preservative to maximize the longevity and enhance the aesthetics of the grain. Garden Paradise recommend the use of a non-toxic product and would advise that the supplier's instructions are closely followed for both preparation and application.



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