

LOG BENCHES

EYES FOR THE JOB- EPISODE 205.2

'FIRE PIT BIG HIT'



MATERIALS AND TOOLS NEEDED

- 2 large pine logs, about 4 feet long and 1 foot in diameter
- Wooden and metal wedges to split logs
- Iron prybar to split logs
- Jointer to smooth logs
- Chainsaw to cut logs

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STEP BY STEP BUILD PLAN

1. Consult a professional to help you safely fell a tree, or buy pre-cut logs
2. Half the logs
 - a. Use a chainsaw to make a 3-inch kerf cut along the length of the logs
 - b. Hammer wooden and metal wedges into the cuts to encourage the logs to split
 - c. Use an iron prybar to finish the split
3. Smooth the logs
 - a. This step is optional. A smoother log will make for a more comfortable seat, but it's not necessary. Use a jointer to remove the bark and level the sitting surface.
4. Make feet for benches
 - a. Cut a halved log into four even pieces
 - b. Notch the pieces so the log seats will fit into the supports
5. Coat all pieces of log in linseed oil to keep the sap in
6. Attach the feet to the log seats and enjoy!