



Rain Barrel Construction Materials List

- Food grade 55 gallon plastic drum
- 3/4 inch hose spigot
- 15/16" drill bit
- Drill
- PVC or All Purpose Cement
- Flexible downspout extender
- Caulk
- Screen for overflow or top of barrel
- PVC compression coupling for overflow (or larger for overflow connection) * optional
- 1^{3/8}" drill bit (or larger for overflow connection) * optional
- Screen to cover overflow connector and any other holes
- Scissors
- Paint - spray primer or sand paper, acrylic paints, and UV clear coat for protection.

Local Drum/Barrel Sources

Shonk Drum Service
5910 South US 1 (Behind the Antique Mall)
Grant, FL 32949
(321) 288-4763
\$20.00

Painting your rain barrel:

- Wash the outside of your barrel to remove any debris or oils.
- If you want to change the color of the barrel completely I recommend buying Krylon plastic bonding spray paint. You may want to use it as a primer.



- You could also use enamel paint for detail. I found small pots called "Brush On, Odd 'n' Ends fast dray enamel" at Wal-Mart in the spray paint isle that seems to work well.
- Then spray or brush polyurethane over your masterpiece. Marine grade polyurethane like Helmsman has UV protectant.
- Hook it up and enjoy.

Some examples:

