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RATTAN CUPBOARD



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MATERIALS

- Wooden planks/ wooden battens for the substructure (you can pick the thickness you like, I went for 2 cm width)
 - Woven Cane/ Rattan (around 6 m)
 - Hinges (4x)
 - Base plate
 - Back (usually 2 chipboard panels)
 - Shelves
 - Angles
 - Saw
 - Hammer
 - Battery powered drill
 - Tape measure
 - Sanding paper
 - Scissors
 - Iron
 - Stapler
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STEP 1

First, come up with a basic plan for your cupboard. Think about the measurements you want. I went for these: Width= 110 cm | Height= 110 cm | Depth= 52 cm.

STEP 2

Now determine the size of your doors and cut the battens accordingly (my measurements 52x96 cm). To make the doors, build a wooden frame by screwing together two shorter (top & bottom) and two longer (left & right) battens. Repeat this step for the second door.

STEP 3

Now build the frames for the sides and top, using the same technique as in step 2. Take care that the side parts have the same length as your doors - the width can vary. The top frame should have the length of the two doors and the same width as the side parts so your cupboard will have the right proportions.

STEP 4

After building the frames, you can now cover them. Cut your woven cane, always remembering to leave some extra material all around. Now cover the frames with your rattan. (Tip: Put a towel over the woven cane and iron it so it becomes softer). Then staple the rattan to the frame.



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- STEP 5** When the doors are done, put them on an even surface and build the body of the cupboard around the doors. If your cupboard is supposed to have feet now would be the time to make them. Then attach the doors to the body using the hinges.
- STEP 6** Finish the body of the cupboard using screws and angles. When it's done, you can put in the side panels and finally attach the lid.
- STEP 7** The last step is to attach your back and base panel. To do this, lay your chipboard panels onto the body and attach it with nails or screws. If you want, you can also add shelves and paint your cupboard.