

# TRIPOD POT PLANT

Try this clever way to create a plant stand that doubles as a focal point

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**G**ive your terracotta pot and saucer a lift, literally, by raising it off the ground and turning it into a sculptural detail with a modern tripod-look stand.

It can be positioned in any room in the house to add greenery, or placed outside on the deck or in the garden.

To suspend the pot in the air, three metal rods were inserted through the

drainage hole in the base of the pot and a washer added to allow the height of the stand to be adjusted.

Excess metal can be trimmed from the tops of the rods using a hacksaw if required.

Decorative pebbles were placed in the base of the pot for drainage and to provide extra stability for the rods. Finally, a plant was added.



## What you need

15cm terracotta pot  
40cm terracotta saucer  
3 1m steel rods  
Chalk  
Decorative pebbles  
Washer



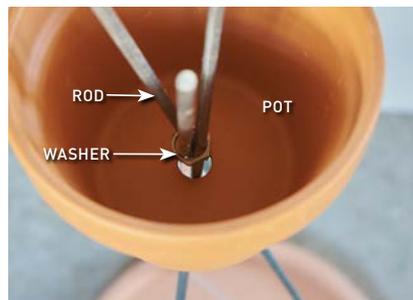
The sky is the limit with this simple modification to your humble terracotta pot

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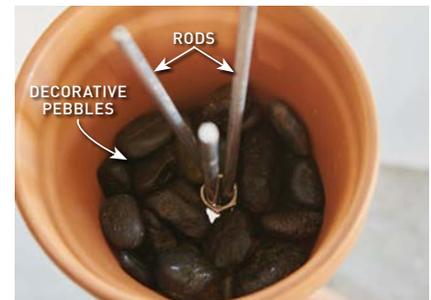
### 1 Prepare the saucer

Use chalk to mark out an equilateral triangle on the top side of the saucer. The three points of the triangle are used to position each of the metal rods of the plant stand on which the pot will be placed.



### 2 Secure the rods

Insert each metal rod through the washer, then through the hole in the base of the pot, so the tops of the rods are level with the rim of the pot. Spread out the rods so they each stand on a point of the triangle on the saucer.



### 3 Add a plant

Place the decorative pebbles at the base of the pot for drainage and extra stability for the stand. Part fill the pot with potting mix, then position your chosen plant in the pot and backfill with mix. Water it well.



### DIY TIP

Use different coloured pots and saucers to match the style of your home, or have a go at painting them yourself.

Give your plant pride of place on a novel stand.