

HOW TO TURN YOUR SHED INTO A PLAYHOUSE



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This [6x4 overlap apex](#) shed can provide room for toys and a space to play.



This 10x10 ft [tongue and groove apex workshop shed](#) gives a solid space for a playhouse.



Smaller children will be delighted with even a few cushions and simple toys in their own playhouse.



A shed playhouse is the perfect place for a toy kitchen. Girls and boys alike love play cooking - especially with mud!
Image: [Ginger & May](#)

It's every child's dream to have their own playhouse to use as a den, clubhouse or hideout. With this guide you can make that dream come true.

Proximity to you and your home is key, so what better place to let your children play than your safe, converted garden shed, found just a few steps from your back door? Insulated, damp-proofed and decorated, your shed can be transformed into anything your kids want it to be.

Here's our step-by-step guide to converting your humble garden shed into the perfect playhouse.

1. Start planning the playhouse. Make two lists: one detailing what your children will **use** it for; the other listing the playhouse's subsequent **requirements**.
2. Work out the size and layout of the playhouse, according to your lists.
3. Assess the state of your current shed and its location.
4. Make a job list with dates. Be clear which jobs are for you (or your kids) or professionals.
5. Start by damp-proofing the shed.
6. Insulate the floor, ceiling, and walls, and cover with ply, tongue and groove or plasterboard.
7. Install electricity via mains, solar or wind power.
8. Install lighting, choosing from battery-operated push lights, or mains-operated fluorescent, halogen, LED or lamps.
9. Install your choice of heating from solar air heaters, tube heaters, underfloor, portable radiators, or convection heaters.
10. Connect your shed to the internet via your home WiFi, tethering to a mobile, or powerline adapters.
11. Install guttering and a water butt, or connect to mains water.
12. Secure the shed.
13. Install your storage.
14. Decorate the playhouse with your children, according to their tastes. Then move in all the toys, games, and books they'll need there.



Get your children to help with the planning of the playhouse. It'll give them a greater sense of ownership of the space.

1) Uses and Requirements

First, speak to your children about what they want to use their playhouse for (or, in the case of younger children, decide for them), and think about what those uses will mean you'll need. Make two lists, one each for:

- **Uses** - what they will do in their shed playhouse.
- **Requirements** - what those uses require.

For example, if they'll use their playhouse as a place to paint, glue and make things, then the shed will require windows that open, or some other ventilation, like a shaft or extractor fan to get rid of paint or glue fumes.

Once you've finished your list of Uses, consider the following things for your Requirements:

- Furniture, storage, and accessories
- Utilities
- Design
- Aspect
- Base
- Position
- Access
- Ventilation

Read on for some advice on each of those topics:

Furniture, storage, and accessories



What kind of furniture will your children will need?
Image: www.thehandmadehome.com

Once you know what your kids want to use the playhouse for, your furniture requirements will fall into place. If they want a special hideaway for reading (use), then you'll need to install plenty of shelving (or find a freestanding bookcase) for books, as well as finding comfy cushions and chairs (requirement).

If they love to draw (use), then you'll need to make sure they have a table and chairs to sit at, as well as storage for all their materials (requirement).

PLANNING CONTINUED

Think about how they'll use the space. Will they need plenty of room for imaginative play, as well as comfy places to sit? Choose bean bag chairs, rather than a sofa; they'll be easy to move out of the way. Try to write down everything they might need or want during this stage. You can trim the list down when you plan the layout.

Once you've listed all the furniture, accessories and storage that their playhouse will require, ask yourself (and list the answers):

- How and where will you store everything (e.g. toys, books, games, arts and crafts supplies); and
- How do the items on the requirements list affect each other? For example, should the art table go near the window to make the most of the light? What's the best height for the shelves to go, to make sure we make the most of the space available and they can reach their books and toys, etc.?



The [Fairy tower playhouse](#) is a fabulous space to let imaginations run wild.

Utilities



Mains electrical wiring must be buried at least 50cm deep.

Deciding whether to install utilities in their playhouse depends largely on whether they will play in it on cold, dreary days.

If you wire the playhouse with mains electricity, you can install heating and lighting, making sure they can play there no matter the weather or the season. Heating the shed will also make sure damp doesn't spread in the building, damaging any toys and books inside. Refer to your requirements list to calculate how many power sockets you might need.

What kind of lighting would be best for their playhouse? If installing overheads, where should the light switch go so they can easily reach it?

Do you want them to have access to the internet, or would you prefer their playhouse to be offline?

Ultimately, ask yourself if you want to incur the cost of installing mains electricity in the playhouse, and if your children are likely to use it during cold weather. If the answer is 'no', you can forego the electric heaters and simply rely on battery-operated lights.

For more details on utilities, refer to the Conversion section below.

Design

Most children will love to customise their playhouse both inside and out, making a wooden shed the most sensible choice. They can be painted and altered, allowing for the installation of electricity, the addition of windows, or just redecorating as the children grow older and their tastes change.

Wooden sheds can also be properly insulated and weatherproofed for long-term use, with proper treatment. After all, what is a playhouse for your kids now could be a dedicated man cave, she shed or office for you a few years down the line, once they no longer need it. If this is the case, a strong base now may save you work in the future.

A plastic shed could be repurposed as a playhouse. They are lightweight and easy to wipe clean, making them ideal for children who like to play with mud kitchens or finger paint. But they can't be insulated or heated as easily.



This premium [8x6 ft apex overlap](#) shed is straightforward to convert to a playhouse.

Metal sheds are durable, but are prone to condensation, which makes them a less appealing place to play. They're also not as easy to customise, or install utilities.

Wooden sheds can have either overlap or tongue and groove cladding. Overlap is cheaper, but tongue and groove is sturdier and is more weather-resistant. For more detail on different types of wooden sheds, see the main [Waltons range](#).

Although small children won't make use of the high ceilings provided by an apex shed, this extra space does allow for the shed's use to evolve as they grow. You can also install overhead storage racks for any bulkier toys.

But if the playhouse will be positioned in a narrow space or leaning against a fence or building, a pent shed with its slanted roof might be a better choice. Just make sure to leave room to move around it for construction and maintenance (including damp protection).

Base

A playhouse needs a strong base. It helps maintain the structure long-term, but also makes sure the shed remains a solid and safe place for your children to play. An unsubstantial foundation could cause the structure to move over time, letting in the elements and opening up gaps, which could be hazardous to the shed and its occupants.



Make sure your playhouse has a firm base by laying paving slabs to support it. Image: [Adobe stock](#)

A solid concrete base may be more robust than a playhouse needs, but if you're planning to re-convert further down the line, or if the shed is large, then do consider this type of foundation.

Otherwise, a paving slab base is a straightforward and cost-effective foundation for a playhouse. It isn't suitable for larger sheds, however, as it can sink over time. But it's a good choice if the playhouse will one day be removed; paving slabs can be more easily removed than concrete.

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A gravel foundation may be enough if you are using a plastic shed. But this doesn't provide wholly reliable weather-proofing.

Timber decking with concrete anchor points looks good, and can be extended to create a deck around the playhouse for more outside play space. Remember to install a weed-proof membrane between the ground and the timber.

This kind of base helps with damp-proofing, as the deck can help water to run off away from the building, and the space between the ground and the shed helps circulate air. But any extra decking will require annual maintenance and increase the cost. Timber bases are also not strong enough to support a large shed.

Position



Make sure you plan the best possible location for the playhouse. Image: [shutterstock](#)

You'll want the playhouse to be in clear, unobstructed view of the main house. Are there any young trees that could grow to block the shed from view? Keeping it close to the main house will give you peace of mind, and will allow for easier installation of utilities, such as the wiring for mains electricity.

With this in mind, where do you have space in the garden that has a direct line of sight to the main house? Use the measurements of the shed to roughly gauge this, but allow for a couple of extra inches; you will need this space when digging out for the base.

Ventilation



An open window is a simple way to ventilate a playhouse. Look out for trapped little fingers though!

Are your children budding artists? If they'll be working with glue or paints, the playhouse will need plenty of ventilation.

The easiest method? Windows that open. But consider a skylight or ventilation shaft if you have safety concerns about small children risking trapped fingers from opening and shutting windows. Security can also be addressed with these solutions, and your children will have all the light and air they need.

Aspect



Plenty of natural light will make the playhouse feel roomier. Image: [domesticblissnz.blogspot.com](#)

While the amount and quality of light coming into the playhouse is a concern (south-facing windows offer direct sunlight, while indirect light from the north causes fewer shadows), you'll want the playhouse to face the main house, especially if you have small children.



Make sure your planning is clear and thorough. It's the most important part of the process.
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2) Plan Layout and Size

Now to plan the playhouse layout. How detailed your plan will be depends largely on the size of the shed, and how equipped it is. For example, if their playhouse is more about imaginative play, you'll have plenty of free space to move around what little furniture they need in situ. But if your Requirements list is pointing towards a fully-furnished playhouse, here are some methods to help you:

- **Paper.** Go analogue and make a scale drawing of your empty shed. Other than the measuring and cutting, you can get the children involved in planning what it will look like at this stage. On the drawing, you can move around small, cut-out, scale versions of their furniture and storage units, as well as the windows and power sockets.
- **Google Draw.** Google's free software will let you create a scale version of their playhouse and its potential contents. It will let you quickly and easily adjust sizes and positioning.
- **Room Planning Software.** [Floor Planner](#) or [Sketchup](#) are our two favourite tools. You can work in 2D or 3D, set room size, and position and scale furniture and equipment.

Just remember to leave plenty of space for children to move around and play.

If your Requirements don't fit inside your chosen shed size (which might well be the case if the playhouse is intended for several children), then trim your list or plan for a bigger shed.

PLANNING PERMISSION

If a new shed is over a certain size you may require [planning permission](#). Check with your local Planning Authority what that size is.

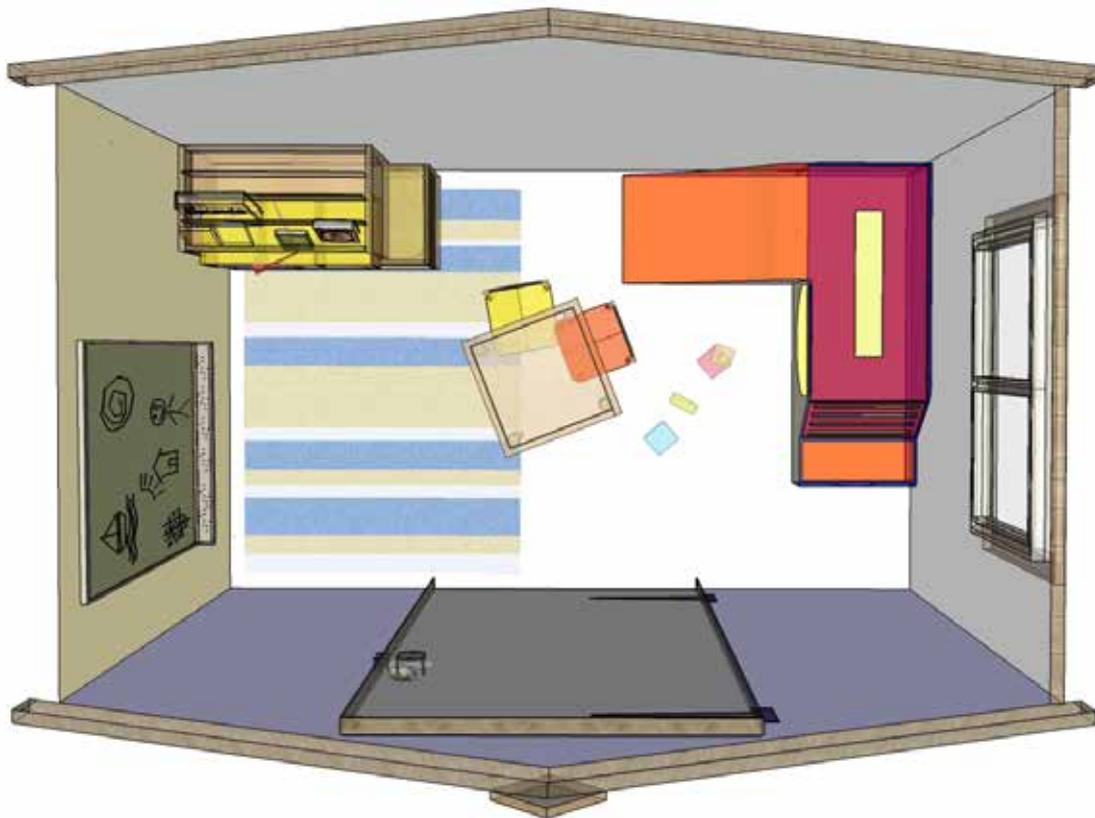
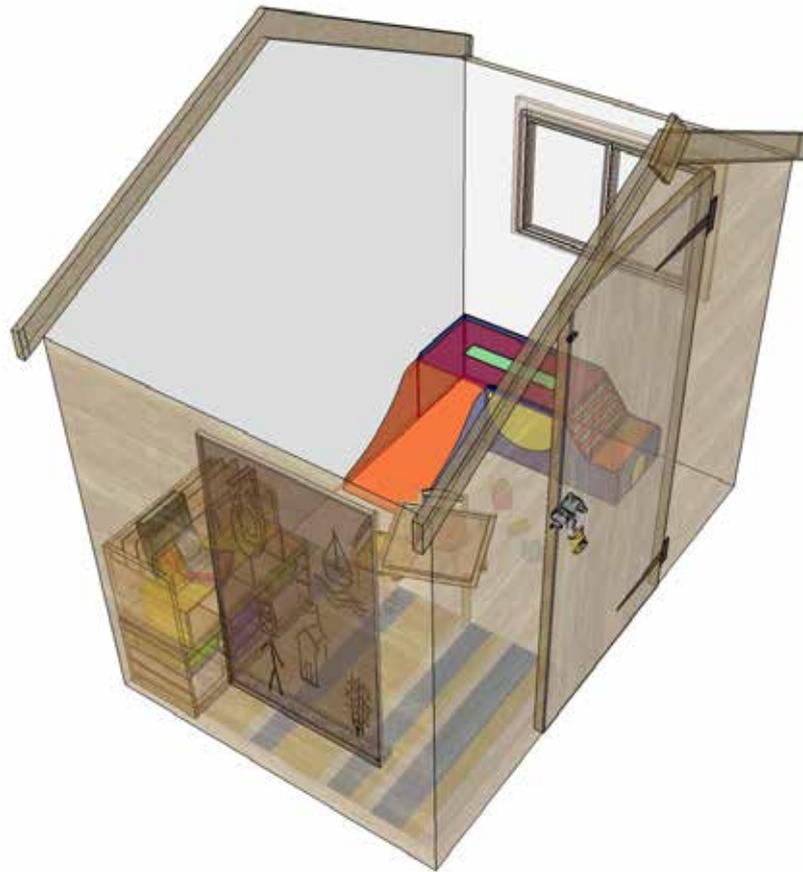
Over the next few pages are three example playhouse layouts (made with Sketchup) for these size sheds:

- Small (4ft x 6ft)
- Medium (10ft x10ft)
- Large (16ft x10ft)

1. Small

4ft x 6ft Playhouse

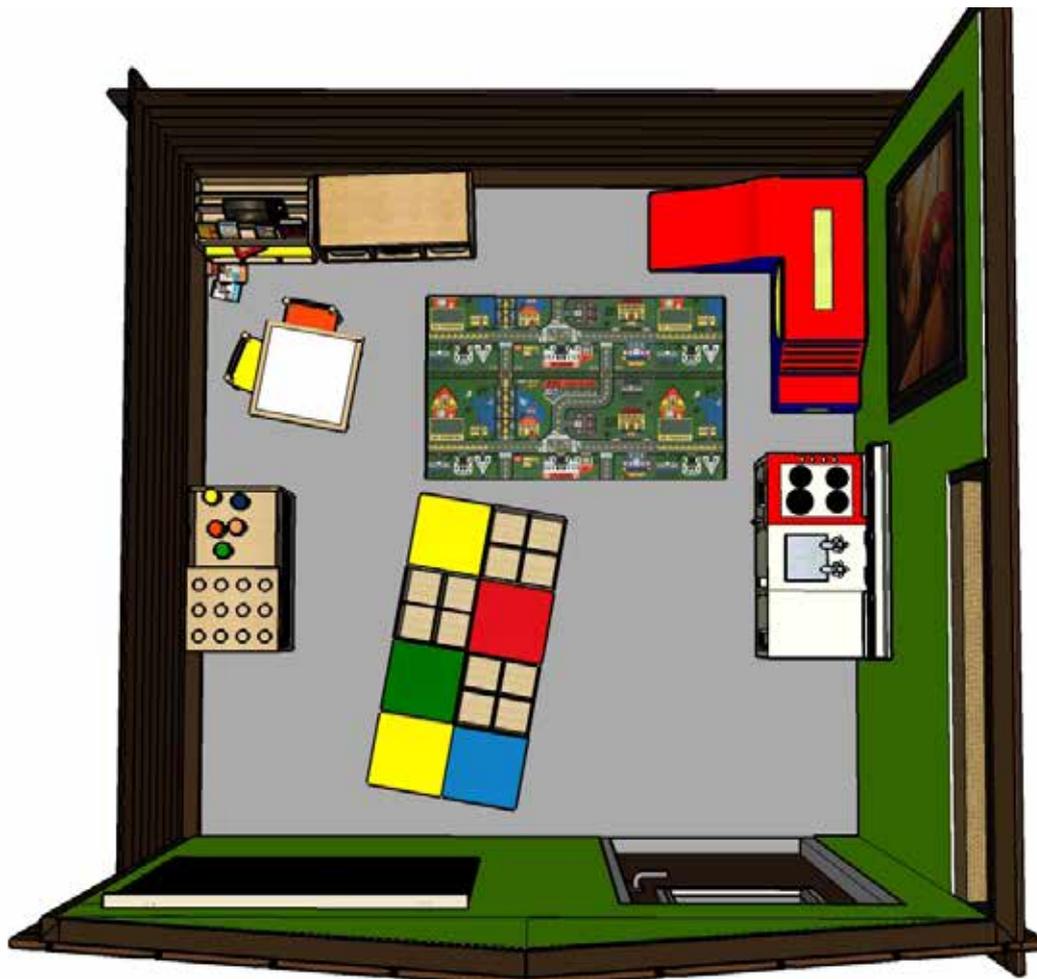
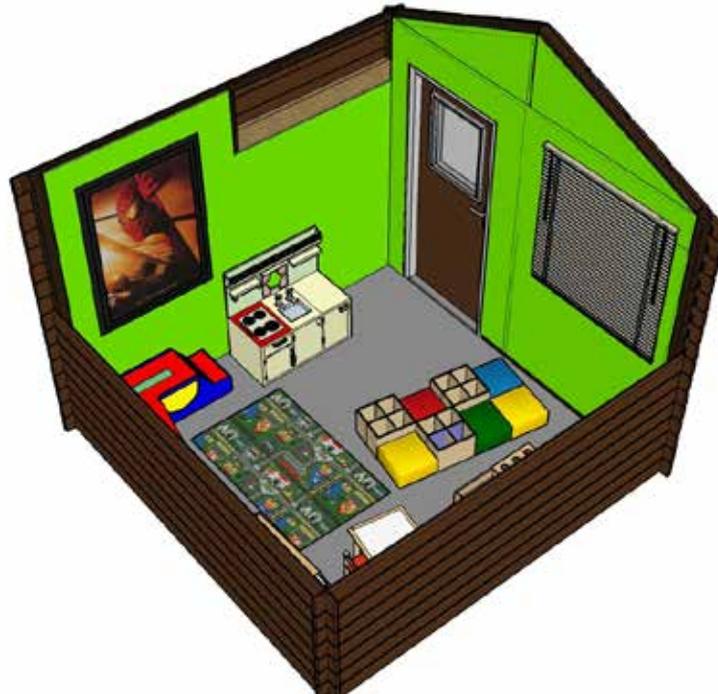
A small space still gives you enough room for some storage, along with a table to sit at and some play equipment.



2. Medium

10ft x 10ft Playhouse

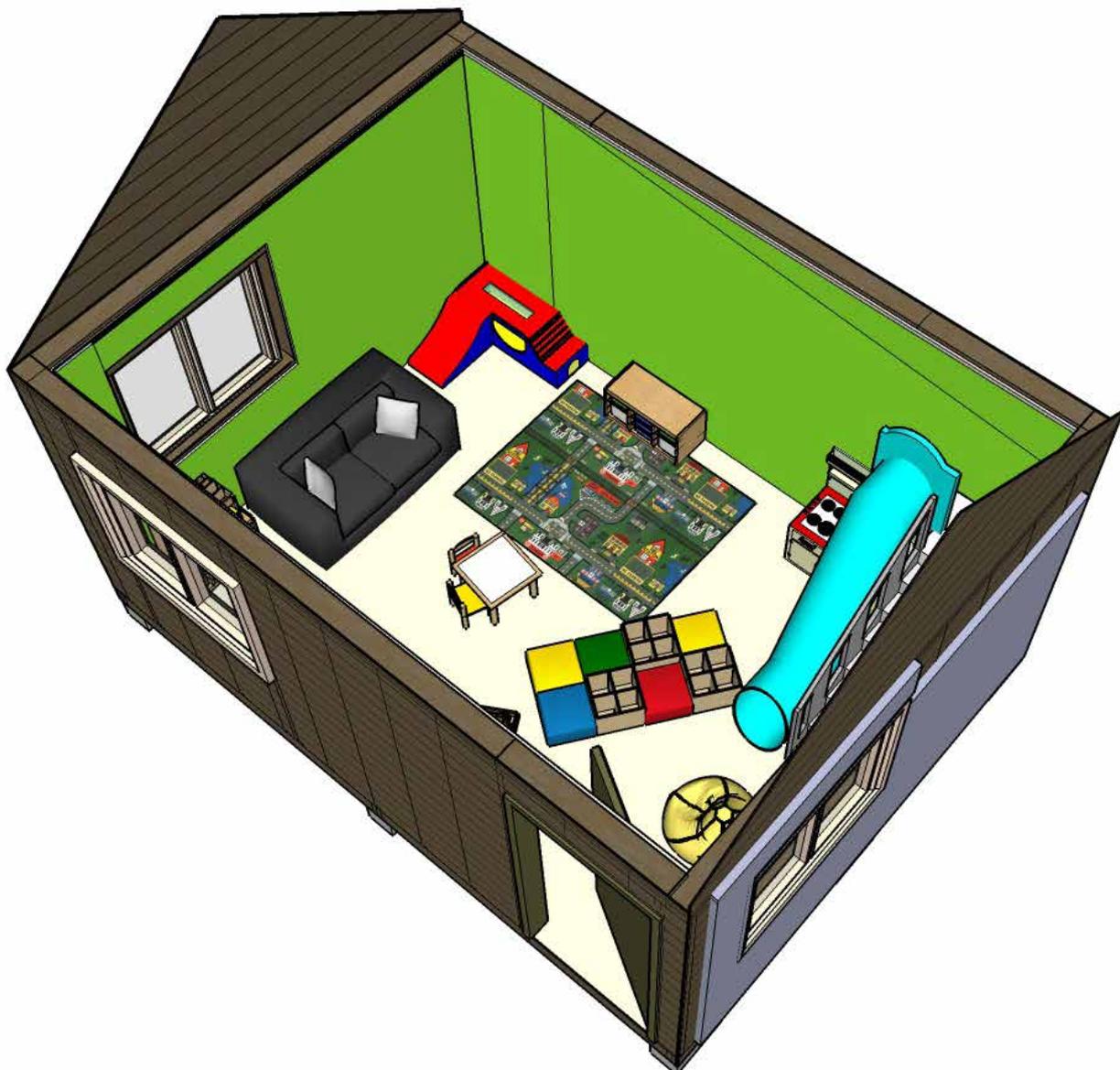
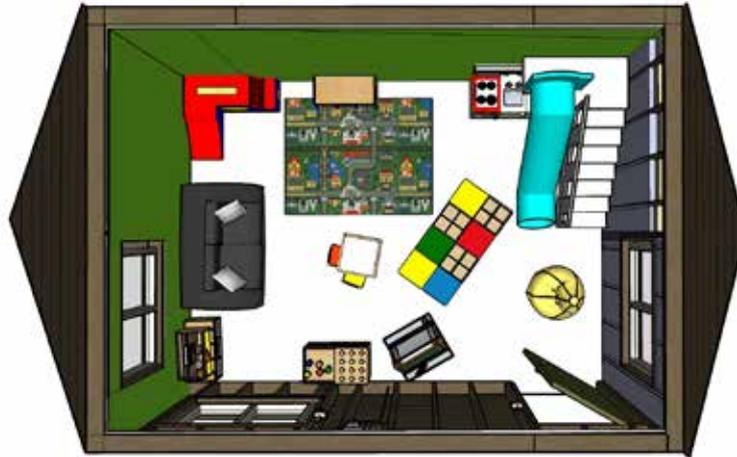
A 10' by 10' shed offers plenty of floorspace for playing, and gives you the option of setting up two or three areas to play in.



3. Large

16ft x 10ft Playhouse

Having a massive 160 square feet of playroom means that you have space for children to play, create artworks, or relax with a book without getting in each others' way.





*Sand down any rough surfaces that children might come into contact with.
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3) Assess the State of Your Shed

Now you know exactly what you and your children want, it's time to see if your existing shed will make a good playhouse.

Empty it out and check for maintenance issues like water leaks, any visible damage or subsidence. Do the windows and doors work properly? Can they be opened easily and safely by small children? Is the roofing felt still intact? Any issues of this nature should be dealt with before the conversion begins.



This 10x8 ft [Dutch Barn](#) style tongue and groove shed makes a fantastic playhouse.

Take a look at the condition of the shed itself. Are there any rough areas that could cause splinters on the door and window frames? A quick sand will remove these, and make the playhouse child-friendly and splinter-free. It will also help the paint or stain take better when you decorate.

Interior walls are unlikely to need sanding, even if the surfaces are rough. When you insulate the shed, you can cover the insulation with plywood.

If you're converting an existing shed, check what kind of base it has. Will the playhouse hold heavy gear, like a pool table for older kids? Then look into installing a stronger base, such as paving slabs or concrete.

Also, take a good look at your chosen site. Is it level? Considering your strict positioning needs (e.g. in direct line of sight of the house), a slight slope may be unavoidable. But you can use timber and bricks to shore up one side. Or, cut into the slope, building a retaining wall at the back. A consultation with a builder may be wise to ensure its long-term stability.

4) Make a Job List

	Duration	To be done by	Prep	Day 1	Day 2	Day 3	Day 4	Day 5	Day 6	Day 7
1										
2	1hr	self								
3	30 mins	self								
4										
5	30-60 mins	self								
6	30 mins	self								
7										
8										
9	2 days	self								
10	2 days	self								
11	2 days	self								
12	1 day	self/contractor								
13	1-2 days	electrician								
14	1 day	electrician								
15	2 hours	electrician								

A spreadsheet marking out jobs and timings will help you keep track of the conversion.

This will help you track your family's progress with the playhouse conversion, as well as making sure you have all your supplies you might need at the right time.

If your children are old enough, involve them in the process. Give them ownership of some of the easier jobs, like picking out the paint they want - and painting the playhouse - or helping to organise the storage. They'll want to have a say in what's in the playhouse and how it looks.

Now it's time for some project management. Experience with this isn't necessary if you follow this simple DIY project management process:

- Create a spreadsheet and write a list of every job that needs doing. You'll have at least one job for each of your Requirements.
- Add columns for:
 - How long each job might take.
 - Who's doing the job. Will you need a professional? Can your children pitch in and help?
- Put the jobs in the approximate order that you think they need to be done.
- Add and label columns for:
 - Preparation;
 - Day 1, day 2, day 3, etc. (up to 20 days, or however many you need). Day 1 is the day that the playhouse conversion starts.
- For each job, shade the corresponding cell for the day you will work on it.
- Jobs that need doing before work on the shed starts should be marked as such in the preparation column. For example: 'Buy new shed'.
- When you know the date that the work will start, swap out "day 1" and "day 2" with the actual dates.

This spreadsheet will help you track your progress, make sure you have supplies and contractors for the right days. There's a template for this at <http://bit.ly/waltons-conversion-planner> that you can copy for your own planning.



Test colours for your shed on offcuts to decide on the best for your playhouse. Image: [shutterstock](https://www.shutterstock.com)





*Cut back any plants that are touching or growing on your shed to help prevent damp.
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5) Damp-proofing

There are a few simple measures that will help prevent damp spreading in the playhouse:

- Remove or cut back any shrubs or bushes that touch the outside of your shed.
- Make sure the roofing felt stays intact.
- Install a damp-proof membrane, if you choose a solid concrete foundation.
- Use liquid wood or an expanding, hardening foam filler to seal any gaps around the window and door frames.
- Fit a vapour barrier or a breathable membrane when insulating the shed walls.
- Install heating (see below for more details).

If damp is still an issue, use a [dehumidifier](#). If you don't have electricity in the playhouse, use an extension cord from your house into the shed to power for a few hours at a time.

6) Insulation

Insulating your shed will help to keep the playhouse in good condition. It adds another layer of protection against damp for any toys or books your children will keep in there. It provides some soundproofing as well, which is helpful if



*There are many types of insulation to choose from, providing solutions to cold and soundproofing.
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your kids are planning to use the playhouse for practising with musical instruments.

Try to insulate the walls, floor, and ceiling for maximum effect. The insulation will then be covered with ply, plasterboard or tongue and groove. These are some of the best ways to insulate your shed:

- **Walls.** There are a few options:
 - Plain or foil-coated bubble wrap is a cheap and simple form of insulation. But it's by no means the most effective. It's most insulative when the foil side is air-facing, which in a build like this, it won't be. There are alternatives...

- Glass and mineral wool (also known as fibreglass or rockwool respectively) comes in rolls, which can be cut to size and easily installed. It offers good thermal insulation and soundproofing. When installing, cover your eyes, mouth and nose properly, and wear gloves.
- Foam insulation boards (e.g. from brands like Kingspan and Celotex) are expensive but highly thermally efficient. Each board must be cut to size to allow for sockets and wiring. The boards can be used for floors or walls.
- **Floor.** Foam insulation boards are the best solution here. But if you're renovating an existing shed, a breathable membrane topped with a carpet off-cut or rug is a cheap, make-do measure.
- **Ceiling.** When installing ceiling insulation, be sure to leave a gap between the insulation and the roof to let moisture escape. These are two options to consider:
 - Natural and sustainable insulating materials, such as sheep's wool or hemp, are flexible and easy to install. They are also breathable, which can help prevent damp.
 - Glass and mineral wool, as suggested for walls.

7) Electricity



If you decide to go without mains electricity to the shed, think about solar power instead.

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Even if you've got the skills and experience, it's best to enlist a qualified professional to install the electricity. You'll need to have your work signed off by a pro for insurance purposes anyway. You can help your local spark by knowing the following:

- The number and location of power sockets and light switches you want in the playhouse
- A list of your electrical requirements (heaters, lights, etc)
- The location of your fuse box

But if you've decided to go without mains electricity in the playhouse because it won't be used much, consider solar or wind power instead. However, solar power is less reliable than access to mains electricity, especially during the winter months when artificial light is most needed.

8) Lighting

If you choose not to install electricity, battery-operated, wall-mounted push lights are a great choice. They are cheap to buy and maintain, and require only a nail or hook in the wall to hang. Kids can easily switch them on and off - as long as they are installed in easy reach.

But if you've wired the playhouse, there are several lighting options to choose from:

- **Fluorescent lights.** These are bright, cheap and energy efficient. But they might provide more illumination than you need.
- **Halogen.** Bright light, which can be repositioned and redirected when used in spotlights and track lighting.
- **LED lighting.** Versatile, cheap to run, and essential for a 12V system. As with halogen spots, adjustable LEDs can be pointed in the direction of reading or craft areas where brighter light is needed.

Lamps are cheap, cost nothing to install and can be moved anywhere. But, depending on the age of your children and how raucous play is likely to get, these might not be the safest choice as they can be knocked and damaged. It may be safer to consider a more out-of-the-way option.

Also bear in mind that if the playhouse will be used by younger children, lighting needs will be less as the shed will mostly be used during the daytime.

9) Heating



Underfloor heating means there are no exposed elements for children to burn themselves on.

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Properly heating your children's playhouse will help make it a comfortable place to play, no matter what the time of year. It'll also protect their books and toys from getting mouldy as a result of damp.

If the shed is well-insulated, it shouldn't be too expensive to keep the space above the dew point - the point at which moisture condenses on cool surfaces. There are several heating options available:

- **Tube heater.** Plugged into a wall socket, these thin heating tubes take up little space. They're cheap, and safe to run.
- **Underfloor heating.** Maintains an even, steady temperature across a shed. It's costly to install, but often requires less energy than standalone heaters. There are no exposed heating elements, however, making this a good choice for those with younger children. But be aware, any maintenance issues can mean you have to take up the floor.
- **Electric heater or portable radiator.** Good for a quick blast of heat and safe to run, but they are not efficient. The heat may not extend to all of the playhouse, leaving some areas (and toys) at risk of damp.
- **Halogen heater.** Reasonably cheap to buy and run, but the front grille can get very hot, so may not be appropriate for children rough & tumbling.
- **Electric radiator.** Safe, convenient and cheap to run. But, they are wall-mounted and so take up precious space.

- **Electric convection heater.** Either freestanding or wall-mounted, these are cost-effective to install and maintain. Can feature thermostats and (as any plug-in heater can) timers so you can make sure the playhouse is a good temperature before they go to play.

The electricity-free options, such as gas and paraffin heaters and wood stoves, aren't safe for use in a children's playhouse. But solar powered air heaters could be an alternative, especially as it's unlikely that the kids will be playing in there after dark.

10) Internet



Think about whether you want to have an internet connection to the playhouse. Image: [shutterstock](#)

If you want the playhouse to have internet access, there are a couple of ways to connect:

- **Home WiFi.** But the further the playhouse is from the house, the weaker the signal.
- **WiFi Extender.** This can extend the reach of WiFi signal up to 30 metres.
- **Tethering** laptops to mobile phones and using their mobile's signal and data is easy, but can be expensive
- **Powerline Adapter.** This creates a second network, built on your home's existing connection. It does require your mains electricity to extend to the playhouse. Once set up, an adapter plugged into a socket in the shed is the source of the new WiFi signal.

11) Water



A water butt is an easy way to collect water for plants or for garden games. Image: [shutterstock](#)

For a low-tech way to give your children access to water for their games, rather than drinking, you can install guttering along the playhouse's roof that leads to a water butt. It's easy to fit, and many water butts come as a kit with guttering.

This solution has the added bonus of draining the water away from your playhouse's roof, further protecting the structure from damp.

12) Security



Motion sensitive lighting can help protect your shed from intruders. Image: [shutterstock](#)

If your children are storing gaming equipment or anything else of value in the playhouse, you need to take security measures. These are some to consider:

- **Laminated glass windows** that won't smash if they get hit with a stray football.
- **Alarm** wired into your home burglar alarm system.

- **Motion-sensitive security lights** to put off would be thieves and help you in the dark.
- **Curtains or blinds** to conceal your valuables.
- **Strong locks and a reinforced door.** A standard shed door wouldn't be challenging for a thief to get around. Consider reinforcing your shed door with sheet metal, especially the area behind the lock.
- **Garden.** Make the garden difficult to get into, and burglars will be deterred.
- **Hinges.** Use coach bolts with rounded heads to secure your hinges. Anything less, and potential thieves will simply unscrew the hinges of your doors and windows, making your other security measures pointless.

Finally, make sure your shed and contents are insured.

13) Storage

Clever storage solutions will maximise the amount of toys and games your children can keep in the playhouse, as well as giving them more space to play in. But for young kids, remember to keep it at a low level so they can reach everything themselves.

Here are some ideas to think about:

- **Stackable, clear plastic boxes.** Cheap, damp-proof, and easy for kids to see what's inside each one.
- **Thin, plastic storage boxes on wheels** that can be stored underneath a play table.
- **Buckets** hanging from the wall, storing miscellaneous items like lego or pens.
- **Shelves** for books, blocks and other items. Or old wooden crates, painted and affixed to the wall.
- **Pegboard** for hanging hats, clothes or small shelves or magnetic toolbars for toy cars or other metal toys.
- **Plastic hanging baskets** for storing stuffed animals.
- **Old laundry baskets or vintage suitcases** for fancy dress clothes.
- **Rolling cube tables.** Ideal for a playhouse shared by multiple children. These can be pushed together to form one table or rolled apart for different activities. Each child can

have their own, with their toys/art materials/books inside each one. As the children grow, the cubes can go from being tables to being chairs.

Consider investing in furniture that will double as both storage and seating. Storage benches are a great option - just take the bench cushion off and they have a pretend dining table or the plank of a pirate ship. Put the bench cushion back on, add a few more cushions, and you've got a great place to sit and read.

14) Decoration



The whole family can get involved in decorating inside and outside the playhouse. Image: [shutterstock](#)

Decorating the playhouse is a great task to involve your children in. What colour do they want to paint the inside and the outside? Do they have a playhouse name picked out that you could stencil above the door?

Much of the decoration will be specifically tailored to their favourite colours and activities, but here are some ideas to get you started:

- **Bright colours.** Painting the walls with your childrens' favourite bright colours will help to keep a happy atmosphere in the playhouse.
- **Blackboard wall.** Cheap and easy to do with a few coats of blackboard paint. Provide a big box of coloured chalk and a rag for cleaning.
- **Magnetic wall.** There's hours of fun to be had rearranging letters, words or shapes on a magnetic board - and it'll free up the front of your fridge! A sheet of galvanized steel, or even a metal cooker backsplash will do the job easily.
- **Stencils.** Can be used inside or outside, showing favourite animals, shapes, or the letters of your children's names. Make your own, or buy pre-made.
- **Shopkeeper mural.** If there's space to set up a pretend shop counter, a painting of shelves stocked with tins and packets brings life to a game of 'shopkeeper'.
- **Vinyl wall stickers.** Easy to remove and replace as childrens' tastes change.
- **Bean bag chairs.** Comfy to sit on, and stackable to save space.
- **Reading corner.** Add a fluffy rug, some alphabet cushions, a bean bag, and book storage.
- **Bunting or flags.** Pirate flags or bunting will add character and colour to any playhouse.
- **Picture bunting.** Hang their own artwork (using clothes pegs) from ribbon strung across the playhouse.
- **Rugs** for warmth, colour and comfort. Or carpet offcuts (if the playhouse's activities will be messy). Floors can be painted wood, or easy-to-clean lino.
- **Colourful curtains or blinds** will add warmth and cosiness to the playhouse, while also giving a measure of security.
- **Welcome mat** makes it feel homely, as well as keeping some of the worst dirt outside.
- **Floor games** like Twister or a chessboard painted on the floor make it easy for kids to play with minimal setup.
- **Window boxes or potted plants** for green-fingered children will add life and colour to the playhouse.

And then get your kids to move in as many books, toys, art materials and blankets as they'd like. The only limit is your (or their) imagination. If you've done your planning properly, there'll be plenty of room for the pretend kitchen, shop counter, car track and space station. Then it's time to play.



Make sure you have everything you need to complete your playhouse conversion before you start.
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You should now be able to tackle the conversion of a new or existing shed into a playhouse. Planning is the most important stage. Be sure to use professionals for plumbing and electrical work to ensure your project conforms to building regulations.

Resources

Find more help with your conversion here:

[Waltons help pages](#)
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Pressure-treated wood like on this [10' x 7'](#) from Waltons needs no yearly maintenance other than annual treatment.



This large [15' x 10'](#) workshop has double doors and three windows for maximum natural light.