

Cottontop Tamarin Enrichment Cube

Materials Used

- Twelve (12) ½ in. diameter PVC tubes, measuring 1 ft in length each
- Eight (8) ½ in diameter 3-way elbow PVC connectors
- Clear PVC glue
- Six (6) eyelet screw hooks
- Thin chain to hang
- Electric drill

Precautions

- Make sure you complete this project in a place with proper ventilation
- PVC glue dries quickly and emits fumes, wear a mask and gloves!

How To Build

- 1) Make sure the pieces fit together to make a cube as shown below:



- 2) Using PVC glue, insert the PVC tubes into the connectors.
 - a. Make sure you work quickly! The glue dries fast!
- 3) Let the connections set for at least 24 hours before continuing to the next step.
- 4) Drill a small hole in two (2) elbow connectors on opposite corners of the cube
 - a. Screw in two (2) of the eyelet screw hooks into these holes
 - b. These will be used to hang your cube!

- 5) Drill a small hole on the underside of the four (4) PVC tubes along the top of the cube
 - a. Screw in the remaining four (4) eyelet screw hooks into these holes
 - b. These will be used to hang your enrichment toys!
- 6) Use a torch to char the cube to make it look like wood
 - a. Make sure you do this in a well-ventilated area and with a respirator!
- 7) Attach the chains to the eyelet hooks on the top of the cube
- 8) Hang it up, attach your toys, and enjoy!



Cottontop Tamarin Feeding Honeycomb

Materials Used

- About 40-50 pieces of PVC tubes of various sizes
 - 1/2 in diameter, 3/4 in diameter, and 2 in diameter
 - May be pre-cut in ~4 in pieces or 2 ft long in length to cut later
- Two (2) 3 in. x 4 in. x 2 ft. Cedar Board
- Two (2) 3 in. x 4 in. x 1.5 ft. Cedar Board
- Outdoor wood screws
- Clear PVC glue
- Clear wood varnish and sealant
- Two (2) screw-in swing hooks
- Thick chain to hang
- Electric drill
- Electric saw

Precautions

- Make sure you complete this project in a place with proper ventilation
- PVC glue dries quickly and emits fumes, wear a mask and gloves!

How To Build

- 1) Varnish and seal cedar boards to waterproof them
 - a. Let dry for at least 12 hrs
- 2) Arrange the cedar boards to create a frame to put the PVC pieces into
 - a. Using the outdoor wood screws, secure three of the four sides of the frame
 - b. The last piece will be attached later!
- 3) ***IF NOT USING PRE-CUT PIECES***
 - a. Cut PVC pieces in ~4 in segments to fit along the frame
 - b. Be creative! Some pieces may be shorter or longer than others to create dimension
 - c. File down the edges to make them smooth
- 4) Arrange the PVC pieces in whatever arrangement you like inside the frame! Vary the sizes and shapes of the tubes to create a variety of tunnels for the Tamarins to climb into and explore!



- 5) After you have your desired pattern, glue the PVC pieces to the wood frame and each other, working one row at a time
 - a. For added security, fasten the PVC pieces along the frame with outdoor wood screws ***MAKE SURE THEY ARE FILED DOWN TO PREVENT INJURY***
- 6) Attach top piece of the frame using outdoor woods screws
- 7) Drill two (2) small holes on the top of the frame
 - a. Screw in the two (2) screw-in swing hooks
 - b. These will be used to hang your honeycomb!
- 8) Use a torch to char the tubes to make them look like wood
 - a. Make sure you do this in a well-ventilated area and with a respirator!
- 9) Attach the chains to the eyelet hooks on the top of the frame
- 10) Hang it up, hide food/treats, and enjoy!

