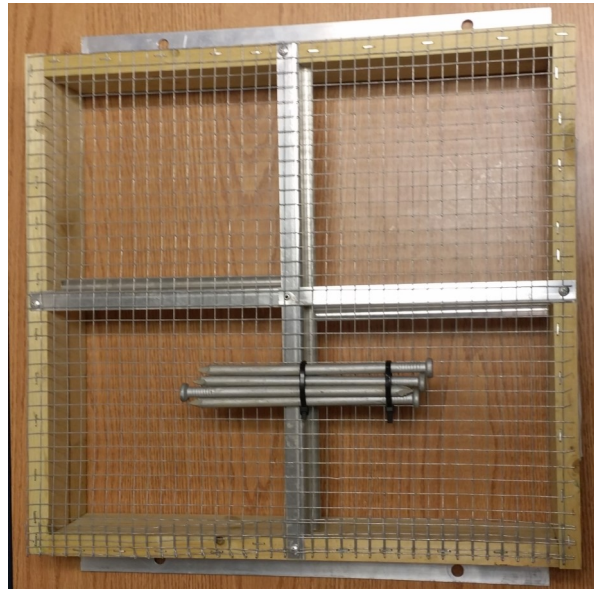


BUILD YOUR OWN TURTLE NEST PROTECTOR!

MATERIALS

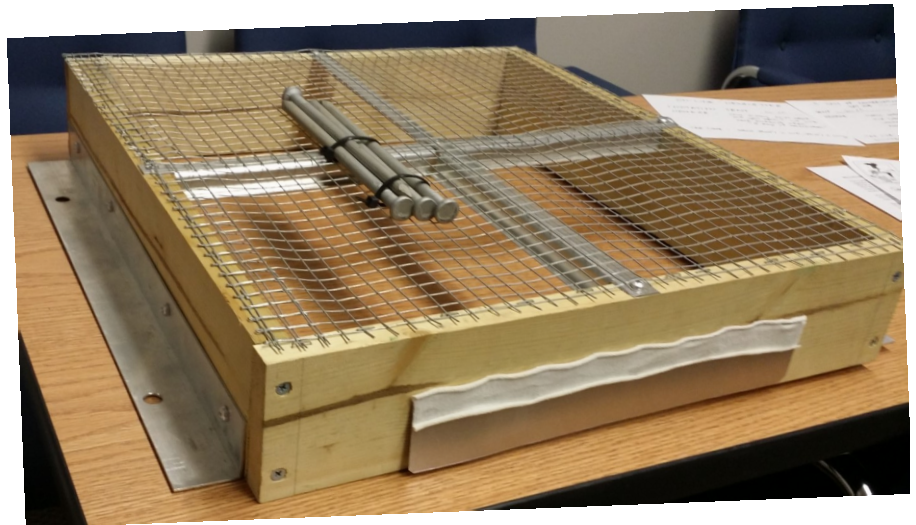
You will need one each of the following items:

- 8' x 1" x 4" lumber
- 18" x 18" hardware cloth (0.5" squares)
- 3' x 0.5" x 0.5" aluminum angle
- 3' x 1.5" x 1.5" aluminum angle
- 10' x 1" x 0.5" strip of aluminum sheet
- 10" x 1" x 0.5" strip of soft cloth



Additional items include the following:

- 8 each 2" flat head screws
- 10 each 1" screws
- 4 each 10" landscape spikes
- Waterproof glue



Instructions

1. Cut the 1"x4" lumber into 17.25" pieces and drill two holes in one end of each piece. Cut a 1" x 8" notch in one side of one side of one piece (this will be the exit door for hatchlings).
2. Cut the 0.5" x 0.5" aluminum angle into 18" pieces. Notch the ends of each piece to fit over the sides of the box. Notch the center of one angle to fit over the other angle. Drill a hole in the ends of each angle and screw them to the box at the center of each side.
3. Place the hardware cloth over the top of the box and staple it into place.
4. Cut the 1.5" x 1.5" angle into 18" pieces. Drill 3 holes (0.25") in one leg of each piece and 2 holes (0.5") in the other leg. Screw the angles to the side of the box.
5. Glue the cloth strip to the aluminum strip lappit halve over then glue the cloth to the box over the 1" x 8" notch. This creates a door from which hatchlings can emerge but helps prevents predators from reaching into the box.