

Here's The Right Way To Build A Chicken Coop!

If you have a hammer and nails or a good drill, and a weekend afternoon, you can build your own [chicken](#) coop, spending less than the price of a new one or even for free.

Craigslist and local retail outlets are often a good source of used pallets, empty wooden crates and other scrap wood that you can get for free or at a minimal cost. You just need to know how to do it!

Chicken wire can be affordably sourced at a local hardware or farm supply store, along with a few hinges and a lock. With an afternoon of labor you can have a secure chicken coop for a handful of laying hens.

Here's a really cool infographic from [Urban Chickens Network](#) about steps to take when building a chicken coop!

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Ideas For Your Next Chicken Coop

1.5 Chickens only sleep in coop and roost (long fence post or pole) so you can go inside to capture it, if bird

10.0 capture but avoid chickens in their run

3-5.0 capture but avoid chickens. Early morning and late afternoon are best

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1. Build up an arch and add extra stone into the arch to ensure waterproofing.
2. A stone is using for a raised base.
3. Use of plaster. Incomplete at night so plaster goes onto the inside of the arch.
4. The stone will make a good fill though you could do it.
5. The limestone could be broken up using a hammer and used as some kind of a concrete to replace it in the drainage.
6. Consider making your own concrete setting from bags of **toppers** for more strength.

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A stylized illustration of a farm scene. On the left, a circular inset shows two white chickens in a dark, enclosed space, possibly a coop. On the right, a larger scene shows several brown and white chickens in a bright, open field with a wooden fence and a barn in the background.

Don't want your wire or a rod to protrude from inside of your pen?

Position plates to hide bands if they aren't under rating.

- 1) Weld rod(s) on top of 4 corner blocks will work.
- 2) Take excess rod(s) around corner.
- 3) Place in corner of pen.
- 4) 1st division too far from corner.
- 5) Second corner for pen goes here.

Turn your children's pen into a multi-purpose space by filling with fun items, activities, toys, gross cleaning & other unique materials.

- 1) Build a solid bench and use some of the bench for making the changing large quantities of material like foam, clay, paper & old leaves material.
- 2) Use your bench to make a bench for your children to sit on & use it as a bench for your children to sit on & use it as a bench for your children to sit on.

Want your children to lounge for more time?

Keeping it clean inside the camp

- Rinse the wetting rag.
- Wipe the container.

Keeping it clean outside the camp

- Place the container outside the camp.
- Bury the container in clean grass.

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