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▶ CAT PERCH

This exclusive DIY kit shows you how to build a cat perch.

Materials:

Piece of scrap plywood (about the width of your window)
3" "L" brackets
8" shelving brackets
Pliers
Screwdriver
Short wood screws
Some carpet
Staple gun and staples
Small felt shelving pads
Pair of safety glasses/goggles

1. Use the screws to attach the small "L" brackets to one end of the scrap plywood (**figure A**). The brackets will fit under a sliding window.
2. Take the carpet, wrap it around the plywood and staple it in place.
3. Using the pliers, bend the ends of the two shelving brackets about 1/2" away from the tips (**figure B**). Bend one end toward the inside angle and the other end away from it.
4. Set the board in the window (**figure C**) and mark the place for the shelving brackets. You'll have to adjust for your particular window.
5. Attach the ends that are bent toward the inside angle to the carpeted board. If your screws are too long, they'll poke through the other side of the board, so short screws will work best.
6. Stick some shelving pads on the ends that touch the wall (**figure D**).



This exclusive D shows you how cat perch.



Figure A



Figure B

Your cat now has the best seat in the house!



Figure C



Figure D