



# Build a trebuchet

Siege warfare - what do you know about it?

All sorts of weird and wonderful machines were built to enable projectiles to be thrown at the walls of castles. So, first off will be a visit to the internet. There you will discover that a unique community of people are experimenting with these age old machines and having great fun.

You too can join in on the fun.

First things first, you need to design and build your trebuchet. We are talking big stuff here, not the bamboo ballista's you made for the Beaver Scouts and Cub Scouts. So, you will need timber, weights, ropes and ammo. Then there is the testing and tweaking and ensuring that it throws your ammo far enough.

Then, when you have it all together you need targets and a war (challenge another venture unit)



Things you need to learn

- How a trebuchet works
- How to build a trebuchet
- Safety precautions to be observed
- How to test and tweak the design
- How to make flour and water bombs

Internet link