



*Design~Build~Live announces a new natural building workshop*

## **Building with Juniper Roundwood**

**Saturday Oct 11, 9am-5pm**

**Austin, Texas**

*Learn how to build beautiful, natural juniper elements for you home and landscape*

We in Central Texas are very fortunate to have access to one of the most beautiful, durable woods for use in building - ashe juniper. Commonly called “cedar”, this often-maligned tree is a blessing for those of us in the natural building world. It can be milled into beautiful slabs for uses such as window sills or headers; or better yet, it can be used in its beautifully flowing irregular shape for arbors, garden gates, balustrades, trellises and much more.

Using natural, unmilled wood, or roundwood is not only unique and beautiful, but it is a sustainable thing to do in that it uses a regional material that is generally considered a waste wood, transportation fuel and costs are minimized, and milling energy is avoided. Working with roundwood is much different from working with rectilinear milled wood.

This workshop, led by Austin’s premier natural builder and craftsman, Frank Meyer ([www.thangmaker.com](http://www.thangmaker.com)), will demonstrate the types of tools and techniques involved in working with this sculptural material. We will construct a porch arbor on the front of a charming, 1930’s era, central Austin home in the Rosedale area.



Fee for the workshop is \$75 and includes a healthy vegetarian lunch, water, coffee and tea. Enrollment is limited to twelve people, so please register early.

For questions contact Gayle: [gayle@designbuildlive.org](mailto:gayle@designbuildlive.org) or 512-478-9033. To register for the workshop, visit <http://www.designbuildlive.org/workshop.html>