ASHFORD FIRE PIT

INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS



Site Layout Firepit:

Dry-lay a ring of (16) sixteen blocks. Place the blocks side to side until you have a perfect circle positioned where you want the finished Fire Pit to be. You may have to adjust the blocks slightly to create the circle. Now mark the outside diameter of the Fire Pit (approximately 48") with a spade or flat edge shovel. You can also create the circle using a grade stake and string line. (Hammer the grade stake at the center-point of the Fire Pit site and tie the string to the grade stake. Measure out from the grade stake a minimum of 24" (the outside dimension or diameter of the Fire Pit is 48" and the radius of the circle is 24"). You can mark the outside of the circle or circumference of the Fire Pit with marking paint or a garden hose).

Drainage and Placement:

Using a spade or flat edge shovel, dig a straight sided hole a minimum of 12" deep. You want to remove all the soil and have a flat hole on the bottom. Take a hand tamper and compact the soil at the bottom of the hole. Now place the $\frac{3}{4}$ " clean drainage stone to a depth of 4". Compact the stone with the hand tamper, next place 4" of the concrete sand on top of the compacted drainage stone. Compact the sand making sure to get it as level as possible.

Place (16) Countryside Wall Blocks on the sand to make a circle. Use a stonedust base and then level. You can use a (2) two foot level to place and level individual blocks. Make sure the first block is level both side to side and front to back. When placing the first course of block it is best to use a rubber mallet to level each block as it is being installed. Once you've set the first course you can do a final check for level with a (4) four foot level by placing the level across the width of the Fire Pit. This will help to "set" each block and help to prevent movement due to freeze-thaw during the winter and early spring months.

Moveable or Permanent:

The Kit can be set up as either moveable or permanent. For a moveable pit stack the remaining courses making sure to stagger (do not place directly in line) the joints with the course below. A Moveable Fire Pit would be good if you are undecided where the Fire Pit would look best or work best for you. Or in the event you can't have a permanent structure in place.

For permanent placement, follow the instructions above, and then place 2 generous beads of adhesive between courses. The first Bead about 1" in from the outside radius and the second Bead about 1" in from the inside edge forming two rows along the block. (no Beading is needed on the last course laid it isn't necessary for it is the top of your Fire Pit).

FOR GROUND INSTALLAITON: Building Supplies Needed:

"Countryside" wall stones Heavy duty steel ring ¾" clean drainage gravel, coarse sand (concrete sand) construction adhesive

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Ashford Fire Pit Dimensions:

Countryside wall block size 9" W/6"x 8"Dx 4"H Number of pieces per course: 16 Diameter: Inside 30" Outside 48" Height: (3) Courses 12"H, (4) Courses 16"H Recommend (1) Course below finished grade or ground level. Pallet Weight: 1475 lbs

Recommended Tools:

Flat edge shovel or spade, steel rake, hand tamper, level, rubber mallet, caulking gun (for construction adhesive)

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Location:

Choose a location for your Fire Pit that isn't close to trees, shrubs buildings or anything that may catch fire. Also, be sure there are no underground utilities, such as wires, cables or pipes. Check with your city or Town Hall/Fire Marshall for ordinances or regulations regarding open fires. Building codes may require minimum setback distances from structures or outdoor furniture.