

Installation Instruction for Pre-Formed Ponds

**A Beautiful Pond Enhances Any Garden, Providing A Tranquil Setting
For Hours Of Relaxation.**

A Preformed Pond Is...

- Durable heavy-duty polyethylene
- Resists destructive ultraviolet rays
- 18" depth provides year-round habitat for fish
- Resists fading, cracking, chipping
- Two depths for a variety of water plants
- Ideal for fountains, statuary and waterfalls

Pond Installation In 5 Easy Steps

1. Select a location for your pond. Although attractive ponds can be created in shady locations, certain plants, (such as water lilies) require 4-6 hours of direct sunlight daily. Place pond in the desired location and mark the perimeter with a shovel.
2. Remove pond and dig the hole slightly **LARGER** and **DEEPER** than the actual perimeter and depth of the pond. Remove any stones, roots, or other obstructions that might puncture or warp the pond. Make sure to shape the hole to correspond to the shape of the contour and shelf locations of the pond.
3. Cover the bottom of the hole with a shallow layer of sand and set the pond on the sand. Using a straight board, and carpenters level, shift the pond on the sand bed until it is level in every direction. The pond should be level and the rim slightly above ground level before back filling.
4. Back-fill the hole around the pond with sand or loose fine soil **WHILE FILLING THE POND WITH WATER** at the same rate. It is important to fill and back-fill simultaneously; the weight of the water will ensure that the back-fill soil does not bend the pond wall. Recheck the level as you go. Stop and re-level is necessary. Remember that the weight of the water must be supported by the packed soil around it, not the plastic wall. It is important that the soil be filled tightly around the pond and completely under all shelves.
5. After the pond is completely filled, place rocks around the perimeter and landscape as desired. Place potted marginal plants on the shelves and lilies or lotus in the deeper sections. Algae growth will be substantially controlled by 60-70% plant coverage of the water surface. Adding fish will create a balanced ecosystem. A submersible pump may be added to create a waterfall or fountain as desired.