

HOW TO BUILD A FIRE PIT

With the right materials and proper foundation, you can install a Belgard® fire pit in a day. You can add a charming focal point to your outdoor living space with a DIY fire pit kit, which can be installed on your existing patio or landscape.

🕒 TIME TO COMPLETE: 1 hour **🔧 DEGREE OF DIFFICULTY:** Beginner



MATERIALS

- 36 Blocks
- 7 Gauge Heavy-Duty Steel Insert
- 2 Tubes of Masonry Adhesive
- 5 Bags of Sakrete All-Purpose Gravel (availability varies by region)
- 2 Bags of Leveling Sand (optional)

RECOMMENDED TOOLS

- Marking paint, tape measure, rubber mallet, tamper, 2'L level, caulk gun, rake and spade shovel.
- Safety glasses, gloves and knee pads are optional, but strongly recommended.

Please note that colors and shape may vary by region.

If you are looking for inspiration or need any additional information, visit www.lowes.com/belgard to see how Belgard and Lowe's can bring your vision to life.



STEP 1: PROJECT PREP

- Survey the area you intend to build it in. Ensure sure you have enough room, and that the ground is stable. **TIP:** Check with your local municipalities to ensure that proper setbacks for wood burning are maintained.
- All of the blocks and other materials needed for the DIY fire pit kit will be included on the package pallet. If you have any questions, take your measurements to your local Lowe's and work with an associate to determine the best location to build your fire pit.
- In addition to block, you also need a gravel mix that has 3/4" sized gravel down to fine dust, so the material will compact well.



STEP 2: EXCAVATION & BASE PREP

- Mark the space you will be building your project using marking paint. Remove all sod, rocks and topsoil. **TIP:** It's a good idea to excavate 6" past the overall size.
- Level and tamp the excavated area. Add gravel and moisten with water slightly to aid compaction.
- Use your rake to spread and flatten the gravel. **TIP:** Use a household level to ensure the gravel is level in all directions.
- Using the hand tamper, firmly compact all the gravel evenly. The final elevation of the gravel should be about 4" below the finished height of the surrounding landscape.



STEP 3: INSTALLATION

- Begin placing the block units from your fire pit kit in the first layer blocks. **TIP:** There are a total of 12 blocks in each of the 3 layers.
- The tapered side will determine the overall radius. Use a level to make sure the units are level in all directions.
- Continue adding the second and third layers of block.



STEP 4: FINISHING TOUCHES

- Apply adhesive between each layer of block using a caulk gun. **TIP:** Allow adhesive to cure 24hrs before using the pit.
- Use the level to make the blocks are aligned. Set the metal insert into the center once all the blocks are in place.

Please note that the images above are included as a reference. We recommend Belgard Weston Retaining Wall Blocks when building a firepit, which are available Lowe's. Colors and availability vary by region.