

Valencia



FIREPIT

Installation guide and owner's manual

TECHO — BLOC

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Product Profile

Valencia is a versatile product that can be installed as a fire pit with the use of the Accessory Kit or can be used to build a circular garden wall or planter. Whatever application you decide to use, Valencia will blend in perfectly with your landscape décor and enhance your outdoor living space.

General information

PLEASE SAVE THIS OWNER'S MANUAL FOR FUTURE REFERENCE

Check with your municipality for regulations on the installation and use of outdoor fire pits. We also recommend that you contact your home insurance company and advise them of the acquisition of your new Techo-Bloc fire pit.

IMPORTANT

This fire pit is for **OUTDOOR USE ONLY**. NEVER build a fire pit for use in a house, warehouse, gazebo, garage, or any other indoor setting.

Check with your municipality for minimum clearance distances. Make sure that there is nothing directly above the fire pit area that can be a potential fire and/or injury hazard (e.g. tree branches, awnings, patio umbrellas, electrical wires, transformers, cantilevered roof structures, etc.).

When selecting the location of your fire pit, make sure that it is located at least 20 feet away from any structure or building, unless indicated otherwise by the gas fire pit (if applicable) manufacturer.

WE RECOMMEND THAT GAS FIRE PIT PRODUCTS ARE INSTALLED BY PROFESSIONALS LOCALLY LICENSED BY THE AUTHORITY HAVING JURISDICTION IN GAS PIPING. REFER TO MANUFACTURER'S INSTALLATION AND OPERATION INSTRUCTIONS.

Components



A. Valencia Block



B. Gas Kit - Natural or Liquid Propane
(sold separately)



C. Smokeless Insert
(sold separately)



D. Outpost Adjustable Grill
(sold separately)

Foundation Preparation

FOR A GAS FIRE PIT, PLAN THE INSTALLATION (GAS LINE, RISER) ACCORDINGLY WITH A PROFESSIONAL LOCALLY LICENSED BY THE AUTHORITY HAVING JURISDICTION IN GAS PIPING. REFER TO MANUFACTURER'S INSTALLATION AND OPERATION INSTRUCTIONS.

PAVER SURFACE OR CONCRETE SLAB

If you are building the fire pit on an existing paver surface or concrete slab, allocate a 50" diameter circular area on your concrete pavement. Drill through the pavement to provide a 2" diameter drain hole at the lowest point. This will allow the rainwater to infiltrate into the ground. Fill the drain hole with clean stone. Go to step "Installation of Blocks".

COMPACTED GRAVEL BASE

Mark out a 55" diameter circle on the ground and excavate to accommodate 6" of well compacted, dense-graded aggregate base, a 1" layer of sand setting bed, and about 2" or 3" of fire pit wall that will be buried below ground. The aggregate base should extend at least 6" on all the sides of the fire pit walls.

It is recommended that a geotextile be laid on the top of the soil surface and up the sides of the excavated area.

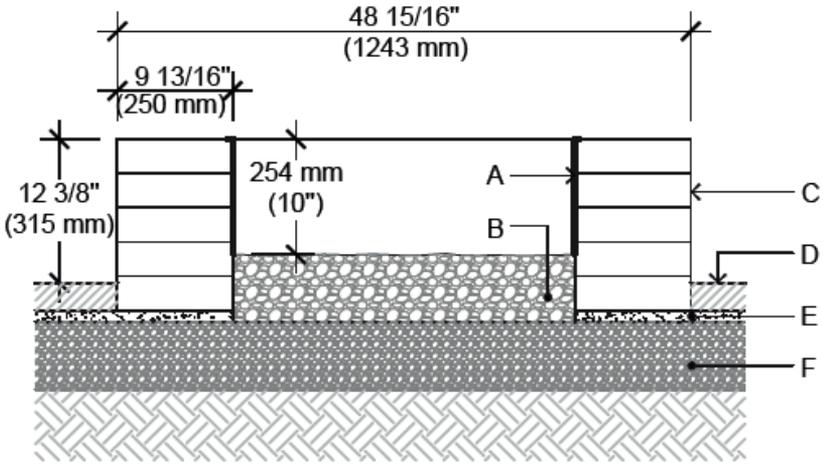
Place and uniformly compact the aggregate base. The aggregate base should be compacted, for best results, using a vibratory plate compactor, or hand tamper.

Spread 1" concrete sand setting bed and level using two 1" diameter pipes and a straight edge (such as a 2"x4"). Keep in mind that the 1" setting bed will be reduced to 5/8" once the wall blocks will be set into the sand setting bed with a mallet.

NOTE: if the fire pit is being installed along with a paver installation, the aggregate base course and setting bed of pavers can be extended to be used for the fire pit installation.



Installation Guide



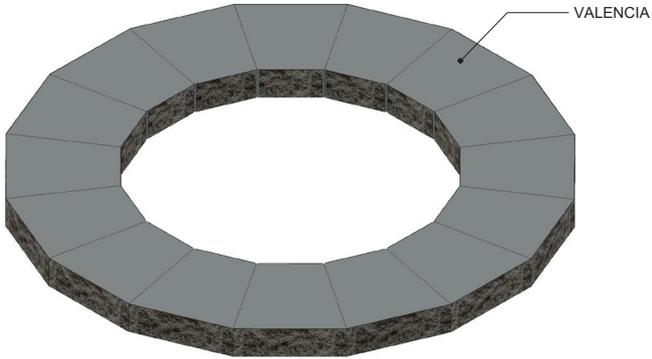
- A. STEEL BOX INSERT (FOR WOOD FIREPIT)
 - B. CLEAN STONE 3/4" (20 mm), 6" (150 mm)
 - C. VALENCIA BLOCK
 - D. TECHO-BLOC PAVERS OR SLABS
 - E. SETTING BED 1" (25 mm)
 - F. COMPACTED GRANULAR BASE 0-3/4" (0-20 mm)
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A. Place the first block in the following manner:

1. On a compacted stone foundation place the block approximately 3" from the edge of your circle.
2. On a concrete foundation, place the block on the edge of the circle diameter.

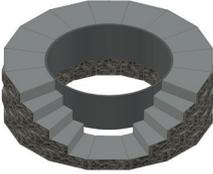
Ensure that the shorter width of the block is facing towards the center.

Lay another block next to the first one (in the same manner), make sure the sides of the blocks are resting tightly together and ensure that the front and back edges are aligned. While installing the first layer of blocks, make sure each block is perfectly leveled (front to back, side to side and block to block).



- B. When installing the second layer, using the insert as a template (when possible) taking into consideration the requirements of the specific insert selected, overlap the joints by placing the center of the bloc directly on top of the joint made by the two adjoining blocks beneath it.
- C. Glue the second layer of blocks to the first layer, using a heat resistant concrete adhesive. All units should be dry and dust free before applying adhesives. Any alignment adjustments should be done quickly as the adhesive will set up in a short amount of time and the block will set in place.
- D. Continue building up to the FOURTH layer by overlapping the joints and gluing the blocks.
- E. Install the last layer of blocks (caps). Take out the insert (wood or gas) and lift up each cap unit individually leaving the others in place to act as a guide. Apply adhesive to glue every cap unit to the blocks beneath it. Put the insert back with the flange resting on top of the cap units (if applicable, e.g. for the wood inserts).
- F. Fill the inside bottom of the fire pit with 4" (150 mm) of $\frac{3}{4}$ " (20 mm) clean stone to allow the filtration of rain water.
- G. Do not light a fire for at least 48 hours to allow any adhesive to cure properly and for potentially flammable fumes to dissipate.

Insert Options



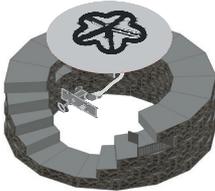
WOOD FIRE PIT SLEEVE INSERT INSTALLATION



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GAS KIT INSTALLATION

Operation and Maintenance

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- › The firepit is not designed for large fires. Fire should be contained at least 6" away from the firepit wall blocks. Overheating could lead to heat damage to the firepit components. Use only a small amount of dry and clean hardwood for burning.
- › Allow the fire to burn out on its own unless it is an emergency case. Extinguishing an active fire with water or any other liquid may cause the metal components of the accessory kit to warp and will encourage the formation of rust.
- › Do not burn charcoals, leaves, trash, paper, cardboard, and softwoods such as pine, cedar and plywood.
- › Do not use lighter fluid, gasoline, or other fire accelerants to start or maintain fires.
- › Never touch the steel insert and flange while a fire is lit. The steel insert and flange will become extremely hot and burn the skin on contact. Wear fire resistant gloves when maintaining the fire.
- › The fire pit area must always be clear and free from any combustible materials such as gasoline, propane tanks and/or any other flammable vapors and/or liquids.
- › Always have a fire extinguisher or garden hose nearby for any potential emergency.
- › Avoid using the fire pit in windy conditions.

- › At each use, before starting a fire, remove all accumulation of ashes, wood and debris from the fire bowl and inspect the overall fire pit and accessories to ensure that it is in safe operational condition.
- › Children and pets should NEVER be left unsupervised when the fire pit is in use. We highly recommend that good fire safety measures are practiced and that you and your guests maintain a minimum distance of 3 feet away from the fire pit to avoid potential injury.
- › Do not sit, lean on or stand on the fire pit wall.
- › Ensure that the fire pit area is always clear of toys, clothing, etc.
- › Do not use the fire pit for cooking purposes unless otherwise permitted by the manufacturer.
- › Never leave an active fire unattended.
- › It is recommended to replace the clean stone at the bottom of the fire pit annually to maintain proper water filtration.

***HPC / TECHO-BLOC PARTNERSHIP WARRANTY**

OUTDOOR FIRE PIT COMPONENTS	RESIDENTIAL	COMMERCIAL
Fire Pit Stainless Steel Burner	<i>Lifetime</i>	<i>Lifetime</i>
Outdoor Fireplace Burner	<i>Lifetime</i>	<i>Lifetime</i>
Electronic Ignition Components	3 Years	1 Year
Pilot Assemblies	2 Years	1 Year
Stainless Steel Components	5 Years	1 Year
Flex Lines	5 Years	1 Year
Regulators	3 Years	1 Year
Outdoor Log Sets	3 Years	3 Years
Fire Pit Cover	3 Years	1 Year

**Warranty is for parts only and does not include any labor charges that may be incurred.*



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Raffinato 12" x 24" caps included. Metal fire pit insert sold separately.
The installation of a sleeve or accessory kit will prevent damages to your fire pit

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