

Outdoor Bar



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Create a casual atmosphere for mingling with family and friends by adding an outdoor bar in your backyard. Serve up your favorite beverages and create memories all season long.

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Provided are instructions to build the following:

Free-Standing Bar

Number of blocks needed for this project:

- 10 AB Dublin (TOTAL)
 - 3 AB Dublin cut at raised ring
 - 28 AB York
 - 28 Corner Blocks (TOTAL)
 - 6 Custom Cut Corners
- Flexible Concrete Adhesive
- 1 Outdoor Countertop Material
 - 1 - 36 in. x 104 in. (90 cm x 265 cm)



Some of the tools you will need:

- Saw with a diamond blade
- Level
- Square
- Hammer & Chisel
- Gloves
- Tape Measure
- Safety Glasses

These are the exact numbers based on our installation. We would recommend purchasing additional block to accommodate for design changes, shipping or breakage.

Blocks used in this project.

AB Dublin Block



AB York Block



Corner Block



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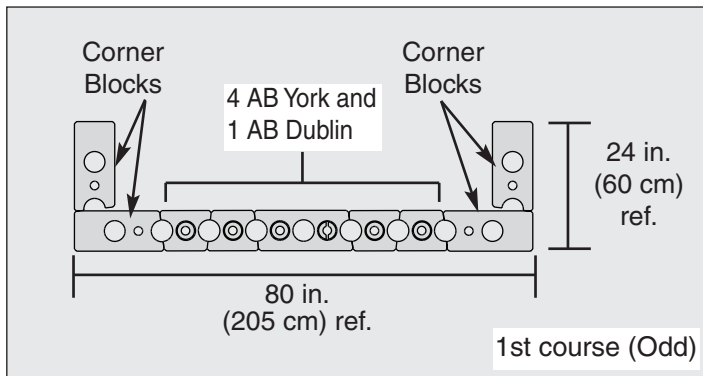
Installation

Step 1 Build 1st Course Free-Standing Bar

Start by locating the placement of the bar on the patio. Place the bar to allow one to walk behind easily and centered with the grill surround.

The final length of the bar will be 80 in. (205 cm) and 24 in. (60 cm) deep (ref.) It can be adjusted longer or shorter by adding or removing blocks in the back wall panel.

Starting at the corner, install 2 Corner Blocks perpendicular to each other, long side facing out, to make a 90 degree corner. Then install 4 AB Yorks and 1 AB Dublin block to build the back wall panel. Finish by installing 2 more Corner Blocks to match the corner on the other side.



Determine Location for Bar

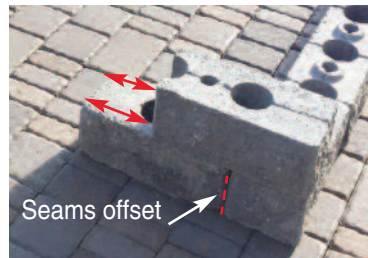


Build the First Course

Step 2 Build 2nd Course

On the second course, custom cut Corner Blocks will be needed to create a vertical end on both sides, as well as 2 cut blocks to create the wall panel.

Start by placing one Corner Block so that it is offset from Corner Blocks below.

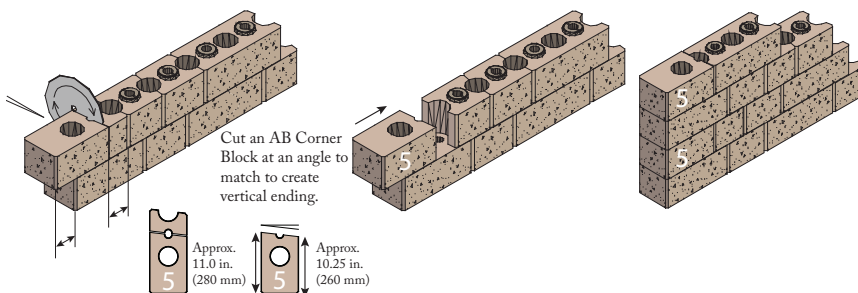


Measure the space to the end and custom cut 2 Corner Blocks to complete the end on both sides of the layout. On every other course, these Corner Blocks will be cut to create a vertical end.



Second Course

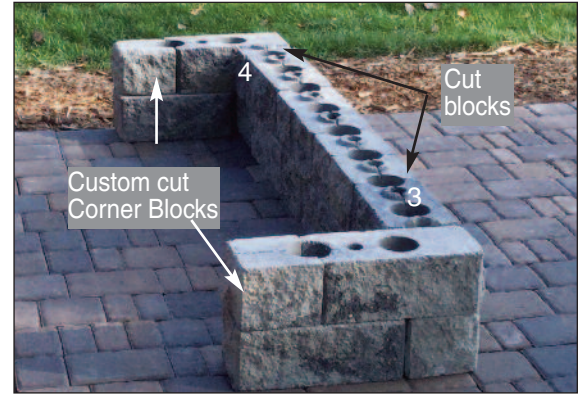
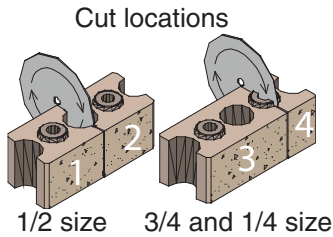
Finishing with a Vertical End



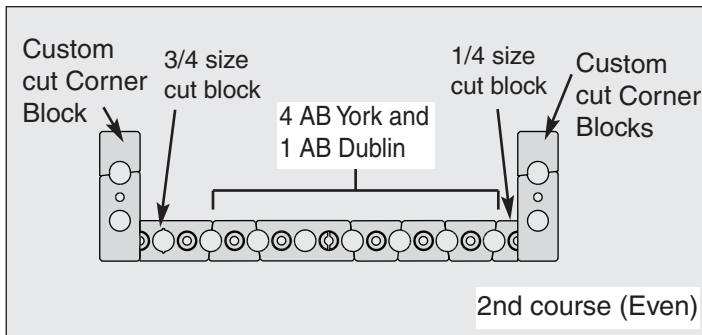
Start Back Wall

Installation

Build the wall panel starting with a 3/4 sized cut block. This creates a straight side to the block to place against the Corner Block. Using 3 AB York and 1 AB Dublin, build the 2nd course of the back wall panel. At the next corner, end with a 1/4 size cut block, cut side out to meet up with the Corner Block. Then measure and install another custom cut Corner Block to finish the course.



Build Matching Corner



Install Additional Courses

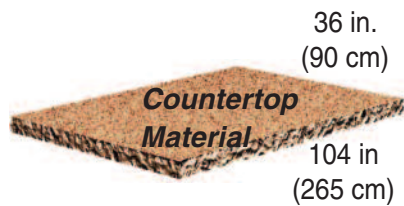
Step 3 Additional Courses

With two courses in place, install an additional 4 courses using the same patterns from the courses below. Install the pattern from Course 1 on all odd courses and Course 2 on even courses.

On the 7th and top course, install the same pattern as was done on the first course (odd). This time place all of the blocks with the raised rings facing down. This creates a smooth surface for the countertop to be placed on.

Step 4 Countertop

Choose a countertop material to fit your design. In this example we used concrete slabs that are cut to size. However any outdoor countertop material will work that is outdoor rated like concrete, granite or quartz, etc... So choose a countertop that fits your design.



Install Top Course

Set your countertops in place and check for level. Shims may be used if adjustments are necessary. Secure the countertops in place with flexible concrete adhesive. We recommend allowing for overhang of the countertop on the seating side of the bar.

The countertop size referenced here allows for a 12 in. (30 cm) overhang on both sides and front of the bar.



Install Countertop

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