

RECTANGULAR GARDEN POND – INSTALLATION GUIDELINES

Moulded from tank grade polymer for exceptional strength and durability and incorporating the latest UV stabilisation packages, Ecosure ponds are suitable for long-term external use and combine real quality with practical design. They are frost resistant, have high impact strength and are non-toxic to fish. The smooth sides of the pond make cleaning and maintenance easy. These ponds are available in different colours to suit your location or to enhance the colours of your fish.

Position

The pond should be positioned where it will receive at least 6 hours of sunlight daily. Do not site the pond beneath trees or overhanging foliage. Falling leaves can decompose, contributing to more dissolved nitrogenous products and altering the PH balance of the water.

Ecosure rectangular plastic ponds are designed to be fully buried. The shelves provide different levels and are suitable for pond plants. These provide visual impact and help to soften the edges of the pond. They can, however, be part buried, provided that a frame is constructed to ensure that the sides and tiers are fully supported. This will ensure there is no distortion. The sides can then be clad to create an aesthetically pleasing effect. Seating around the pond allows fish and plants to be viewed more closely than is the case when the pond is fully buried.

Installation of Rectangular Pond

- 1. Place the pond on the ground and mark the outline.
- 2. Dig a hole an inch deeper than the pond but the same profile. Ensure that the surface is level using a spirit level on a plank of wood.
- 3. Line the base with soft sand to bring it up to the correct depth. Once again, ensure that the surface is level using a spirit level on a plank of wood.
- 4. Place the pond in the hole and fill with about six inches of water to hold it firmly in place.
- 5. Backfill any gaps around the pond with sand or sifted soil, making sure it is well packed. A hose can be used to ensure that any voids are filled.
- 6. Periodically check that the surface of the pond is still level in all directions.
- 7. The pond should be filled and allowed to settle for at least 7 days before any edging is applied.
- 8. Finish as required.

If the pond is to be only partially buried, it is important to ensure that both sides and tiers are supported. If only the bottom tier is buried, a supporting frame must be constructed (e.g. out of blockwork or steel). If the bottom two tiers are buried, ensure that each one is supported to prevent distortion (see diagram below).

