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Step by step guide

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Laying Natural Sandstone

- Bradstone recommend you use the larger side as your patio surface with the edges tapering inwards slightly to the underside.
- Always lay natural sandstone paving on a full bed of mortar to allow for the

varying thickness of the stones (they can be between 25 to 40mm thick).

Landscape fabric

Landscape fabrics reduce maintenance by suppressing weed growth whilst allowing moisture and nutrients to pass

through their membrane. They should be laid on top of a well-compacted sub-base before laying the chosen paving.

All-in ballast, building and sharp sand is available from your stockist.

STEP 1: Mark out the shape with a sand line.



STEP 2: Dig down at least 150mm below the damp proof course then another 150mm for the paving/foundations.



STEP 3: Ensure that water cannot collect besides buildings by allowing a slight fall away to a convenient place. This should be invisible to the naked eye.

STEP 4: Cover the entire area with a semi-dry foundation mix of 6 parts all-in ballast to 1 part cement to a minimum depth of 75mm. Make sure this is firmed with a piece of timber. Remember to allow for the thickness of the paving stones on the mortar bed.



STEP 5: To lay a circle, mark out the centre of the circle and work outwards.

STEP 6: Dry lay each ring before mortaring into position.



STEP 7: If the circle or octagon is being laid as a feature within a paved area, used the corner accessories to square up to the paving. It's usually wise to lay a few courses of paving before you start your squared circle as this will help avoid cutting at the edges.

STEP 8: Point all of the joints, including the false ones in the centre.

