

Installation Guide For 160L Terracottage Wall Mounted Water Butt



This is the installation guide for the 160L Terracottage Wall Mounted Water Butt (product code RBM-GUTWB) and applies to other terracottage products within bigger packages. This water butt weighs 10kg when empty so it is the customer's responsibility to determine, if the wall has adequate strength to support the water butt when full of water. The total weight when full and to be supported is 170kgs (a litre of water weighs approx. 1 kg). If the wall is not vertical and flat where the water butt is to be fitted, such as a rough-cut stone wall, the wall should be prepared to allow the back of the water butt to sit flat and in a vertical position flat against the wall, or a backing plate, for the length and width of the back of the water butt.

Here are 8 simple steps on how to install the Terracottage Wall Mounted Water Butt.

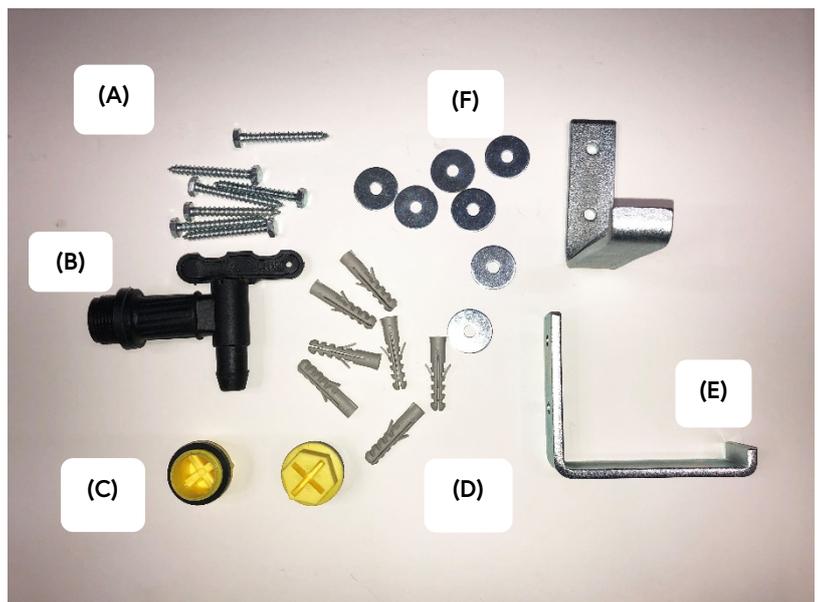
Step 1

Before getting started, please check your delivery package against the image and list below to ensure it contains all the correct items.

The Terracottage contents pack includes:

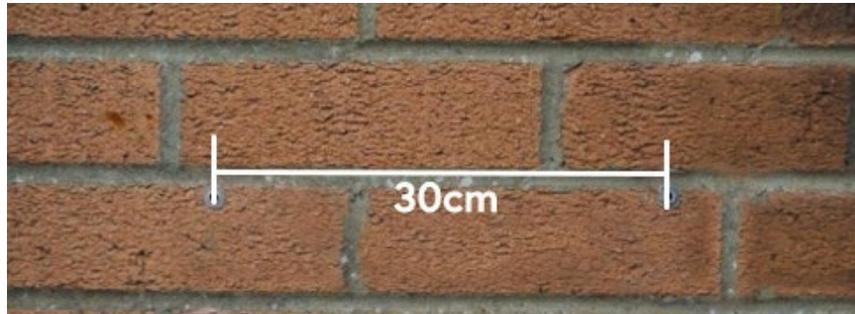
- (A) 7 screws
- (B) 1 tap
- (C) 2 yellow blanking plugs
- (D) 7 rawl plugs
- (E) 2 metal brackets
- (F) 7 washers

Do **not** use any substitutes for these parts.



Step 2

You will need to mount the water butt on the wall a minimum of 30cm (or higher if using a tall watering can) from the ground. Height from the ground is dependent on the bucket or can that will be filled. The brackets are fixed 30 cm apart, measurement is taken from the middle of the holes.



Step 3

Make sure both steel metal brackets are level before fixing, ideally using a spirit level. Brackets must be fixed properly i.e. facing upwards (see images below) to take the weight of a full water butt and should not be bent or distorted in any way. Mark the holes with a pen, pencil or the end of a screw. Make sure you fit the water butt to a flat vertical wall with no unevenness or protrusions. If you have any doubt about the suitability of the wall where the water butt is to be fixed, please contact us on cs@gm8group.com and provide us with photos of the wall and the location.

Important: You must use only the items we have provided in your delivery (illustrated in our contents pack in step 1). Failure to comply will result in your warranty becoming invalid. If you wish to discuss this, please call us on 01462 429 765.



Step 4

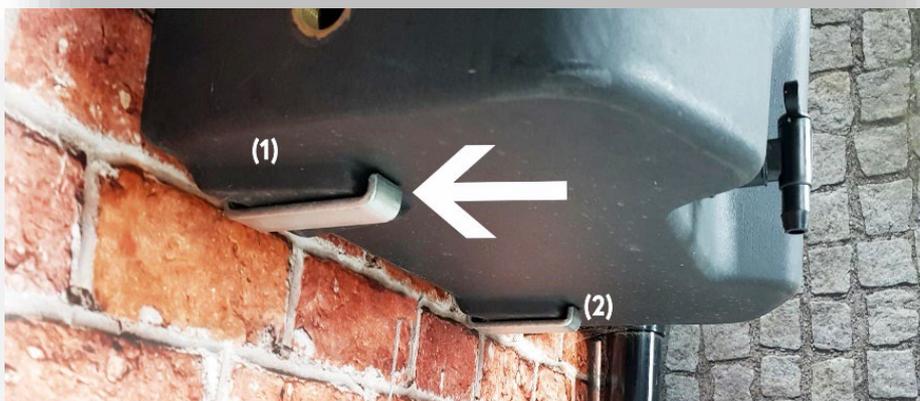
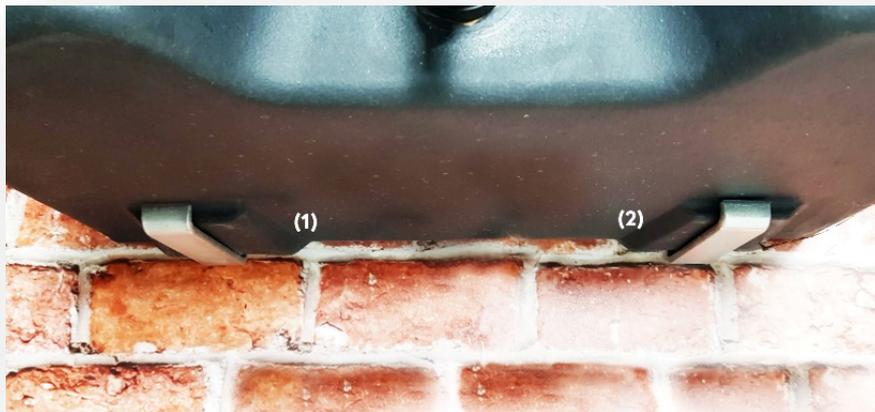
The seven 8mm diameter holes must be accurately drilled using a high quality accurately made drill. Each hole should be 60mm deep. Insert the plastic plugs and fix the brackets to the wall. Only use the screws and plugs provided for all 7 holes.

Important: The holes for the screws should be drilled into the bricks in the wall, not into the mortar between the bricks.



Step 5

Place the water butt on the brackets making sure the two long protrusions underneath fit snugly on to them (see pictures below for reference). The steel brackets and long protrusions (labelled 1 & 2) on the bottom of the water butt lock the water butt flat to the wall. If your water butt does not fit onto the brackets as per the pictures, you may need to remeasure and fix the brackets either further apart or closer depending on where they sit.



Step 6

Mark the wall through the 3 holes at the top of the water butt, drill with the 8 mm masonry bit, 60 mm deep. Then insert the rawl plugs provided into the drilled holes.



Step 7

Using the screws and washers provided, fix the Terracottage to the wall. Cover the screws with silicone sealant to stop water leaking on to the wall (not supplied). These fixtures are to ensure the water butt is stabilised, not to take weight of the water butt and water.



Step 8

Fit tap into any of the three holes near the bottom of the Terracottage - we advise you should base this on ease and accessibility. These holes are reinforced by a threaded brass inlet, also known as a brass bush. Plug other holes with the yellow blanking plugs provided.

Step 9

When fitting the yellow plugs, screw in until finger tight. Fill the water butt with water to just above the position of the yellow plug, if water leaks from around the yellow plug carefully tighten a little more until the leak stops.

Check for leaks around the plugs when the Terracottage starts to fill with rainwater and try tightening a little more if water seeps. If you can't stop the leak, drain down the water butt, remove the plug and examine for damage. If there is plastic on the face of the brass bush, clean off with a Stanley knife and refit the yellow plastic plug and repeat the procedure above.



Step 10

Get a watering can, bucket or similar as you are now ready to start harvesting some water!

Notes for installation

- There is a wide selection of drill bits on the market. Some 8 mm holes are a bit tight and some a bit loose. The rawl plugs should be hard to push in. Too loose they won't do the job; too tight you will not be able to screw the bolt all the way in. If you screw the bolt in as far as the end of the screw thread and it will not go any further the hole is too small. Excessive force on the bolt it will snap, and you will have to start again.
- It is important that the brackets are fitted the right way up. The upturned lip on the end of the bracket hooks onto the bottom of the water butt to stop it pulling away from the wall. If the wall is not quite square and the lip doesn't quite catch the lugs on the bottom of the water butt just tap the bracket until it locks into place.
- When fitting the diverter inlet to your water butt there is no location guide on the side of the water butt. This can be placed anywhere 10-15 mm below the lip the lid sits on and should be installed as per the supplier instructions.
- The screws at the top of the water butt need to be covered in silicone to stop water running down the wall, the inside of the butt by the screw holes has been roughed up so the silicone adheres properly.
- It is the consumer's responsibility to determine, if the wall has adequate strength to support the water butt when full of water. The total weight when full and to be supported is a 170kgs.
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Any queries contact us at 01462 429 765 or email cs@gm8group.com

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