

Ecobrick Wildlife Pond

Prepare your site, making sure it is completely level. Remove the soil under where the bricks will be, to a depth of about 20 or 30cm, and fill with small stones or rubble to protect the bricks from rising damp. Cover with soil and again check levels.



Mix the cob (clay/mud, straw, water) and lay in a circle, then place the bricks about two fingerwidths apart, with their 'flower' bases pointing outwards.

Once the cob has dried reasonably well, insert the pond liner (preferably an eco-friendly one), then fill with water.



Leave the cob to dry slightly (weather dependent, about two days), then lay another layer of cob, making sure you will the gaps between the bricks. Lay the second layer, then repeat.

Use plants native to your area to help stabilise the cob, and make sure there is an escape route for little animals and creatures.
Sit back and enjoy!



The pond after five weeks