

# paths & driveways

### 8mm self binding Path Gravel

This is an 8mm crushed limestone material is suitable for top dressing of footpaths and driveways. When it is laid correctly it produces a closed and stable surface with a Cotswold stone colouring. This makes it useful to aid wheelchair, pushchair and pedestrian access in public areas and also for domestic garden hard landscaping. Driveways and vehicle parking areas can be surfaced in this material where a closed decorative surface is required.

#### Laying Instructions

- Excavate the formation to the required depth depending on use, for footpaths to a depth of 150mm and vehicle areas 200mm, compact using a vibrating roller. Fix edgings according to requirements, either wood or concrete to level and line as required.
- 2. Lay sub-base material to a depth of 110mm for footpaths and 160mm for vehicle areas and compact using a vibrating roller. The material used should be a 40/5mm crushed limestone for footpaths and a 75/20mm crushed limestone for vehicle areas.
- 3. The 8mm fine path gravel should be spread and compacted to achieve a finished depth of 40mm. Care should be taken to ensure

that the material is of sufficient moisture content to achieve full compaction. This can be achieved by using the spray facility on the roller or a fine spray on a hosepipe, only sufficient to moisten the material avoiding washing fine material from the surface.

Segregated areas should be blinded using fine material taken from the stock-pile to achieve a uniform surface appearance. It is advisable not to traffic the finished area for two to three days after finishing.



For best results it is advisable to avoid installing the material in adverse weather conditions, for example severe frosts or extended periods of wet weather.

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### Gravel driveways

Gravel paths can look very attractive and can also provide an extra security measure for your home (the noise it makes will prove a deterrent to intruders). They are relatively easy to lay and also reasonably cheap.

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- 2 (Option) To prevent any weeds from appearing in your drive add a weed surpressing membrane, to cover the complete drive.
- 3. Lay sub-base material to a depth of 110mm for footpaths and 160mm for vehicle areas and compact using a vibrating roller. The

material used should be a 40/5mm crushed limestone for footpaths and a 75/20mm crushed limestone for vehicle areas.

4. You can now take your chosen gravel (which is available in a variety of coarseness and colours) and start to lay the path. Once the path is filled, go over the whole length with a rake, rolling and smoothing the gravel until you have an even and firm surface. Ideally, the gravel should sit just below the top of the edging.





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