



Getting started

Once you have decided where the pond will go and have bought all the materials you need, you're ready to start. It is not all that difficult and in just six steps you can probably complete the job in a day. Make sure that the pond liner is the right size. The best way to calculate the size you need is to add twice the greatest depth of the pond to the maximum length and the maximum width of your design, plus two times 50 cm for the border.

Six-step pond plan

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Setting out the contours

Mark out the boundaries of the pond with pegs. Use a spirit level and long piece of wood to check that all the pegs are equally deep and connect them with a thin piece of hardwood or string. The pegs are an important gauge for checking the depth when digging.

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Finishing

Remove the stones and finish the overlap of the liner with the material of your choice, such as firm turf, tiles, cobblestones, wood or an overgrowing mat.

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Stable soil

Now dig the areas of the pond that you have marked off to the required depths. Use the spirit level to check whether the different areas are flat. Add a layer of sharp sand mixed with cement powder and cover the floor of the pond entirely with a protective liner.

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Aquatic plants

Give the pond a touch of green straightaway with floating plants. You plant oxygenators after several weeks using plant baskets and a good growth substrate. Add growth balls to accelerate their growth. The last things you plant are the marsh and waterside plants, and you could perhaps add some water lilies.

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Installing the liner and adding substrate

Lay the liner over the hole and weigh down the edges with stones. Place a layer of soil substrate two centimetres thick on the bottom and start up the pond with Bacterial. Allow the water to run slowly onto the liner. Keep moving the stones as the liner assumes the correct shape. Trim the excess liner when the pond is full, leaving an edge for the finish.

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Life in the pond

Attach a pump and a filter to keep the water crystal clear. Prevent algae from growing with a UV-C filter and an I-Tronic. This will maintain the balance in your pond and create the ideal habitat for all your fish and aquatic plants. Release fish into the pond after a few weeks.