



Hollow Log

Installation Instructions

NOTES: Please check for any damage caused by the shipping company and take appropriate steps to file a claim, if needed. Take photos of all damage from different angles.

*Please call **Digsafe** and check for any underground utilities before digging anywhere.

Materials needed

If using the stabilizers along the sides, 4 pcs of 2' long rebar are needed, along with a 3# sledge hammer

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1. Remove hollow log from pallette.
2. Place the hollow log in the desired location and shift to ensure no rocking of the log occurs.
3. If you are using the 2' long, 4"x6" stabilizers to prevent the log from rolling, now would b the time to place one on each side of the log, with the 45° angle up and facing the log.
4. Now use the sledge to drive the rebar through the 2 angled holes in each stabilizer. The top ends of the rebar may get sharp edges from the hammering, so either drive it further into the 4x6 or use a file to remove the sharpness.
5. This element can be used as part of an obstacle course or as a single play item.
6. All wood is treated with kid-friendly preservative, but as is the case with all wood facing the elements, it needs to be cared for, so check it periodically for rough spots, splinters, etc, and sand them out, and treat it with kid-friendly wood preservative (we have it available if you can't find it) once or twice a year to keep the wood from deteriorating. Cleaning and sealing any outdoor wood is not much different than doing the same thing for a wood deck.
7. Enjoy your Hollow Log!

*Note: *If you fail to maintain outdoor wood it will eventually rot and crack to pieces. Chemically (includes: Lovitt's Wood Preserver) treated wood is able to resist rot for decades. But water that soaks into all these wood species will cause them to crack. If completely natural is your choice, we recommend spraying either Linseed oil or similar. Pump sprayers can be purchased at most home improvement retailers <http://www.lowes.com/pd/Smith-2-Gallon-Plastic-Tank-Sprayer/4193785>.*

The cracks start out as tiny checking cracks. Water entering the wood causes it to expand. As it dries, it contracts. This movement creates the tiny cracks. If water gets into the cracks, it soaks deeper into the wood causing even greater expansion and contraction forces that cause the cracks to get deeper and wider.

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