



# Analemmatic Sundial

## installation instructions

NOTES: Please check for any damage caused by the shipping company and take appropriate steps to file a claim, if needed.

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

Preinstallation note: our standard analemmatic sundial is installed the same way as a patio. You can prepare the entire area or just the spots where the time number blocks and the date blocks will be placed. Some people just remove the grass using a sharp edging tool or square shovel and lay the blocks in place. Some people prepare those areas by removing a larger portion of sod, digging a deeper hole, then laying a base of sand, then installing the blocks flush with grade.

### **Materials needed**

Square shovel, edging tool, or sod knife, sand if needed, tamping tool, stakeout flags, X-Acto knife wheelbarrow for hauling away extra sod.

- 1) Lay out the template, orienting the month indicators to point north.
- 2) See notes above. At this point you could cut out the template to just leave the location of the blocks, or the location of the holes where the blocks will be placed. Use the stakeout flags or other means to mark the corners of all the blocks, and then find the best way to and prepare the ground to receive the blocks.
- 3) Set the blocks in place, gently but firmly tamp them down to be flush with grade.
- 4) Replace any sod where necessary or possible, or if you have disturbed a larger area, smooth out the topsoil and spread grass seed with fertilizer.
- 5) To use the Sundial, stand on the appropriate month during a sunny day and your body will cast a shadow pointing to the correct time!

If you have the sundial package with the posts for the time numbers, you would dig a hole to the appropriate depth for your frost line, drop the posts in the holes, use a level to make sure that the posts are plumb, then backfill and tamp, or use concrete to hold the posts in place.

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