



LAY YOUR TURF

- 5. Place the first roll of turf along a straight edge and roll out away from you, using a board to kneel on.
- Continue laying turf along the straight edge, making sure the edges between adjoining rolls are tight.
- 7. Stagger the turf from row to row in a brickwork pattern.
- Use a sharp knife or half moon edging iron to cut the end of each row.
- 9. If you spot a dip, peel back the turf, fill the dip with topsoil and place the turf back down.
- Keep exposed edges of the turf moist to prevent them from drying out.

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DO'S...

- ✓ Lay the turf within 24 hours of delivery
- ✓ Water as you lay the turf if it begins to dry out
- ✓ Water the turf within half an hour of installation
- Water twice a day if the weather is hot and dry

AND DON'TS

- Don't stretch the turf
- Don't walk on newly laid turf: always place a board on the turf to walk on
- Don't mow the grass until the turf has rooted
- Never mow more than a third off the top of the grass at any one time

WATER THE TURF

March to October: In hot and dry conditions water the turf thoroughly as soon as it has been laid. Continue to water twice a day, or as required, until the roots have established.

November to February: Unless the weather is unusually dry, you should not need to water your lawn.

Important! You MUST check the turf regularly for signs of drying out, the formation of gaps, curling or lifting, and the appearance of brown patches. If any of these problems occur, water the turf thoroughly as and when necessary.

Tip: Wind, heat and lack of rainfall will dry out the turf faster than normal, so more watering may be required.

PREPARE THE GROUND

- Undercut old turf with a spade and remove.
 For larger lawns, consider hiring a turf cutter for easier removal of turf.
- 2. Using a garden fork or spade, turn over the soil to a depth of 15cm and remove all debris, including stones, weeds and roots. For larger areas, consider hiring a powered rotavator to turn the soil.
- 3. If required, place fresh topsoil over the ground and lightly rake in.
- 4. Tread gently with your feet to firm down the soil, and then level any dips and mounds with a garden rake. Repeat treading and raking until the ground is level.