



[THE TRUTH ABOUT] **CLAY PAVERS**

Clay pavers have performed successfully in thousands of applications over the centuries of human existence. The true performance of genuine clay pavers has withstood the test of time. All the attributes owners desire are in this beautiful hardscape element.



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Quality

Not all units used for pavements claiming to be “brick pavers” are genuine clay pavers, and there can be a big difference. The aesthetics of clay pavers come from the natural raw materials they are made from - clay and shale.

- Rich, warm color that other materials cannot mimic.
- Clay pavers will never fade in color.

Accessibility

Clay pavers actually result in less vibration on a wheelchair than a concrete surface since the small joints are not as abrupt as the large control joints that are necessary in a concrete surface.

- Smoothness has to do more with design and installation than material selection.
- Unevenness is often caused by tree roots or problems with the base that cause the whole pavement to undulate.
- Concrete pavers, poured concrete, or asphalt suffer the same problems.

Durability

- Clay pavers are made with clay and shale and are fired to almost 2,000 degrees Fahrenheit.
- Clay pavers tend to be stronger, more durable and less prone to deterioration like some concrete materials.
- Clay paver compressive strengths exceed those of poured concrete. In fact, most clay pavers have strengths exceeding 10,000 psi making them some of the strongest and most durable paving materials available.
- Clay pavers also resist salt and freezing more consistently than concrete pavers.

Applications

Clay pavers may be used in a variety of applications - from backyard patios to busy municipal streets and crosswalks.

- Small individual units allow for many patterns including running bond, herringbone, and basket weave.
- Colors can range from vibrant ochres to rich reds to deep charcoals.
- Used in permeable pavement and accessible pavements.
- Brick pavers may also be used to form garden or privacy walls or to create ornamental brick sculptures.

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