# How to Make a Gabion Letterbox (WITH VIDEO)

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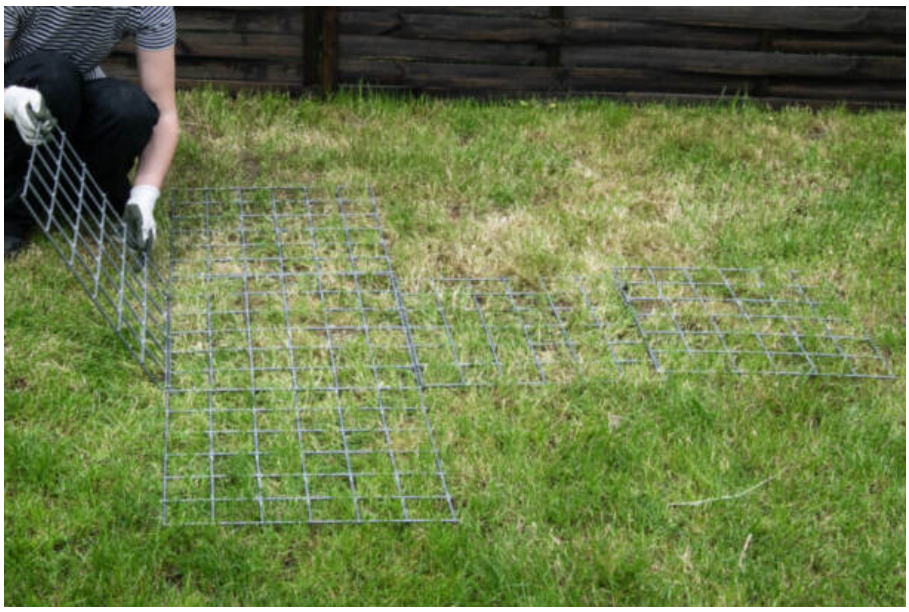
This blog will show you how to make a letterbox made from gabion baskets. Just follow the step- by-step instructions below.



**OVERVIEW**

- **Experience Required:** Low
- **Tools Required:** Protective Gloves, Bolt Cutter/Angle Grinder
- **Materials Required: 2x Gabion Baskets, Helicoil Corner Kit** , Stones, Letterbox

## Step 1) Unfold the Gabion



- Unfold the first gabion, ensuring all sides are properly unfolded and ready for assembly.
- This project was completed using 45×45 gabion baskets.

## Step 2) Cut the Helicoils to Size



- Measure the dimensions of the panels and cut the helicoils to size.

## Step 3) Join the Corners



- Fold the side panels and fasten them using the helicoils, ensuring they enclose the corners of both panels.
- Repeat the same process for all panels and keep the lid open.

## Step 4) Fill Your Gabion



- Fill your basket with stones that are at least 80mm x 80mm so they don't fall through the mesh holes.

## Step 5) Add the Top Gabion



- Assemble the second basket following the same process, and place it on top of the one already filled with stones.

## Step 6) Join the Two Gabions Together



- Use helicoils to join the corners, ensuring they enclose the panels of both baskets.

## Step 7) Fill the Second Basket with Stones



- Continue filling the second basket with stones.

## Step 8) Attach the Letterbox



- Place a wooden plank inside the basket.
- Make sure the screw is right above a horizontal wire and the letterbox is positioned where you prefer.

## Step 9) Secure the Letterbox




- Secure your letterbox to the wood using an impact drill, ensure it's firmly fixed and doesn't move.

## Step 10) Close the Lid



- Close the lid of your gabion with helicoils.

### Step 11) Your DIY Letterbox is Ready



- Enjoy your finished gabion letterbox!

### Video

Video: Watch the video on YouTube

### Tips and Tricks

After mastering the creation of a gabion letter box feature, here are some tips and tricks to enhance your project's appeal.

- When handling stones and working with tools to prevent injuries always use protective gloves.
- Double-check the alignment and stability during assembly to ensure a sturdy structure.
- Consider adding a layer of geotextile under the letterbox to prevent weed growth.
- When filling the basket with stones, vary the sizes and shapes to create an interesting and visually appealing arrangement.
- When attaching the letterbox, you can also use cable ties or wire if you don't have a plank of wood at hand.
- Alternatively, you can add plants or succulents between the stones for a natural and vibrant touch to your project.

## Written By

This blog was created by our Content Creator Orsi. Take a look at some behind-the-scenes images below.

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Orsi adding the second gabion to create a taller pillar for the letter box project.

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Orsi carefully hand-filling the gabion to make sure the sides stay straight.