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**Pond-Resources**

**By Wayne French**

**Building Your Pond**

So you've decided to build your very own backyard water garden. You are in the process of actively planning out your design, and you're visualizing the end-result. But have you paused to consider what kind of pond construction you will be using? Do you know what kind of pond constructions exist? The majority of garden ponds utilize one of two types of constructions: a preformed shell, or a pond liner.

Traditionally, preformed ponds are large shells, which are extremely burdensome and difficult to transport. For example, a typical preformed pond kit would come in a box that is 60" x 48" x 24", which is too large for many car trunk sizes. Liner kits, on the other hand, present many difficulties for the beginner pond gardener. Since every liner pond shape is different, pond gardeners must customize their own backyard pond and ensure that it is level, and that it does not have excessive wrinkling.

Recently, Algreen Products Inc. has helped leverage both these problems by introducing a flexible preformed pond. The folding preformed/liner hybrid is created with a proprietary blend of materials, which allows it to hold a customized shape. Yet it is easily transportable, since a typical folding kit comes in a box one-sixth the size of a regular preformed kit.

The only problem with the folding pond shell was that it was a dark solid black color. Black is a color that does not occur naturally in a pond environment, nor is it very easy to disguise. No matter how much landscaping you apply around the black shell, it is still extremely difficult to hide the fact that you are using a preformed pond.

New for 2006, Algreen is proud to announce the development of a granite flexible rock pond kit! This new folding pond shell has all the benefits of its black preformed predecessor, but both the pond and the streamlet look like rock.

Algreen advertises that its folding pond includes 3 built-in plant shelves, is weather-resistant, and is able to withstand extreme temperatures from 0 F to 105 F. Each pond shell features textured ridges, which are strategically placed to allow beneficial bacteria to form growth colonies, which significantly

reduces algae-buildup in the pool.

Currently, there are two sizes of granite pond shells available from GardenSuperMart (GardenSM.com): a 144 gallon shell, and a 72 gallon shell. Both pond kits come complete with:

The granite flexible pond shell

A flexible streamlet

An energy-efficient, heavy-duty Super Flo pump (500 or 306 gph, for the 144 gallon and 72 gallon shells respectively)

A telescopic riser and diverter for the Super Flo pump

Four fountain heads

Two 6" silk water lilies

Tubing and clamps.

At the time of this article, GardenSM.com has the lowest pricing for these granite pond kits.

GardenSM.com has the 144 gallon granite kit priced at \$166.14 USD, and the 72 gallon granite kit priced at \$126.14. As part of their Grand Opening Special, GardenSuperMart is also including a FREE solar-powered frog light with the purchase of every folding pond kit.

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He has many sites on various topics which are updated regularly to keep you informed on many varied topics.

### **Tips On How To Choose The Best Pond Pump**

#### **By Grange Aquatics**

It often comes as a surprise to the budding pond enthusiast but the simple fact about owning a pond is that pond maintenance is not as simple as many people at first imagine it to be. Below we take a closer look at how to make sure that you get the best pump for your pond.

There are a lot of pond pumps on the market. So, how do you know which pump is the best for your pond? Follow our step by step guide for the answers:

**Pond Pump Size** Before you even visit your local pond specialist or look at pond pumps on the internet, the first thing you need to do is to accurately measure the size of your pond as this will determine how big a pump you will need. Many pond owners prefer to have a larger pump than is necessary and this is something which you should discuss with the pond specialist shop when you tell them the size of your pond.

**Pond Features** Another aspect of choosing the correct pond pump will revolve around the amount of pond features such as waterfalls and fountains that your pond has. The higher number of features the higher power pond pump your pond will require. If you have several pond features your pond specialist may even suggest having a separate smaller pond pump for each feature. This will have the advantage

of working as a back-up system should any of the pumps fail.

**Pond Pump Features** When it comes to buying the actual pump, make sure that the pump has the recommended amount of biological filtration and that the pump will turn the water over a minimum of twice per 24 hours. Discuss the advantages and disadvantages of each pond pump with the pond specialist before agreeing to purchase the product.

**Pond Pump Maintenance** In order to get the best out of your pond pump you will need to ensure that it is being correctly maintained and care for. You need to check that the pump is working 24 hours a day and clean the pre-filters regularly. The cables attached to the pond pump should also be regularly maintained to ensure that they are not damaged and are performing correctly.

Grange Aquatics have been in business for over 20 years and have a dedicated team of staff on hand to share their expertise. Visit their website

<http://www.grangeaquatics.com>



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