

How to Install Cleft Chestnut Pale Fencing

Thank you for choosing Jacksons Fencing. Our high quality fencing products will last for years and give you trouble-free service if you follow the installation instructions below, which are offered as a general guide.

Tools

String line	Post level	Clawhammer	Spade
Shuvholer	Tape Measure	Saw	Pencil
Marker Pegs	Wood Chisel	Monkey Wire Strainers	Post Driver
Rammer	Peeler Bar		

Materials

You will need the correct quantity of:

- a) Straining posts - 1 required at ends, corners, changes of direction, either side of gates and at acute variation in ground levels, plus one at every 50m on flat straight runs.
- b) Struts and Anchor Stakes - 1 strut and anchor stake will be required for every end straining position and 2 struts and anchor stakes for every corner or 2 way straining position.
- c) Stakes - you will require a stake every 2.7m.
- d) Cleft Chestnut Fencing - you will require rolls of Cleft Chestnut Pale Fencing to correspond with the length of the fence, and remember that 1.2m high and above fence rolls are only 4.55m long; not 9.1m.
- e) Fixings - 100mm galvanized nails, 30mm galvanized staples.

Method

Clear and level the site

- 1) Establish ends and corner positions, and place where the straining posts can be best positioned to tension the fence i.e. in the bottom of dips etc. Mark positions with pegs.
- 2) Dig the hole for the straining post with vertical sides, making the hole as small as practical to allow for refilling and ramming.
- 3) Place the straining post in the hole, leaving enough of the post above ground to correspond with the height of the cleft chestnut fencing.
- 4) Replace the excavated soil a bit at a time, ramming in well as filling proceeds so as to ensure the post is firm. Check with a spirit level as you go.
- 5) The struts and anchor stakes are then fitted, with the strut facing the next straining position down the line.
- 6) Fix the string line between the first and second straining post, making sure the string is fixed to the same side of them, and then pull taut. The string should be above 750mm from the ground.
- 7) With the string line in place, mark out the stake positions at the required centres. (You may wish to measure between the straining posts so that you can equal out the spacing.) The stakes can be used to mark their final position by laying them at right angles to the string, or by making a small hole to mark the spot with the peeler bar.
- 8) The stakes should then be driven into position using the post driver. It may help if a hole is made with the peeler bar to act as a pilot hole. It should be driven in, leaving enough of the post above ground to take the height of the Cleft Chestnut Fencing being used. Check with the post level as you go to keep it upright.

- 9) With all the straining posts and stakes in position, you can now fix the Cleft Chestnut Pale Fencing. Stand up the roll next to the first straining post, and unroll sufficient to staple the loose end wire to the straining post. You may prefer to unroll the Chestnut Fencing first, and then stand it up before fixing to the straining post.
- 10) Rolls of Chestnut Fencing should be joined together by twisting the wire together in two directions.
- 11) When sufficient rolls have been joined to reach the second straining position, the fence must be strained taut. This is done by pulling the fencing as tight as possible by hand towards the second straining post; then using a wire strainer, pull the lines of wire tight, and then staple the wires to the straining posts and stakes. This will need doing again for the bottom wire, and three times for three wire fence.
- 12) Tidy up the site, making sure no off cuts of wire or staples etc. are laying around, as they may cause injury to children or animals.
- 13) Treat all cut timber i.e. where struts fit to straining posts, with Cut & Treat.

Safety Notes:

Biocidal Products Regulation (EU528/2012):

Jakcured articles incorporate biocidal products to protect against wood destroying organisms.

Active ingredients include: Copper(II)Carbonate / Copper(II)Hydroxide / Propiconazole / Tebuconazole

Wear gloves when handling freshly treated wood. Avoid breathing dust when cutting. Dispose of off-cuts responsibly – do not burn.

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