

# INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS: DECORATIVE FAUCET POST WITH GARDEN HOSE ADAPTER

## READ ALL INSTRUCTIONS BEFORE YOU BEGIN INSTALLATION



Figure 1



Figure 2



Figure 3



Figure 4



Figure 5

- Step 1:** Select a location where your ground is firm, but not too hard and not too soft. If you have hard soil, you will need to pound a wood or metal spike into the soil to make a pilot hole. If your ground is too soft, you should select another location, as this will not give you a firm mount when you are done.
- Step 2:** After you have selected your location, dig a small hole approximately 2" deep and 3" in diameter (Figure 1). This will allow the head of the ground-mounting spike to sit below ground level.
- Step 3:** Thread a large hex bolt with washer through the hole in the top of the ground spike and into the threaded nut insert located inside the open ring area of ground spike (Figure 2). Tighten the bolt head down so it is snug against the flat washer on top of the spike.
- Step 4:** Take the ground spike and center it in the small hole you dug. If you have soil that is not too hard, drive the ground spike into the earth by hitting the top bolt head with a hammer (Figure 3). Stop when the top of the ground spike is about ¼" below the ground surface. Be careful not to drive the spike too far down into the hole. Try to keep the spike straight as you drive it into the ground. If your soil is very hard, you may want to use a block of scrap wood on top of the hex bolt head and pound on the block of wood instead of directly onto the bolt head. This will help prevent "mushrooming" of the bolt head.
- Step 5:** Once the head of the spike is ¼" below the ground surface, remove the hex bolt and flat washer from the ground spike (Figure 4).
- Step 6:** Take the black steel mounting plate (with the two welded mounting tabs pointed up) and place it over the center of the top hole in the ground spike. Line up the hole in the plate with the hole in the spike and attach the plate to the ground spike with the hex bolt and flat washer (Figure 5). Turn the plate so the wide opening between the two mounting tabs is pointed in the direction your garden hose is coming from (you will attach a garden hose in Step 11). Snug the bolt with a wrench, but do not over tighten as this may pull the ground spike up from the ground.
- Step 7:** The mounting plate should now be firm and solid in the ground. It should also be fairly level with mounting tabs pointing straight up. If you need to adjust the level, loosen the bolt slightly and place a rock or some other material under the mounting plate. Don't forget to re-tighten the bolt.

See reverse for additional steps.

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Figure 6



Figure 7



Figure 8



Figure 9

**Step 8:** Now take the faucet post and carefully lay it down on the ground. Loosen the setscrews in the top of the decorative base (Figure 6). The pole has been wrapped with protective masking wrap to protect the pole from getting scratched in this step. Being careful not to scratch the pole, gently and carefully slide the decorative base up the pole so it is about 1" (or more) above the two threaded inserts mounted into the bottom of the pole.

**Step 9:** Carefully lower the faucet post down in between the two mounting tabs with the decorative base still lifted above the threaded inserts (Figure 7). You will need an assistant (or block of wood) to hold the decorative base above the threaded inserts. Make sure the hose adapter is pointed in the direction your garden hose is coming from (back side). Insert the two smaller ¼-20 threaded bolts through the mounting tabs and into the threaded inserts in the round pole. Make sure your pole is straight (forward and back, left to right) and then tighten the two bolts until they are firm.

**Step 10:** Gently lower the decorative base (with the slotted backside of the base sliding down over the hose adapter) until it is flat against the mounting plate (Figure 8). Remove masking material on the pole and tighten the setscrews at the top of the base until they are snug against the pole. Be careful not to over tighten the setscrews.

**Step 11:** Before supplying water to the faucet post, make sure the hose bib (faucet) on the faucet post is turned off. Connect your garden hose to the hose adapter. Now turn on your garden hose and then slowly turn on the hose bib (faucet) to test your water connection (Figure 9). Enjoy!

Notes: If you connect a garden hose to the hose bib (faucet) on the faucet post, use caution when moving or pulling on the hose. If you pull too hard on the hose, over time you may loosen the ground mount. This will require that you reset the ground mount.

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