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Company Information

Verti-Block™ is the latest innovative forming system from Verti-Crete, LLC. Recognized worldwide for outstanding aesthetics and performance, Verti-Crete's proprietary and patented forming systems produce the most durable, cost effective and attractive precast elements anywhere. Verti-Crete continues to help precasters around the world provide contractors, developers, and property owners with smart precast solutions.

Verti-Crete's heritage in the precast, concrete, and aggregate industries reaches back decades. From Window Wells to Battery Molds, each innovation has been fueled by our passion for bringing out the beauty of precast concrete. Concrete has been known for centuries for its durability. Through innovative research and design and the application of custom molding technology, Verti-Crete is making concrete known for its low cost and beauty.

Verti-Block Unique Features

- Versatility
- Project Compatibility
- Less Concrete Required

- Engineered Hollow Core
- Lower Transportation Costs
- Faster Return on Investment

Verti-Block was created with landscaping in mind -- we've made it easy to transport and install, even in tight access spots. Blocks can be moved and put into place with smaller equipment; there's no need for heavy machines like a telehandler or crane. The male and female connection eliminates placement error, ensuring strength and an exact installation every time. Also, the engineered hollow cavities allow for more flexibility with drainage and less concrete required for each block which will save time and money.

Verti-Block is ideal for a variety of landscaping projects including residential communities, commercial campuses, schools, parks, back yards, and more. Able to accommodate winding landscapes and even tight curves, Verti-Block is designed to add interest to any landscape while securely retaining earth. For projects also requiring a privacy wall, Verti-Block allows fencing or guard rails to be constructed directly on top of the Verti-Block structure. Fencing can be placed right on the edge of the wall for an attractive, continuous space.

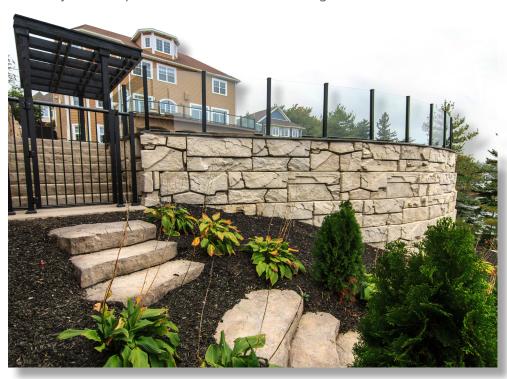


Unique Size and Design

A hollow block measuring $2' \times 4' \times 3'$, Verti-Block is perfectly proportioned for the most popular types of landscaping projects, including gravity walls up to 14' high—even higher when reinforced. Its hollow design makes it affordable and easier to handle than solid blocks. Plus, Verti-Block is less labor intensive than small, hand-laid blocks and offers a more practical solution than a cast-in-place retaining wall.

Strong and Versatile

Even more appealing, Verti-Block is incredibly strong and versatile thanks to its interlocking design. Featuring a male-and-female style connection, Verti-Block units ensure you'll get a secure fit that guarantees the correct amount of setback on every installation. Verti-Block's hollow design saves money by using less concrete and lowering transportation costs. It also ensures the right amount of crushed stone backfill. Experienced installers know that too much crushed stone wastes money—too little can build hydrostatic pressure and cause the retaining wall to fail.



Easy Installation

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Engineered for Strength

While the hollow nature of Verti-Block makes it cost effective and easier to handle, it also improves its ability to retain earth. Even in poor soil conditions, Verti-Block can be stacked higher than other blocks without the use of tiebacks or geogrid. The male-and-female design of Verti-Block adds a stronger connection than blocks relying on friction alone. The crushed stone fill also interlocks and creates a continuous mass for greater strength.

A Cost Effective Solution

Best of all, Verti-Block delivers tremendous cost savings. As a hollow block, Verti-Block is lighter, requiring less manpower, equipment, and transportation costs. It's quick to install, and the product itself is less expensive to manufacture than solid block options. The internal drainage through the block's infill means no over-or under-excavating because no additional crushed stone backfill is required. Property owners will appreciate the affordability and value of Verti-Block. Add that to the right look and right strength of this unique product, and you'll know Verti-Block is the right solution for a great landscape installation.



A Look Like no Other

Beyond its structural purpose, Verti-Block is a favorite of property owners for its beautiful rockwork look. Verti-Block showcases a 5-inch depth of relief, hiding joints, and making a finished wall appear more like stacked stone. Plus, Verti-Block is easily stained to complement its surroundings with a beautiful, weather and UV-resistant finish.



Perfect for Landscape Projects Big and Small

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Disclosure

It is important to note that the design parameters for a Verti-Block™ installation come with a suggested maximum height under assumed conditions. Verti-Block wall specifications are calculated using assumed loading conditions and material properties and may fluctuate from location depending on varying soil properties and terrain. In addition to the information included in this manual, please consult with your engineer to determine the specific design requirements for your site as soil and terrain vary by location.

Verti-Crete, LLC provides forming systems to independent Licensed Producers and does not build the actual precast concrete elements themselves. Therefore, Verti-Crete, LLC does not assume any responsibility regarding structural stability of any particular blocks or wall system. Verti-Crete, LLC also assumes no responsibility in connection with any property damage, injury or death claim whatsoever whether asserted against a Leasee, Leasor, Purchasor or others arising out of or attributable to the operation of or products produced with Verti-Crete, LLC equipment.

