

Corners



Abbey Blend

Gain Useable Space with Style

Corner Details

Whenever possible we recommend using curves instead of corners for a smooth flowing look to your landscape.

Inside Corners

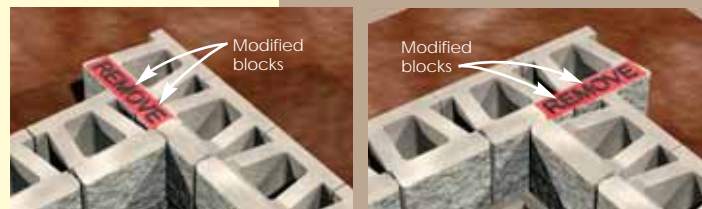
Standard blocks are easily modified to build inside corners. You will need a concrete saw with a masonry blade to make the necessary cuts (a good chisel will work too).

- Using your saw or chisel, remove the raised lip from one block, and the left third from another. Set them in place at the beginning of the base course.
- Locate the adjoining wall so that the raised lip on the modified block is lined up with the raised lips on the two blocks. Finish installing the entire base course in both directions.
- Modify two more blocks, this time removing the right third of the raised lip from one of them, and use these blocks to start the second course.
- Continue the process to the top of the wall, alternating as you go.
- Cut caps at 45 degree angles to complete the inside corner and the give the wall a custom finished look.

Outside Corners

AB corner blocks come in right and left hand versions, and are all you need to make a perfect outside corner. Always build your walls by starting at the corners and working out.

- Set the first corner block in place and install the two perpendicular base courses. Level, backfill and compact.
- Place an alternating corner on the second course and set the entire second course of block in both directions. Level, backfill and compact again.
- Repeat as often as needed to the top of the wall.
- Cut caps at 45 degree angles to complete the outside corner and the give the wall a custom finished look.



Step Downs



AB Stones

End your Wall with Ease

Stepping Down

One of the unique benefits that sets Allan Block apart from other wall systems is a great variety of options for ending and stepping down walls. With Allan Block, you can turn wall ends into the hillside with smooth flowing curves, corners or right angles. No other wall system gives you as many choices for finishing off your wall project.

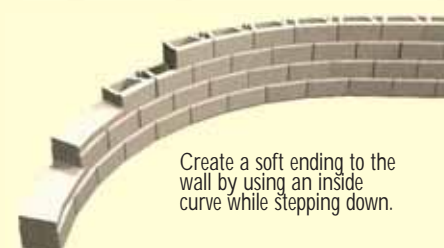
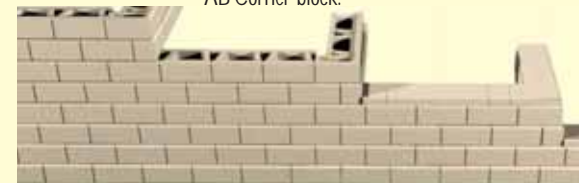
For a gradual step-down, use half-high blocks either the AB Lite Stone or AB Barcelona.



For a full course step-down, use the AB Corner block.



For a step-down that doubles as a planter, turn the wall in 2 or 3 blocks after the AB Corner block.



Create a soft ending to the wall by using an inside curve while stepping down.

Tip: Walls with ends that turn back into the hillside help prevent erosion behind the wall.

Turn-ins

The simplest and easiest method of ending an Allan Block wall is to use smooth flowing curves that turn back into the hillside.

For a graceful, flowing end to the wall, curve the wall to create a plantable area that can soften the look of the wall.



For a natural flow into the landscape curve the wall back into the hillside.



For a dramatic end to the wall, use the AB Corner block to turn the wall back into the hillside.

Tip:

The benefits of curving the wall back into the hillside include:

- less time & expense to build
- no corner blocks
- superior erosion control
- attractive design