

Build a Brick Barbecue Without Mortar

The benefits of building a brick barbecue are multifold. A brick barbecue can accentuate your patio beautifully and the brick design blends well with any garden setting. Not only does it look great, but it can give any ordinary food an extraordinary flavor. Building a brick barbecue is an easy project that will cost you less than installing a new gas grill and will last much longer. With the right tools, materials and a little skill, you can have a barbecue that will be the envy of all your neighbors.

- Step 1: **Find a level spot.** Building a barbecue without mortar is an easy project. It is very important that the area you choose for the barbecue is completely level and stable, since there will be no mortar to hold the bricks together. For this type of barbecue, it is best to build over a concrete slab.
- Step 2: **Lay the bricks.** The bricklaying process for a mortarless barbecue is much simpler than that of a brick barbecue with mortar. The bricks are laid in alternate pairs of headers and stretchers. Two bricks face one direction and the two next to those face in the opposite direction like a basket-weave pattern. The standard height for this barbecue is thirteen brick layers high.
- Step 3: **Set grill supports.** The inner bricks of the fourth and seventh courses are slightly pushed out into the fire box to create ledges that support grills.

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What you'll need:

- SW-grade bricks
- Fire grates
- Grills