How to water your street trees with rainwater



Dig up and completely expose the drainpipe below the street verge

STEP BY STEP HOW TO:

bin with trolly or barrow

- Cut drain and pull out

PVC pipe

with geofabric

- Put drain back in

- Cover with dirt

- Hook up power, set up tools

- Dig around drain: keep dirt in

- Drill out/ cut grooves into new

- Fill drain with rubble, cover



Remove the pipe then drill closely spaces holes along the base of the pipe (about 2cm apart)

TOOLS NEEDED:

gardening trowel

Drill bits - 10mm

PVC 90mm pipe

9 inch grinder

Hack Saw

Rubble

Geofabric

Mattock

Extension Cord 1 x 15 m

Bin with Trolly, or Wheel Barrow

Diamond Tip Blade - preferably

Electric Drill / Cordless Drill

Shovels - Trench, normal and small

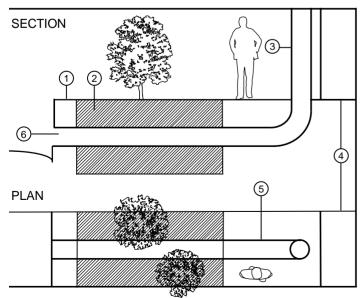


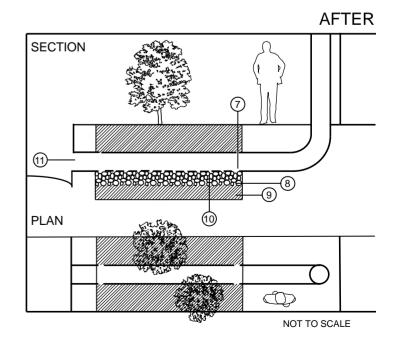
Replace the pipe leaving gaps at either end to slow down and absorb rain water at the ends

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LEGEND:

- 2 Nature Strip
- 3 Downpipe 4 House
- 5 Pipe under pavement 6 Rainfall wasted to street
- 7 Pipe cut at each end to
- create 30 mm gap
- 8 Rubble
- 9 Soil
- 10 Rainwater soaks into
- rubble and soil to feed plants
- 11 Rainwater only discharges to street in extreme heavy
- rainfall





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BEFORE