



## *Gentle Rain (GR-AC) Water Fountain*

Thank you for purchasing a handcrafted fountain from Creations of a Craftsman! With periodic maintenance, your fountain is designed to deliver years of enjoyment.

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**Let us guide you through the setup process.**

**Unpacking.** Carefully unpack the various parts of your fountain and inspect them for any damage that may have occurred during shipping. Your fountain includes the following parts:

**Basin** – This is the molded plastic piece that holds the water.

**Wood Base** – The decorative, handcrafted hardwood that supports the basin.

**Acrylic Fountain Assembly** – This is the actual fountain. It is made from acrylic and welded together in the shape of a pyramid.

**Upper Tier** – One upper tier made of acrylic and one black O-ring. The O-ring and upper tier will slide over the supply tube during assembly.

**Water Pump** – Observe the water flow adjustment control on the side of the pump and familiarize yourself with the way the control operates.

**Supply Tube** – The supply tube is used to transport water from the basin to the top of the fountain. It has a black coupling on the bottom end and is designed to plug directly into the water pump.

**Power Adaptor** – This is used to power the fountain lights. It is equipped with a Molex connector that matches the Molex connector coming from the light assembly. The light assembly is pre-installed on the lowest tier of the acrylic pyramid.

**Brush** – A bottle brush is included to periodically clean in between the acrylic tiers.



**Location.** Next, locate the spot where you plan on displaying your new water fountain. Ideally, locate fountain within a few feet of a power outlet. Placing the fountain in direct sunlight may cause premature fading of the natural wood finish. Avoiding direct sunlight will also reduce water evaporation and the frequency of periodic cleanings.

**Important!** The Gentle Rain fountain weighs 19 pounds when filled with the correct amount of water. Please make sure the table or stand used with your fountain is able to support the weight of the assembled and operating fountain.

## 10 STEPS to a SUCCESSFUL INSTALLATION

- STEP 1** Position the **wood base** on your table or surface.
- STEP 2** Place the **basin** on top of the wood base. Note the location of the cord retainer clip fastened to the bottom of the basin. Position the basin with the cord retainer clip facing the same direction as the intended path of the pump and light power cords.
- STEP 3** Adjust the **water pump** flow setting to the adjustment's mid way point. Although you can always change this setting, getting it close now is a good idea. Carefully position the pump in the center of the basin. Position the pump's power cord so it runs through the cord retainer clip and up the side of the basin. Do not twist the cord retainer clip closed until the light power cord has also been positioned within the clip.
- STEP 4** With one hand securing the pump, gently insert the black end of the **supply tube** into the hole on top of the pump and gently twist it until it feels snug. While still holding the pump and supply tube, place the acrylic fountain assembly down over the supply tube until the fountains legs are seated on the bottom of the basin and the supply tube is vertical.

**STEP 5** Position the light **power adaptor** cord in the retainer clip and up the side of the basin. Twist the clip closed to secure both cords. You can twist the clip in either direction to close it. You may also need to shift the fountain assembly to one side to allow room for your hand to secure the retainer clip. **Please refer to Figure 1.**



**Figure 1:** Gentle Rain fountain showing proper position of pump and light cord in retainer clip. Fountain assembly not shown for clarity.

***IMPORTANT! Make certain the two cords gently exit the basin and are secured within the retainer clip. This will prevent water from following the cords and leaking out of the basin.***



- STEP 6** Positioning the **upper tier**. Run the O ring under water for lubrication. Place the wet O ring over the end of the supply tube and slide to ½" above fountain top tier and install the acrylic tier.
- STEP 7** When you are comfortable with the location of your fountain, fill the basin with fresh, cold tap water. Fill the basin to a point one half inch below the bottom of the lowest tier. Center the fountain assembly within the basin.
- STEP 8** Plug the power cord from the pump into a power outlet. Let the fountain run a few minutes or until you are happy with the setting of the pump.
- STEP 9** Supply power to the lights by plugging the **power adaptor** into a power outlet and joining the mating Molex connectors. The Molex connectors are white.
- STEP 10** If necessary; add additional water until the water level is approximately one half inch below the bottom of the lowest tier. To achieve a nice cascade of water down the acrylic tiers, it may be necessary to shim one or two corners of the wood base with a small piece of cardboard.



## Getting the most from your new fountain

Under normal circumstances, you will want to add water to your fountain at least every two days. **Please make certain to keep adding water to your fountain on a regular basis.** It is also a good idea to disconnect the power to the pump and lights when planning to be away for more than a few days.

A small self adhesive clip is included to help hide or control the wires going to the outlet. This clip may not always be used but it will surely come in handy for keeping the wires hidden.

You may notice that the longer your fountain goes without adding water, the louder it gets. This is because the majority of the water sound is generated when the water falls from the lowest level back into the reservoir. The lower the water level, the further the water falls and the louder the fountain becomes. Maintaining a specific water level will result in a uniform and consistent level of sound. Try adding some food coloring to the water for some special effects!

To keep your fountain looking new, periodic cleaning will be necessary. A laundry tub or large sink is perfect for this task. A **bottle brush** is included with your purchase for your convenience. Use water and a mild dishwashing soap to keep the acrylic looking like new. If you are having trouble with hard water deposits, soak the acrylic assembly in a water and vinegar mixture. Vinegar quickly dissolves any mineral deposits. CLR also works very well and can be purchased in most any home center. The water pump can be easily cleaned using warm water, a mild dishwashing soap and a soft bristle brush.

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