**How to Build a Walkway**

**(approx. 20’x3’ walkway; 60 sq)**

**Materials needed for this project:**

* paver stones
* 40 bags of paver base or ½ yard of gravel
* 12 bags of paver leveling sand or ¼ yard of sand
* Stakes
* String
* 10 bags of pea pebbles
* Work gloves
* Tamper
* Measuring tape
* Shovel or tiller
* Push broom

Before laying the pavers, prepare the area by plotting out the path and clearing away any grass to a depth of around 4 to 6 inches. Use stakes and string to mark out the course and finished elevation of the path. Then use a shovel or tiller to clear the area.

Fill in the path with paver base at a depth of about 4 inches. About 40 bags of paver base were required to cover the 60 square feet at this site.

With the paver base in place, use a tamper to level out and settle the base. For larger areas, you may want to consider a powered tamper.

After finishing off the paver base, apply a layer of leveling sand to a depth of about 1 inch. Twelve bags of leveling sand were needed for this path. Just as before, tamp the leveling sand into place.

Sketch the pattern for your stones, if possible. Using the measuring tape, begin laying out your paver stones, double-checking distances as you go along.

Now that all the pavers are in place, take any remaining sand and spread it across the pavers. Use a push broom to sweep it in between the pavers.

You can fill the space between the pavers with a material of your choice. Pea pebbles work great and can create some interesting contrast depending on the color of your pavers.