

Qualifying Pond Contractors

1. How many pond systems have they installed?

Bob has been designing and installing water features for over 20 years with hundreds of features installed.

2. Do they have a photo album of their work?

Yes, in addition to Facebook and our website we can provide you with a link to our photo server with many photos of features we have installed.

3. What is the representative's education and affiliations?

Bob attended the UW Horticulture program, founded the Wisconsin Chapter of the North American Water Garden Society, owned and operated Madison Pond Supply, was named to the top 20 contractors in the United States by Aquascape, and is the first and only Professional Pond Contractor Certified by the International Professional Pond Contractors Association.

4. Do they understand biological filtration in ponds?

We will design the best filtration system specific to your needs.

Additional questions to ask contractors during our meeting:

5. Do they have a complete understanding of the entire ecosystem of a pond?

6. Do they have a complete understanding of pond hardware? Including plumbing, biofalls, skimmers, filtration types, etc.

7. What are some options for controlling algae production?

8. Is pond and waterfall construction their main business?

9. What about fish? Do they know stocking quantities, types of fish, winter care, and disease control?

10. What about plants? Do they know stocking quantities, types of plants, and seasonal care?

11. How long will it take to install your water feature?

How are our Ponds Different?

Pond building is a blend of art and science. When you choose to use Greenscapes, you are choosing to use a contractor with who understands both. We build more ponds in a month than most landscape companies do all year. Our ponds look natural, like they have been there for years. Our maintenance program is reliable and effective. We do not just install ponds; we construct and maintain them. Building and maintaining water features isn't something we added to our list of services, it's a major portion of our business! From understanding the different audio effects of various boulders, exaggerating curves, the use of deep stream approaches and hand picking boulders to understanding nutrient cycles, aquatic plants and water quality; pond construction requires knowledge, experience and expertise.

- We do not use kits; all installations are custom designed including wetland filtration & negative edge options.
- The pond floor is dug at a slight slope towards a depressed area for future placement of the cleanout pump. This allows for maximum debris removal when spring clean outs are completed.
- The pond foot print is dug with a perfect balance between providing optimal shelving for aquatic plants and allowing for maximum water volume for your fish.
- Your pond is custom fit to your landscape, lifestyle and desires in scale, function and design.
- Our boulder calculations include larger boulder sizes than standard pond installations. Larger boulders increase stability and result in a more natural look and feel.
- Greenscapes offers pond maintenance programs to fit every system.
- Greenscapes offers pond maintenance products at our own retail store Madison Pond Supply.