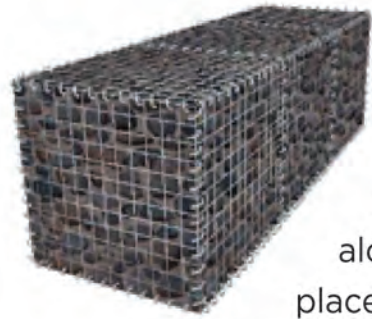


# Gabion Basket Walls



Gabion basket walls are an **alternative to concrete** or concrete block walls for creating a vertical drop in slope lines. They are simple wire cages, about the size of a rectangular hay bale.

Once a base footing is built, the baskets are set along it and connected by wire clips. Rock fill is placed within each basket and the basket is sealed shut.

## Some Benefits

Gabion walls allow for rock fragments excavated from a project site to be used in an architectural manner. They also allow stormwater to percolate through the wall—water often pools or runs behind concrete walls, which can create problems. Gabion walls can even be vegetated by “live-staking” through the rock strata into the soil behind (see diagram).

