

HARDWOOD BRIQUETTES – HOW TO USE.

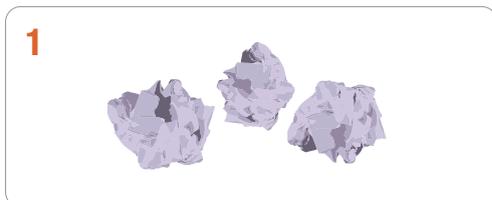


OK so telling people how they should make a good fire is like telling someone how to make a proper cup of tea! We would not dare impose on people's tried and tested fire starting methods as we all know fireplaces, stoves

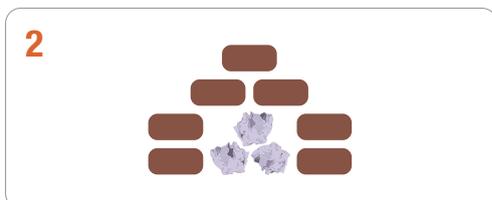
and the way a chimney draws will vary from home to home. However if you are new to Briquettes and are trying them for the first time we recommend you read our note below as briquettes do burn differently to logs.

HOW DO I USE THEM?

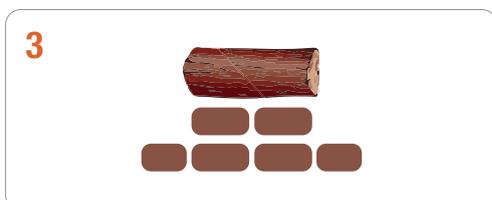
Very simply, this is how I light them on a wood burning stove.



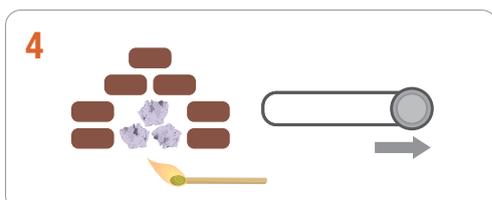
Scrumple some paper (3 or 4 bits of newspaper would be fine) or a little kindling



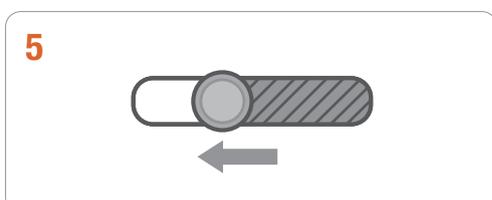
Build a circular igloo with briquettes filling the stove about 1/3 full. In my medium size 8 kWh stove, I use approx 20 briquettes in 4 layers 8, 6, 4, 2. The briquettes will expand when burning so no need to overfill the grate/stove. If a smaller stove, use less!



Top with a log if you like



Light the paper/kindling and open the airflow (top and bottom) to maximum for 1-2 minutes (depending on the draw)



Close down bottom vent once the fire has got a hold and reduce to 1/3 open (or whatever you normally have it at to stop the glass from blackening)

PLEASE NOTE

1. In appliances where there is less airflow control (eg open fires), experiment with a smaller quantity 10-15 briquettes to get a feel of how they burn. Never overfill the grate as briquettes burn hotter than logs and will expand.
2. It is important that you store Hardwood briquettes in a covered & dry location to avoid product deterioration. If this is done, the product will remain fit for use for many months.

The fire should last for up to 2 hours. When adding further briquettes (say 10/15 at a time) try to disturb the existing embers as little as possible to retain high heat output. The fire will relight easily from just embers in the grate if you open air flow again for 1-2 minutes.

For Open fires, chimineas and firepits use kindling (a firelighter may be required). Briquettes are ideal when used as 'green coal' in conjunction with logs.