

STOK-PILE

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This installation occupies a temporary site in Radcliffe Yard, scheduled to be turned over for construction lay-down space within two years.

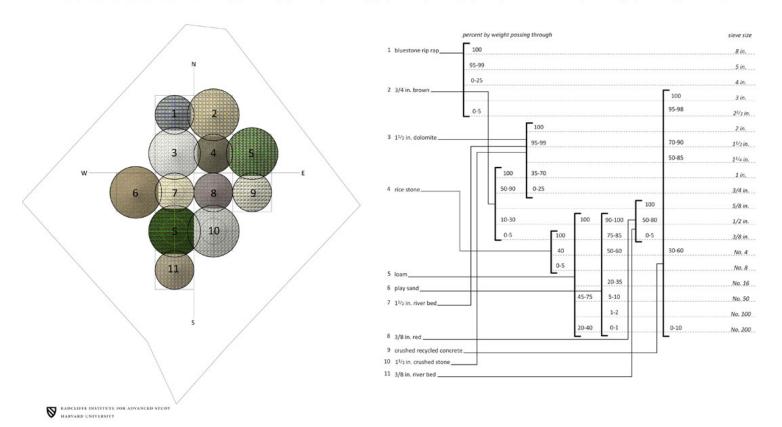


Stock-Pile is a storage pile or heap of material; a reserve supply of something essential; a gradually accumulated reserve of something, esp. something vital or indispensable.

The essential elements of landscape construction— stone, aggregate, sand, soil – diverse and rich in color, shape, and texture—are arranged in simple piles on a north-south grid. Two are planted with ancient ferns. All start stacked impossibly steep, poised to subside—each of its own accord, in keeping with its inherent physical and structural characteristics.



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Diagrams







Materials

The installation was completed in celebration of the 10th anniversary of the Radcliffe Institute for Advanced Study.









