

Ashman Short Handle Drain Spade Teeth Shovel Assembly and Usage Instructions

Package Contents:

- 1 x Drain Spade Blade with Teeth
- 1 x Short Handle with D-Grip
- 2 x Screws
- 1 x Instruction Manual

Tools Required:

- Phillips Head Screwdriver

Assembly Instructions:

Step 1: Unpack and Inspect

1. Carefully unpack all components and check for any damage during shipping.
2. Ensure you have all the parts listed in the package contents.

Step 2: Attach the Handle to the Blade

1. Align the pre-drilled holes on the handle with the holes on the drain spade blade.
2. Insert a screw into each hole.

Step 3: Secure the Screws

1. Using the Phillips head screwdriver, tighten each screw firmly. Ensure the handle is securely attached to the blade and there is no wobbling.

Usage Instructions:

General Use:

1. Ensure the shovel is assembled correctly and securely before use.
2. Hold the shovel with both hands, positioning one hand on the D-grip and the other midway down the handle for optimal control and leverage.
3. Use your legs to lift heavy loads, keeping your back straight to avoid injury.

For Digging:

1. Position the blade at the desired digging site.
2. Use your foot to apply pressure on the top edge of the blade to drive it into the soil.
3. Use the D-grip handle to leverage and lift the soil.

For Trenching:

1. Mark the trench line you intend to dig.
2. Use the sharp teeth of the spade to cut through the soil and roots.
3. Scoop out the soil along the trench line to the desired depth and width.

For Transplanting:

1. Use the spade to carefully dig around the plant you wish to transplant.
2. Lift the plant with the soil around its roots and move it to the new location.
3. Use the spade to dig a new hole and place the plant carefully into it.

Maintenance and Care:

1. After each use, clean the shovel blade with water to remove dirt and debris.
2. Dry the blade thoroughly to prevent rusting.
3. Store the shovel in a dry, sheltered location to extend its lifespan.
4. Periodically check the screws to ensure they remain tight and secure.

Safety Tips:

1. Always wear appropriate personal protective equipment (PPE) such as gloves and safety glasses.
2. Avoid overloading the shovel to prevent strain and injury.
3. Use proper lifting techniques to avoid back injuries.

By following these instructions, you can ensure the optimal performance and longevity of your Ashman Short Handle Drain Spade Teeth Shovel. Enjoy its versatility and reliability for all your digging, trenching, and transplanting tasks.