At-Grade Design Ideas

The appearance of masonry rising directly from grade can be a desirable design element for many designers. At Arriscraft, we value both masonry beauty and integrity for the life of your building.

Learn how to maintain aesthetics and durability by employing common sense precautions to effectively prevent moisture from adjacent elements wicking into the masonry at grade.

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At-Grade Design Ideas to Maintain Aesthetics and Performance

Incorporate a 
**Starter Course**

Installing a starter course of Adair® dolomite or Regency Stone will maintain the aesthetic integrity of the masonry. These products are suited for use at grade.

![Adair Limestone starter course](image1)

Raising the masonry above grade will prevent moisture sources from coming into direct contact with the masonry.

![Masonry raised above grade](image2)

Protect Masonry with Moisture-impervious **Protection Board**

Incorporating a protection board that is moisture-impervious will protect the masonry from saturation. This method is virtually invisible.

![Protection Board](image3)

Incorporating a mowing strip of clear draining granular material will protect against moisture accumulation by allowing a clear path for moisture drainage away from the masonry.

![Mowing strip application](image4)