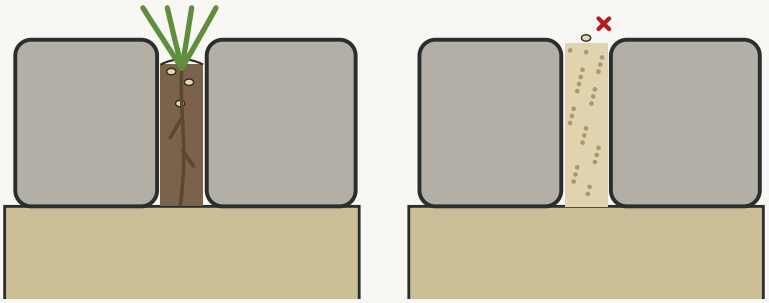
CARE GUIDE · COBBLESTONES

Keeping weeds out of cobblestone joints

Remove them by the root, then take away the soil they grow in.

Open, dirty joint
Soil and seeds: roots take hold

Full, packed joint
Seeds sit on top and dry out



Why they keep coming back

Joints collect soil, grit and leaf dust. Wind and birds drop seeds in, and warm stone keeps them growing.

Pulling alone never ends. **Take away the soil** and seeds have nowhere to root.

The routine: remove by the root, clean the joint, fill it tight, then a quick check once or twice a season.

1 Look first



Where do weeds cluster? Fix loose or sunken stones before anything else.

2 Pull by the root



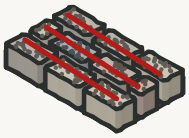
A day after rain, with a narrow crevice tool. Torn-off tops grow back.

3 Heat big areas



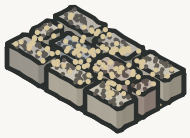
Steam, or boiling water poured close to the ground. Then scrape out.

4 Clean the joints



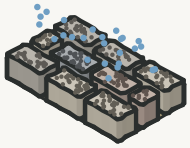
Stiff broom across the pattern. A gentle rinse, never a pressure washer.

5 Fill them tight



Dry joints, polymeric sand swept in. Every grain off the stone faces.

6 Mist to set



Several gentle passes, in a dry spell. Stay off it while it sets.

Methods compared

Method	Effort	Comes back
Hand tools	High on big areas	Slowly, if the root comes out
Steam or boiling water	Moderate	Needs repeat passes
Flame weeder	Low	Tops die, roots may not. Not near mulch or wood
Vinegar or weed killer	Low	Last resort: hurts beds and soil
Polymeric sand	Once, at refill	Stops most seedlings

Keep it up

- ✓ **Once or twice a season**
  Pluck seedlings while they're small.
- ✓ **Top up only where needed**
  Joints washed out by rain, plows or tires.
- ✓ **Stop soil at the edges**
  Keep beds and mulch from washing onto the paving.

Mortar or old stone?

- ✓ **Mortared driveway**
  No sand: rake out cracked mortar and repoint.
- ✓ **Soft lime joints**
  Hand tools and dry brushing. No harsh chemicals.
- ✓ **Test first**
  Try steam or flame on a hidden corner.

Three ways to buy

Reclaimed New York cobblestones · pallet coverage with 1" joints

A sample

One stone of any size, so you can see it on your own site.

By the stone

Any number, from just one. Good for repairs and patching.

By the pallet

	Jumbo	Regulation	Jumbo XL	Cube
Stones	120	178	120	90
Covers	80 ft²	74 ft²	97 ft²	40 ft²

Count your stones
Scan for the calculator

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