

Dear Sand-Lover!

Thank you for purchasing this wonderful, interactive moving Sandpicture. Each piece is hand crafted in Austria by KB The Sandman and his crew, branded with the artist's signature KB.

With proper care you will be able to enjoy it for years and years.

Before the fun starts, please adjust the air in your picture.

Sorry for that, but it is part of the game and Sandman wants you to understand why.

First in this manual, we will give you a brief instruction, followed by the detailed information.

Please keep these instructions as you will need to refer to them in future.

Now Sandman wishes you a lot of pleasure when exploring endless opportunities.



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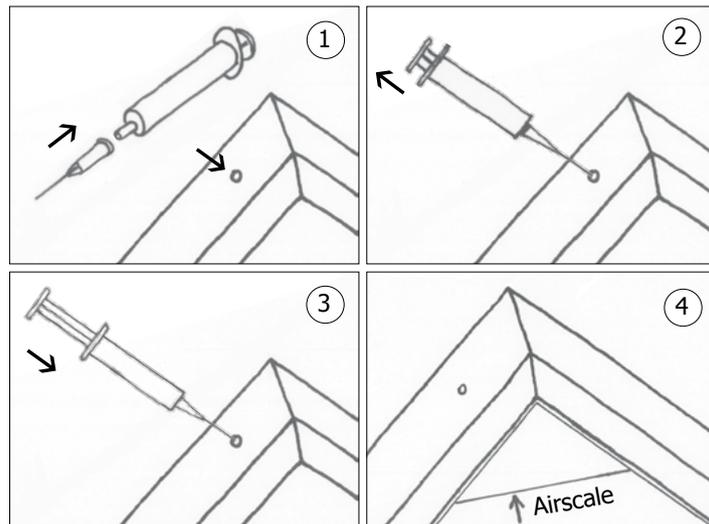
Relax and use your sand-art for meditation.

Check out more Sandman stuff and consider a larger piece!

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Brief instruction

1. The air inside the picture is necessary to control the speed of the falling sands.
2. Assemble the injector and find the air hole in the frame. (1)
3. Tilt the picture to get the air bubbles to that corner and take care to have all the sand moved away from that area; a single grain of sand will ruin the needle.
4. Stick the needle through the silicone sealant to adjust the air.
5. If you take out air (2) – the sand will move faster. Too little air will create flat plains only.
6. If you add air (3) – the sand will move slower. Too much air will stop the motion.
7. Use the Airscale as reference (4) to adjust the amount of air, recommended by Sandman. It is the perfect balance for slowly falling sands creating beautiful mountain landscapes.



Detailed instructions

How does the moving sand-art work?

Every Sandpicture contains sand, water and air. The water is the medium in which the sand wants to fall and the air wants to rise.

It is a game of gravity in which the rising bubbles hold against the falling sands.

That's why the air regulation is an important part of the game.

A perfectly balanced Sandpicture (7) will move slowly and the dropping sands will create layers.

The sands will never mix up completely because each colour of sand has a different weight. That's why the colours will always separate.

This all takes place inside a sealed glass container. It is sealed with silicone which allows us to insert the needle several times without creating a leak. Use only the very thin needles we provide.

The water contains soap which is important for fluid movements and it splits the air into bubbles. We add a preservative to avoid algae.

The sands we use are natural sands, crushed minerals, coloured sands and glitter flakes.

Start the fun

First please regulate the air as explained using the Airscale.

Turn your KB sand-art a full 180 degrees (or even a bit more and then back to 180 degrees) so that the air bubbles go all the way across - creating the air barrier to hold up the sand. Now enjoy the calming, mesmerizing effects of the

falling sand. Since the air bubbles won't cooperate the same way twice, you will get a different sand creation with each turn! For best results, allow the sand to settle for a few minutes before turning it over again.

Maintenance

For time to time, you will have to re-adjust the amount of air.

Water will evaporate – that's a natural thing, therefore you will have to refill some water after a period of time. For maintenance, use the injector and needle provided with your purchase. You will regulate through the air hole(s) found on the frame. Use the Airscale as reference for how much air should be in the Sandpicture. For water refill, follow exactly the instructions advised below.

Air regulation

Basic rules:

- 1) First always regulate the air only and NEVER TAKE OUT WATER!
- 2) If the air barrier is too thick (too much air), the sand won't be able to fall through.
Remove some air! (5)
- 3) If there is not enough air, the sand will fall rapidly and will only create flat dunes.
Add some air! (6)

The sand falls too slow: remove air. Follow these steps:

- 1) Move the sand away from the area near the air hole and tilt the Sandpicture in a way that all of the air moves to the air hole.
- 2) Assemble the injector and insert it through the air hole.
- 3) Pull up the injector to remove the air according to the Airscale. (2)

HINT: When you stick the needle through the sealant it can happen that a tiny bit of silicone might get into the needle and block it. You will not be able to remove air. Take 0.5 ml of air into the injector before inserting the needle and push that air into the picture to blow the needle free.

The sand falls too fast: add some air. Follow these steps:

- 1) Make sure the sand is away from the area near the air hole.
- 2) Pull up on the injector to add air into the injector's tube.
- 3) Insert the needle into the picture and push down on the injector to add air according to the Airscale. (3)

Airscale

With the Airscale you can regulate the amount of air in your Sandpicture. The scale indicates the amount of air Sandman recommends for a gently slow flow of the sand. (13)

How to use the Airscale

Hold the Airscale to the inside corner of the frame. Avoid pushing it under the frame. Tilt the picture and regulate according to the indicated levelling line.

Shall the sand move faster? – Take out more air than indicated. (14)

Shall the sand move slower? – Add more air than indicated. (15)

HINT: If you want to run your Sandpicture in an upright position, you need to remove around 1/3 of the regular air amount, except with the Triple X series when you have to remove 3/4 of the regular air amount.

Water refill

Refill evaporated water about once a year!

Use spring water or our refill liquid. Never use distilled or purified water. There are two indicators showing you when it's time to refill water.

Indicator 1: When there is a huge air pocket (8) in the picture, it is time to add water. Follow these steps:

- 1) Move the sand away from the area near the air hole.
- 2) Add water into the injector, insert the injector through the air hole and push down on the injector to inject the water. (9) Before removing the injector pull the same amount of air out of the picture (10), **which is very important to avoid overpressure in the picture!**

Repeat this procedure until you reach the perfect amount of air indicated by the Airscale.

Indicator 2: When after the correct air regulation the sand takes up more than 50 % of the Sandpicture (11), please follow these steps:

- 1) Move the sand away from the area near the air hole.
- 2) Add water into the injector, insert the injector through the air hole and push down on the injector to inject the water.
- 3) Inject water until the sand level has dropped to slightly below 50 % of the Sandpicture. (12)

WARNING: Follow these instructions very closely.

Adding too much water or taking out too much air could create a pressure problem inside the Sandpicture and **the glass could break.**

Our guarantee does not cover any breakage due to this reason.

For more information, please visit our websites.

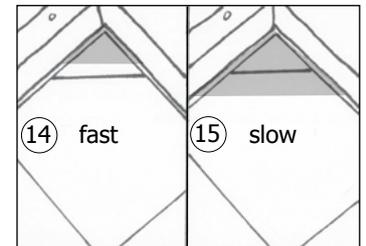
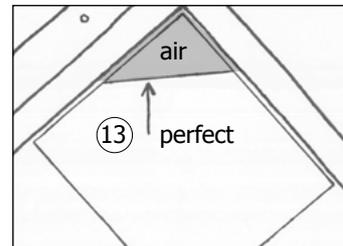
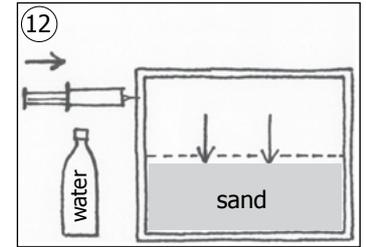
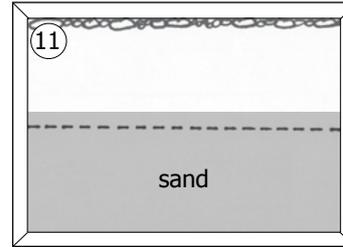
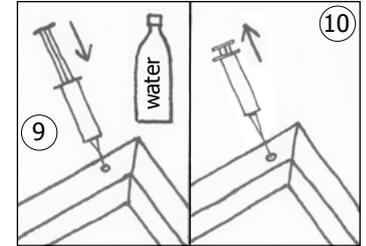
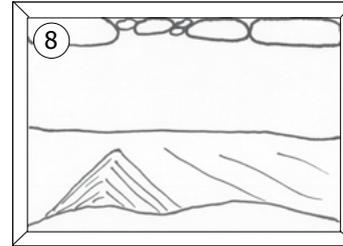
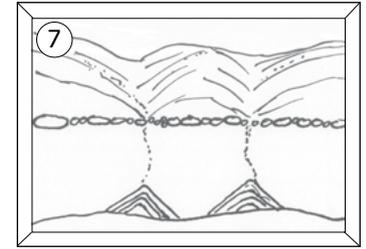
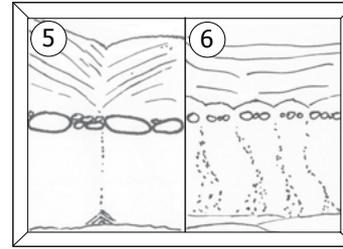
With normal use, you will enjoy your KB sand-art for many years!

Sealant care

For safety reasons we provide blunt needles for our injectors. You can stick the needle many times before the sealant is getting weak.

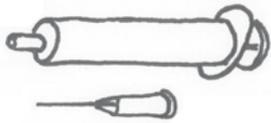
We offer a sealant repair kit, with which you can fix a weak or leaking sealant.

HINT: Ask your doctor or dentist for a pointed medical needle (27Gx2/4 = 0,4x20 mm). With a pointed needle you can stick through the sealant many more times before it gets weak.

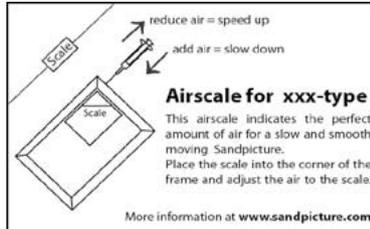


Accessories (included)

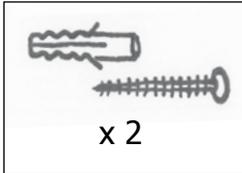
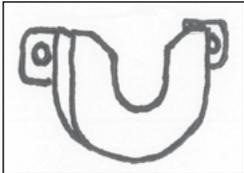
For air regulation and water refill:



injector (syringe)
blunt needle
Airscale (transparent foil)



Fixtures:



wall hook, 2 dry-wall anchors, 2 screws
for all wall attached Sandpictures

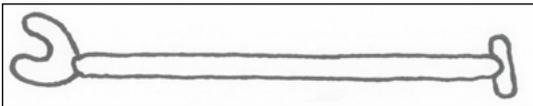


table mount - only for Movie S type

**Replacement accessories are available.
More accessories are available on demand:**

In our online shops you can order all spare parts.
We offer an adjustable easel which fits for Movie S and Movie M types.
Water refill liquid (not in US!) and sealant repair kit are available.

Please note the following:

- When you first get your Sandpicture, you might need to turn it over a few times to get the sand flowing freely. If some sand is sticking, just tap the glass or gently shake your KB sand-art. We recommend that Sandpictures be turned over at least every month.
- Use the BLUNT needle provided by us (27Gx2/4 = 0,4x20 mm). They are available through our web shop.
- **WARNING:** Contents include an injector with needle. Keep out of the reach of children. Regulating the air/water balance in the Sandpicture with this injector is FOR ADULTS ONLY (AGES 18 AND UP).
- Choking hazard! Keep small parts away from children.
- Do not ingest the contents of the picture.
- Do not touch broken glass.

Tips and tricks can be found at: www.sandpicture.com,
www.pitkinstearns.com or on youtube under keywords
"Pitkin Stearns" or "KB collection Sandpicture" or "KB sand-art".

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