

# How To Build Shadow Box Walls

**ANTIQUÉ PYZIQUE** can be used to build “**Shadow Box**” retaining walls that have a three dimensional appearance of natural stone walls. The diagram at the bottom of this column shows three layers of **ANTIQUÉ PYZIQUE** with random placement of stones with a forward movement and a backward movement of some stones. These movements can be totally random or in a pattern. Also, the forward and backward movements can vary from 5/8” to 1” similar to the diagram at the bottom of this column.

The **ANTIQUÉ PYZIQUE** shown below is a “**Shadow Box**” style wall. Remember, all retaining walls, including “**Shadow Box**” walls, are built with a 5/8-inch set back of the center line of each layer from the center line of the layer below. (See *Bump Out drawing*.) Failure to follow this simple requirement on retaining walls only a few layers tall can be the cause of the wall to lean forward over time.

The shadow box style can be built straight up to build old English stone fences or patio barrier walls. Both will have the appearance of being built with natural stone.

