



BRICK ARCHES



Made from ordinary bricks stacked ankle-high in clusters of three, these small but powerful structures were used by Hong Kong protestors from the pro-democracy movement as roadblocks to slow down police vehicles. When struck by a wheel, the top block falls away leaving the two remaining bricks, which together form a buttress that prevents the wheel from moving forward. These arches were referred to locally as 'mini- Stonehenges' or 'brick battlegrounds'. Easier to make and more difficult to clear than ordinary roadblocks, they became widespread when the protests escalated in November 2019.

Other techniques use glue or cement to affix bricks to the ground.

