

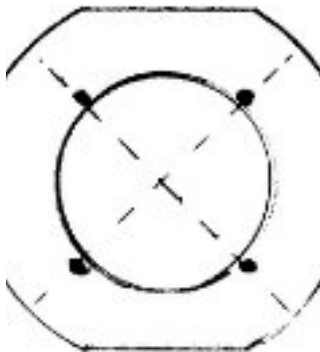
My turntable is too small!



My turntable is 10½" (267mm) in diameter and is fine for small/medium size bonsai pots (pic1) but doesn't work with my large pots. The large pots fit over the turntable so that the center of the pot touches the turntable and the pot feet are on the flat surface and thus it will not turn. To solve this problem I have created simple turntable extension.

As always, you need to consider your skill and toolbox to decide your approach to this project. Suitable material would be chipboard plywood or MDF, 0.5" thick and approx 18" square.

Draw the diagonals on the board and then mark up a 10" radius circle. The corners should be cut off either straight or curved to allow rotation without snagging on clothes.



Now get your turntable. Place the turntable upside down on the board so that the turntable sits over the center of the board. This was easy for me as the turntable has a hole in the middle that you can look through to see that it is positioned over the center cross.

For the next bit I used 4 very small rubber feet that you can get from B&Q, Screwfix etc.. You could make them yourself out of small pieces of wood or dowel. The key is that they must be thinner than the turntable else they will stop the turntable from moving.

Position the feet on the diagonal lines so that the edge of the foot just touches the turntable and screw or glue in place.



You now have a turntable extension, here with the turntable (upside down).

To use;

Place the turntable on a flat surface as normal.

Now place the board, feet downwards, onto the turntable and position so that it drops over the turntable.



Large pot now fits and can be turned safely.