

# Solid Foundations with Pile Top Systems

#### **About Us**

HMH is a leading global provider of first-class drilling solutions and services designed to offer our valued clients with the safer, more efficient and reliable alternative. Our company vision is centered on an unparalleled commitment to quality and yielding economic advantages for our customers and stakeholders.

HMH has a global span covering five continents with offices in 15 countries. Drawing upon our global market success, we continue to seize opportunities through an established strong regional presence in Africa, Americas, Asia Pacific, Caspian, Europe and the Middle East. Our dedicated professionals consistently strive to enhance customer satisfaction and form meaningful collaborations by creating a personalized experience.

#### **Experts at your disposal**

HMH is your first choice for reliable pile top systems for onshore and offshore applications. Cost efficiency and outstanding performance are the key factors that make us stand out from the competition.

Our experienced specialists provide comprehensive advice on selecting the correct equipment for the individual site conditions – from the tender phase all the way through to project execution.





Australia – Tanker terminal PBA 612/2 000/200 for raker piles at an inclination of up to 1:3, with drilling diameters of up to 1.25 m and depths of up to 50 m

# **Areas of Application**

Our Wirth pile top drill rigs (PBA) provide the most efficient solution for foundations in mixed and hard formations. A full scale of rigs cover all diameters from 0.6 to 8.5 m and can also be used to drill inclined piles. They have been successfully deployed in various projects, both onshore and offshore:

- Superstructures and buildings
- Anchoring of oil and gas platforms
- Marine structures, such as harbours extensions, jetties, dolphins, berths and dry docks
- Bridges, piers and causeways
- Marine sewerage diffusers
- Offshore wind farms
- Dam rehabilitation
- Decommissioning of oil and gas platforms

Our PBA with the high torque power swivel is the ideal machine for drilling in mixed ground, boulders and hard rock. The most common drilling applications are:

- Rock drilling
- Rock socketing
- Anchor drilling
- Secant wall drilling
- Underreaming
- Bell-out of the rock socket
- Pile cutting
- Milling of deformed casings
- Shaft drilling





China/Macao – Venetian casino PBA 936/3200/300 Foundation of more than 250 piles, with a drilling diameter of 3 m and drilling depths of up to 110 m

# Deeper and Faster Drilling



### Close consultation and support

Our experts provide comprehensive advice, right from the pre-engineering and tender phases. This includes giving an indication of expected rates of penetration along with advice on the selection of supporting equipment. HMH's drilling experts are available for commissioning and for training personnel.

+15%

### Outstanding drilling performance

In each class, our PBAs have an excellent power/weight ratio. Maximum drilling performance is guaranteed, even under the toughest conditions, along with easy and fast equipment handling.

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### Economical RC drilling

HMH is the world market leader in reverse circulation drilling in the correct layout. This method is highly efficient, and provides an excellent value for money.

**-20%** 

# Quick assembly

The modular design and the quick-action multi-couplings ensure a fast and easy set-up of the drill rig.

>97%

# Unmatched availability

More than 30 years of experience from equipment manufacturing and successful project execution secures HMH's outstanding equipment quality and weight/performance ratio. Our customers benefit from excellent total cost of ownership with unmatched availability low spare-part consumption rate and maintenance costs.



# Maximal versatility

Exchangeable cutters ensure that drilling is possible in varying geological formations. Different diameters can be created by just one machine, by exchanging the drill bit accordingly. The drilling depth can be increased simply by extending the drill-pipe length



# High independency

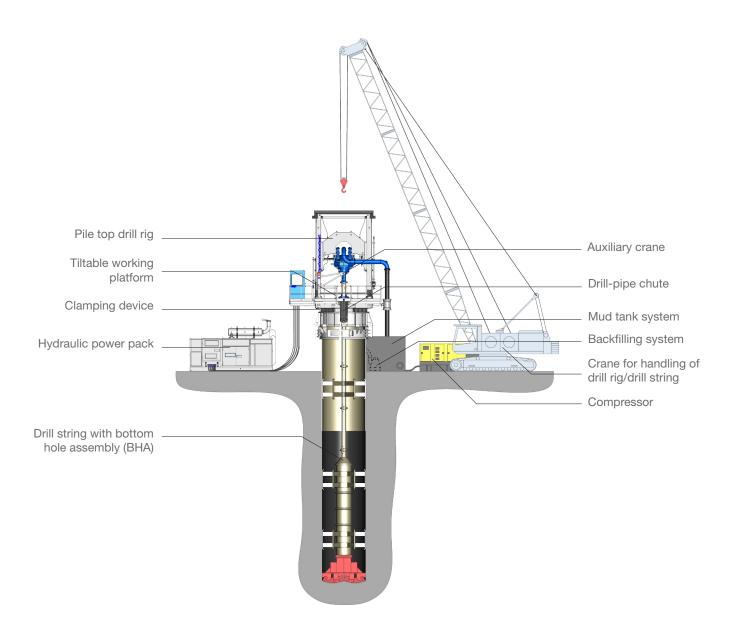
An onboard crane supports equipment handling.

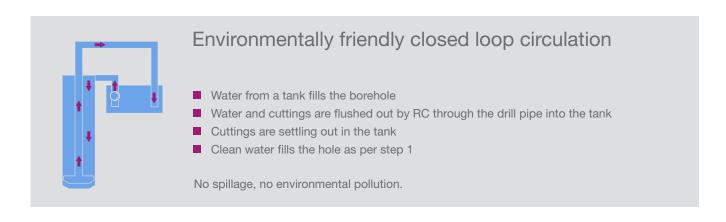


### **Support Services**

Our technical support teams are available 24/7 to provide you with the support you need to keep your rigs operational.

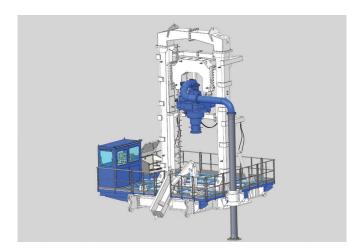
# Rig Arrangement

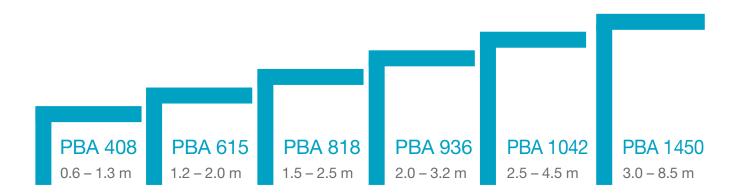




# Our Product Range

Six different machine models cover the diameter range from 0.6 to 8.5 m. All rigs meet the HSE standards and are designed according to the latest European standards. User-friendly features support your crew for easy set up, operation and maintenance.





Pile top drill rig	408/1300/200	615/2000/300	818/2500/300	936/3200/300	1042/3200/330	1 450/6 000/330
Maximum power swivel torque	81 kNm	150 kNm	180 kNm	360 kNm	420 kNm	500 kNm
	(59700 ft·lb)	(111000 ft·lb)	(132 500 ft·lb)	(269 000 ft·lb)	(310 000 ft·lb)	(368 500 ft·lb)
Maximum drilling speed infinitely variable	38 rpm	23 rpm	30 rpm	20 rpm	21 rpm	20 rpm
Maximum thrust force	400 kN	650 kN	800 kN	1 000 kN	1 100 kN	1 450 kN
	(90 000 lb)	(145000 lb)	(180 000 lb)	(225 000 lb)	(247 000 lb)	(320 000 lb)
Maximum pull back	600 kN	725 kN	1 100 kN	1 700 kN	2 000 kN	3 000 kN
	(135 000 lb)	(162000 lb)	(247 000 lb)	(380 000 lb)	(450 000 lb)	(675 000 lb)
Unit weight drill rig	17 000 kg	19 000 kg	27 000 kg	32 000 kg	34 500 kg	64 000 kg
	(18.4 short tons)	(20.9 short tons)	(29.8 short tons)	(35.3 short tons)	(38.0 short tons)	(70.5 short tons)
Unit weight hydraulic clamping device	3 000 kg (3.3 short tons)	5 000 kg (5.5 short tons)	6 000 kg (7.2 short tons)	9 000 kg (9.9 short tons)	9 000 kg (9.9 short tons)	Dependent on diameter
Hydraulic power pack type	HP II	HP IVa	HP IVa	HP Va/HP Va-s	HP VI/HP VI-s	HP VI/HP VI-s
Air compressor delivered air volume	10-15 m³/min	10-25 m³/min	20-25 m³/min	20-25 m³/min	2 x 25 m³/min	2 x 25 m³/min
	(353-529 ft³/min)	(353-882 ft³/min)	(705-882 ft³/min)	705-882 ft³/min	2 x 882 ft³/min	2 x 882 ft³/min
Air compressor operating pressure	13 bar	13 bar	17 bar	20 bar	20 bar	20 bar
	(188 psi)	(188 psi)	(246 psi)	(290 psi)	(290 psi)	(290 psi)
Back filling pump	800 m³/h	800/1 200 m <sup>3</sup> /h	1200 m³/h	1 400 m³/h	> 2500 m <sup>3</sup> /h	> 2500 m <sup>3</sup> /h
delivery volume	(470 ft³/min)	(470/706 ft <sup>3</sup> /min)	(706 ft³/min)	(824 ft³/min)	(> 1470 ft <sup>3</sup> /min)	(> 1470 ft <sup>3</sup> /min)
Back filling pump pressure at delivery head, approximately	5 bar	5 bar	5 bar	5 bar	5 bar	5 bar
	(72 psi)	(72 psi)	(72 psi)	(72 psi)	(72 psi)	(72 psi)

# Hydraulic Power Packs

We provide a full range of hydraulic power packs (HPU) from 162 kW (220 hp) to 470 kW (639 hp). All HPUs consist of leading edge technology and are optionally available as multi purpose units allowing to also drive auxiliary equipment.

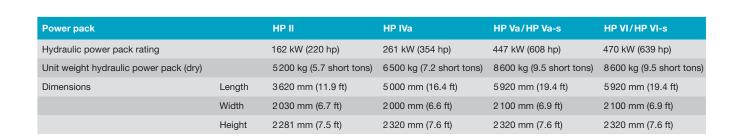
#### The main features are:

- Compact design for a minimum footprint
- Soundproofed cover reduces noise emission substantially to ≤ 78 db(A)
- Frame designed with removable modules allow easy access for service and maintenance
- Integrated lifting lugs for quick handling
- Built-in exhaust system ensure short set-up time
- Cooling system for heavy duty working conditions
- Enhanced safety and environmental features
- Premium class diesel engine

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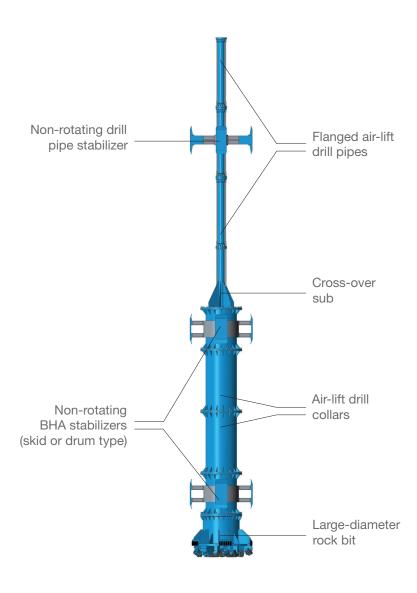
- Additional control panel for remote operation
- Operation with biodegradable oil possible
- Multi-function features to drive a casing oscillator/rotator or other pile top units (optional)



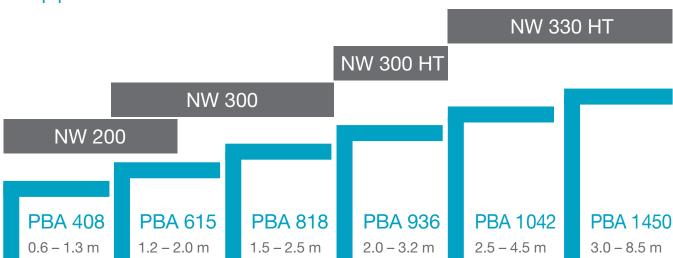


# **Drill String**

Our pile top drill rigs can be applied in a wide field of applications for which we can supply the necessary drill string components. The modular design of our drill string makes it suitable for any depth and diameter. All components are built for long life and rough use.



# Drill pipe diameters



# Special Tools

Pile top drilling is a challenging job. In addition to our standard drill rigs, we provide you with special tools for outstanding challenges.

The following tools are available:

- Large drilling diameter bits up to 8.5 m
- Rock bits with stinger
- Drill bits with integrated underreamer
- Pneumatic underreamer
- Hydraulic underreamer with rotor and separate power pack
- Milling tools to cut steel/deformed casings
- Steel-pile cutting tools for decommissioning of oil and gas platforms
- Cutters for all geological conditions up to 350 MPa





# **Experts at your Disposal**

Our experienced experts provide comprehensive advice – as early as the pre-project phase. This includes the indication of expected drilling rates and cutter lifetime, as well as recommendations for the supporting equipment to ensure the successful operation of our pile top drill rig.



#### Project completion

- Decommissioning
- Sourcing for new projects
- Equipment overhaul
- Preservation for storage

#### **Project execution**

- Service and maintenance
  - Performance improvement and optimization of resources
- Spare part supply and cutter management
- Operators upon request

### Project start

- Commissioning
- Training in assembly, maintenance and operation
- Supervision

### Tender phase

- Consulting
- Budgetary quote
- Matter statement for project execution
- Recommendation for auxiliary equipment

### Pre-project phase

- Project evaluation/analysis
- Execution proposal
- Definition of the required equipment

# Highest Efficiency with Reverse Circulation Drilling

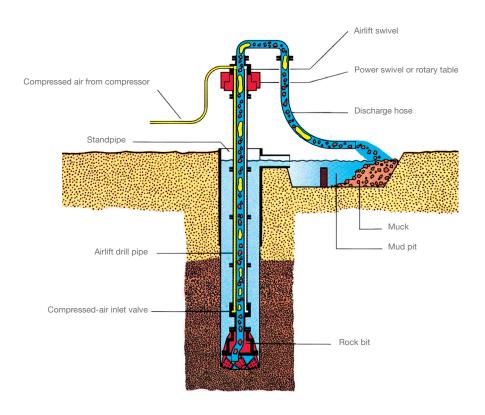
HMH is the world market leader in reverse circulation drilling (RCD). This method sets the standards for cost effectiveness and versatility.

The RCD method, also referred to as airlift drilling, is well-established as a robust and straightforward means of operation, which is highly effective for large diameters and great depths, both in onshore and offshore applications.

Principle of operation: Compressed air is injected into the drill pipe below water level and just above the cutting head. As the air rises and expands within the drill pipe, the density in the internal liquid column is greatly reduced, leading to a difference in pressure between the liquid in the drill hole outside and the liquid inside the drill pipe.

Due to the higher density in the outer column, the solids pass from the drill hole through the cutting-head suction suction opening, and rise up through the drill pipe. Provided that the correct air/liquid flow is established within the drill pipe, solids will be transported to the surface according to the airlift principle.

The differential pressure and thus the conveying capacity depend on the rate and volume of the compressed air injected, the depth of injection and the delivery head.



# References

More than 300 Wirth pile top drill rigs by HMH have proven to be outstandingly reliable and efficient in numerous projects around the world.





China/Hong Kong – Stonecutters Bridge PBA 936/3000/300 for foundation of flyover piles, each with a diameter of 3.0 m and depths of more than 100 m





UK/West Coast – Burbo windfarm Pile foundation for three MW wind turbines, with a drilling diameter of 4.5 m and depths of up to 60 m





Australia – North West Shelf PBA 936/3000/300 for foundation of the Angel oil and gas platform. Drilling diameter of 3.0 m and a drill string length of up to 110 m





USA/California – San Francisco - Oakland Bay Bridge PBA 933/3 000/300 for the reinforcement of the San Francisco Bay Bridge





USA/New Hampshire/Maine -Sarah Mildred Long Bridge PBA 933/3 000/300 for the foundation of 29 piles to replace the existing bridge; with a drilling diameter of 2.9 m and depths of up to 50 m





### India – Mumbai Port Extension PBA 615 for construction of

the 2 500 m long approach trestle; more than 600 piles with 1.2 m at a drilling depth of up to 45 m.

# References





Canada/Saint John – Canaport LNG terminal PBA 612 for foundation of 60 piles, each with a diameter of 1.12 m and a depth of 80 m





USA/Kentucky - Wolf Creek Dam

PBA 818/2500/300 for a cut-off wall, with a drilling diameter of 1.27 m, depths of up to 90 m, rock strengths of up to 150 MPa





Venezuela – Orinoco Bridge Three PBA 818 and one PBA 612 to install 156 piles (bridge length: 3.2 km), with diameters of 2.4 m and 1.8 m, and depths of up to 60 m

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