

Adding a 3D/Polyline Solid to the User Catalog

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QUESTION

I have created a custom shaped 3D/Polyline Solid and would like to add it to the library browser so that I can use it in future plans. How can I accomplish this task?

ANSWER

A 3D/Polyline Solid can easily be added to the User Catalog in X15 and newer versions using the Add to Library edit tool. However, in X14 and prior versions, a 3D/Polyline Solid must first be converted to an architectural block before it can be added to the User Catalog in the library browser.

To add a 3D/Polyline Solid to the library browser in X15 and newer versions

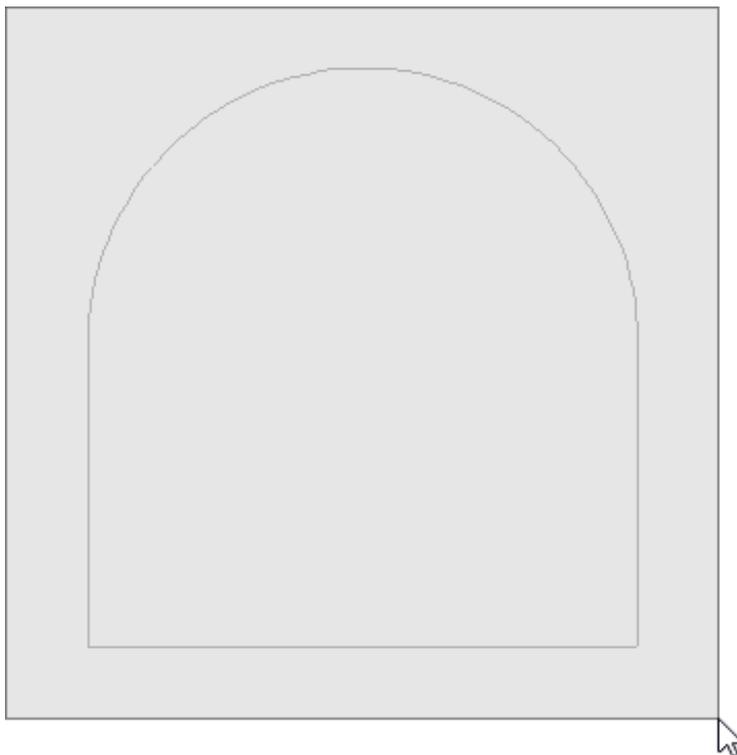
1. Using the **Select Objects**  tool, click on the 3D/Polyline Solid that you want to add to the User Catalog.
2. With the solid selected, click the **Add to Library**  edit tool.
3. The solid can now be found in the User Catalog and can be edited at anytime by right-clicking on the object's name, and selecting **Open Object**  from the

contextual menu.

Note: On a Mac, hold down the Control key while clicking to initiate a right-click command. More information about right-click commands on Apple input devices can be found in the following Apple resource: [Right-click on Mac \(https://support.apple.com/guide/mac-help/right-click-mh35853/mac#\)](https://support.apple.com/guide/mac-help/right-click-mh35853/mac#).

To add a 3D/Polyline Solid to the library browser in X14 and prior versions

1. Use the **Select Objects**  tool to drag a marquee around the 3D/Polyline Solid.



2. With the selection marquee created, click on the **Make Architectural Block**  edit tool.
3. Once you have blocked the solid, click on the **Add to Library**  edit tool to add the object to the User Catalog.

4. If you use this 3D/Polyline Solid in a future plan, and find you need to modify it, simply select it again and click on the **Explode Architectural Block**  edit tool to make modifications.

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