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[origin: EP0150977A2] The present invention provides an earth drill in which a rotatable drill table and a support mast are carried at the front of a motive unit which can be rotated by an operator about a substantially vertical axis to slew the drill table into and out of register with the hole to be made by a drill auger driven by the drill table by means of a drill kelly characterised in that the operator is to be located offset to one side of the centre line of the mast, in that the drill table 3 is carried offset to that side of the support mast 2 with the axis of rotation of the drill kelly 10 mounted in the drill table 3 lying substantially on the circumference of a circle having its centre as the axis of rotation of the motive unit 1; thus providing the operator with an unobstructed view of the drill tip so as to aid location of the drill in the ground. Preferably, there are provided means 4 for supporting one or more tubes for lining the hole drilled by the auger, the support means 4 being located substantially symmetrically to the side of the mast 4 opposed to the drill table 3 whereby the axis of the tubes supported by the support means 4 are located substantially on the circumference of the same circle as the axis of the drill kelly 10.

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