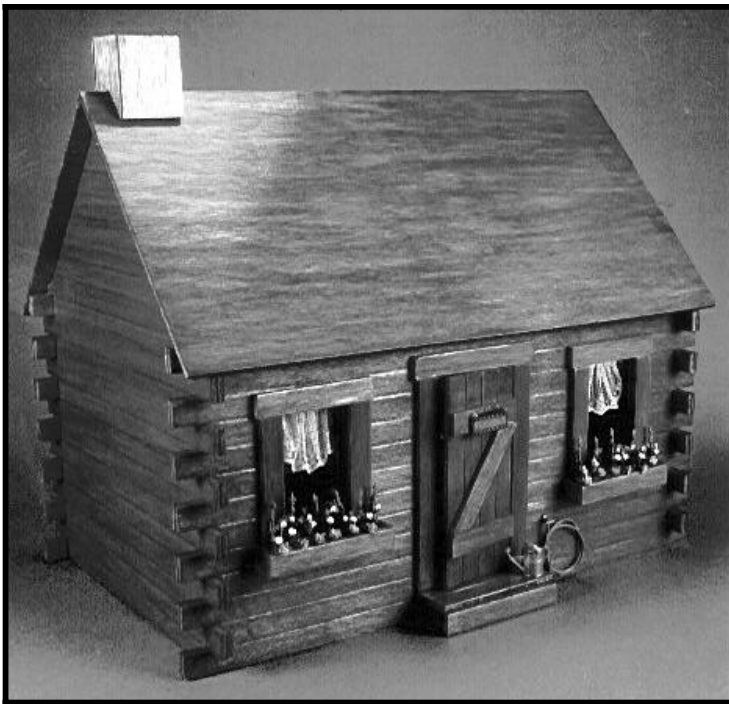


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The Shadybrook Cabin  
All Wood Dollhouse



# Instructions and Assembly Guide

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## Introduction

# In Short . . .

Welcome to the exciting world of dollhouses and miniatures. Since the first tab and slot die-cut dollhouse kits arrived on the scene in the mid 1970's, their design and styling concepts have evolved swiftly. However, complexity of construction has always accompanied the great design and styling.

*This kit was designed with  
efficiency in mind.*

As pioneers in the early days of the die-cut dollhouse industry, the designers for Corona Concepts have utilized a simpler method for building dollhouses. This kit has been designed with efficiency in mind. It has fewer complicated interlocking parts, while retaining the detail and realism necessary in the miniature industry.

We feel you will find that this kit will be an enjoyable and rewarding project. If you are just beginning to discover the wonderful world of miniatures, we hope that the simplicity of this kit will be a pleasant introduction to the craft. If you are an experienced veteran, we hope you will appreciate the simple, straight forward construction and design.

Before beginning assembly, please read through all of the instructions carefully. There are tips and suggestions to aid you in assembly. By becoming familiar with the steps involved and the contents of the kit, the assembly process will become a rewarding experience and the end product will be one you can be justly proud of.

If you should have any questions or comments during the construction of your Shadybrook Cabin, do not hesitate to call us at (800) 253-7150. We are here to answer all of your questions as well as to hear your comments about our product. Feedback from you, the customer, is our only indication of how we're doing our job.

Have fun and thank you for purchasing our product!

# Before You Begin

## THIS KIT CONTAINS:

- ♦ Nine pre-cut wood sheets
- ♦ One set of instructions
- ♦ One set of schematic diagrams

**If anything is missing,  
contact us at (800) 253-7150!**

## ITEMS YOU NEED TO SUPPLY

- ♦ Lead pencil and eraser
- ♦ Emery board
- ♦ Newspapers or other drop cloth
- ♦ Extra sandpaper
- ♦ Ruler or other straight edge
- ♦ Wood filler
- ♦ Stiff bristled brush
- ♦ Glue ( We recommend that you use a hot melt glue gun and glue sticks. You can assemble the house with white or household glue, however items will need to be clamped or otherwise held tight while the glue dries. This slows down overall construction time considerably.)

**Hot melt glue and glue guns  
may be found at your local  
hardware or craft store!**

## Tips for Success!

1. Save the kit box as a safe "nest " for the wood sheets until all the parts have been removed from them. Also the photos on the outside of the box may be useful as a reference tool.
2. Set your work area up on a large flat surface with all of your supplies at hand. Consider an area that does not have to be "cleared" every day. Your project will take some time and if assemblies can remain in place until the paint or glue dries, it will be to your advantage.
3. Follow the instructions in order! Do NOT jump ahead or reverse the order of assembly.
4. Only remove parts from the pre-cut wood sheets as they are called for in the instructions. If there are parts that for any reason are removed from the sheet but not called for yet, write the sheet number on the cut out and re-file or tape the piece to the rest of that sheet.
5. When removing pieces from the pre-cut sheets, do so with extreme care. Some of these items are very detailed and somewhat fragile.
6. The schematic diagrams are labeled with the sheet number, part's names, part's orientation (i.e., left, right, interior, exterior, etc.). It is helpful to write in pencil, this information on the pieces before removing them from the sheets. All markings can easily be erased later.

**A well lit work area will  
work best!**

Empty cans or containers will help keep things organized.

7. The instructions contain some abbreviations and terms which you will need to become familiar with:

- ◆ **R&P** - (Remove & Prepare) This means to remove the specified part from the sheet by carefully punching the piece out from the front to the back of the sheet. Prepare the piece by carefully sanding any rough edges and painting, staining, or otherwise decorating as desired.
- ◆ **Face Up** - means laying the item down with the smooth side up.
- ◆ **Face Down** - means laying the item down with the smooth side down.
- ◆ **Front** - the front of any sheet is that side which is smooth and the die cut lines are clearly visible.

8. Always "dry fit" parts before gluing.

A foam brush works best for staining!

9. If staining, stain first, let dry, then proceed. If painting, do not paint tabs or inside of slots. Painting these areas will not allow the parts to fit together properly. These areas can be touched up after assembly. Glue also tends to adhere better to wood than to a painted surface.

10. Right and left are as viewed from the front of the house unless otherwise noted in the instructions.

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## Finishing Touches

Finishing your dollhouse is only limited by your imagination. Paint, wallpaper, stain and stucco are only a few of the items you can be creative with.

Wood fill and primer can be very helpful. Use the wood fill to smooth joints between tabs and slots and on corner seams. Primer is recommend to prime the wood with before painting. Parts to be stained should NOT be primed.

Satin finish latex house paint will give a better result than either flat or gloss finish.

Be sure to check your local craft shop for other decorative items such as siding, floor tiles, carpet, electrification kits, furniture, etc.

# Assembly Instructions

## A) WINDOW TRIM

- ✂ R&P front wall from sheet #3. When removing the front wall from sheet three, do not discard any of the  $\frac{3}{4}$ " squares. All 12 of these will be used in construction later on.
- ✂ R&P eight window trim sides located on sheet #4.
- ✂ R&P four window trim tops located on sheet #4.
- ✂ R&P two interior window trim bottoms located on sheet #4A.



1. Lay the front wall face down. Glue the window sides to each window, keeping the top and bottom edges flush with the window opening. Position the top and bottom pieces and glue. Note the top/bottom pieces over-hang the side pieces just a little. Repeat this process for all interior windows.

2. Flip the front wall over – it will now be face up. Repeat the above steps for trimming the exterior windows, the only

## B) ASSEMBLY OF WINDOW BOXES

- ✂ R&P two window box fronts located on sheet #3.
- ✂ R&P two window box backs located on sheet #3.
- ✂ R&P four window box sides located on sheet #3.
- ✂ R&P two window box bottoms located on sheet #3.

1. With the front wall of the house face up, glue the window box back underneath the window opening as if it were the window trim bottom. Glue the window box bottom in place keeping it flush with the bottom edge of the back. Glue the side pieces in place and then finish with the front piece. Be sure to keep all edges flush. Repeat process for second window box.

## C) ASSEMBLY OF FRONT DOOR

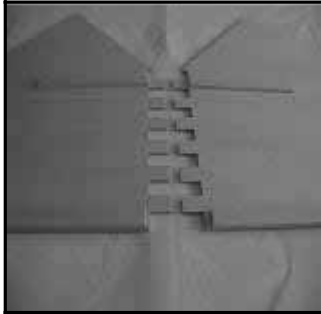


- ✂ R&P four door planks from sheet #2.
- ✂ R&P three door braces – one is located on sheet #2 and two are located on sheet #3.

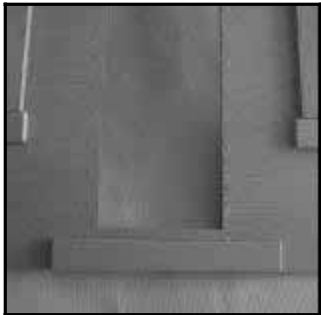
1. Position and glue the four door planks side by side with top and bottom edges flush. Using the photo as a guide, position and glue the door braces to the front side of the door.

2. Set this assembly aside for now.

## D) ASSEMBLY OF HOUSE STRUCTURE



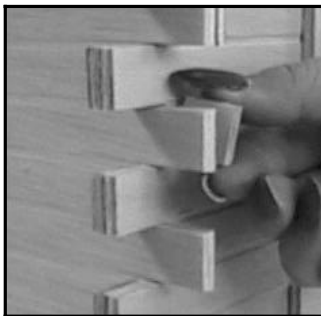
- ✍ R&P left side of house located on sheet #1A. Save all of the little  $\frac{3}{4}$ " squares – you should have 14 from this sheet and prepare them to match the outside of your house.
- ✍ R&P right side of house located on sheet #1. Save all of the little  $\frac{3}{4}$ " squares – you should have 14 from this sheet and prepare them to match the outside of your house as well.
- ✍ Prepare the 12  $\frac{3}{4}$ " squares you saved from section "A" to match the outside of your house.
- ✍ R&P first floor and second floor.
- ✍ R&P first and second floor supports located on sheets #2 & #4A.



1. With the side walls face down, position and glue the first floor side supports in place. Keep them flush with the bottom edge of the wall and centered from side to side. Glue the second floor side supports on the twelfth log, keeping front edge flush to front edge of wall. (Use photo as a guide)

2. With the front wall face down, position and glue the first floor support under the front door opening. Keep it flush with the bottom edge of the wall and centered under the door opening.

3. Interlock the side walls with the front wall. The openings for the interlock will be tight. You may find that it will be necessary to sand the openings slightly to ease the interlock process.

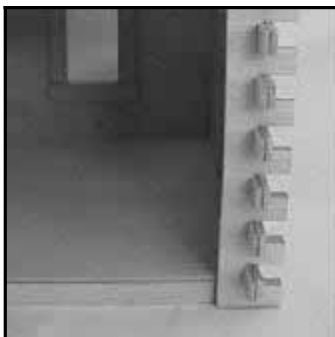


4. Now you will glue the  $\frac{3}{4}$ " squares or "log ends" onto the **backside** of each log that extends out past the interlock. Each  $\frac{3}{4}$ " square should be flush with the log you are gluing it to. This forces the side wall tight to the front wall and eliminates the need to actually glue the walls together.

5. Slide the first floor into position over top of the first floor supports – glue in place.

6. Slide the second floor into position over top of the second floor supports - glue in place.

7. Position the first floor back support along the under side of



## E) ASSEMBLY OF BACK WALLS

- ✍ R&P two back walls – one from sheet #1 and one from sheet #1A. Remember to save all of the little  $\frac{3}{4}$ " squares – you should have 6 from each sheet.

1. Interlock the back walls to the back edge of the side walls. The openings for the interlock will be tight. You may find that it will be necessary to sand the openings slightly to ease the interlock process.

2. Now you will glue the  $\frac{3}{4}$ " squares or "log ends" onto the **backside** of each log that extends out past the interlock. Each  $\frac{3}{4}$ " square should be flush with the log you are gluing it to . This forces the back wall tight to the side wall and eliminates the need to actually glue the walls together.

## **F) ASSEMBLY OF FRONT DOOR TRIM**

- ✂ R&P three pieces of exterior front door trim from sheets #2 and #4.
- ✂ R&P three pieces of interior front door trim from sheet #2 and #4.

1. Position and glue the exterior door trim pieces flush to the outside door opening. Position and glue the interior door trim pieces flush to the inside door opening.

## **G) ASSEMBLY OF ROOF**

- ✂ R&P front roof and the back roof from sheet #2.

1. Position and glue the back roof on first.

2. Position and glue the front roof. The front roof will overlap the back roof at the top.

## **H) ASSEMBLY OF CHIMNEY**

- ✂ R&P chimney front from sheet #1.
- ✂ R&P two chimney sides from sheet #1 & #1A.
- ✂ R&P chimney back from sheet #1A.
- ✂ R&P chimney top from sheet #1A.

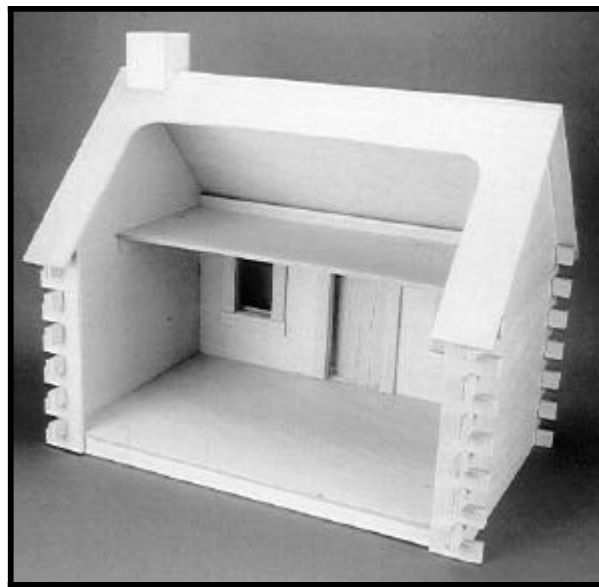
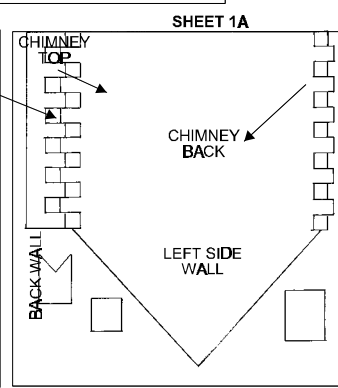
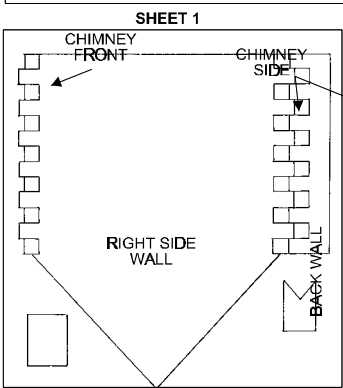
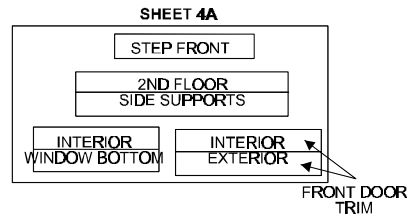
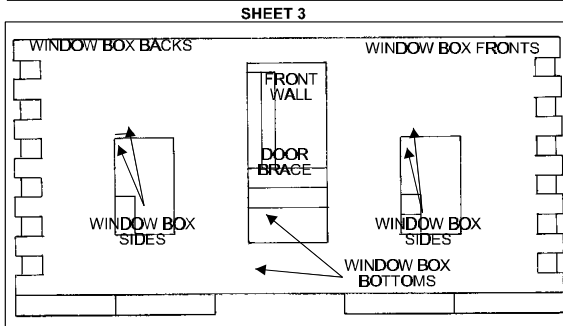
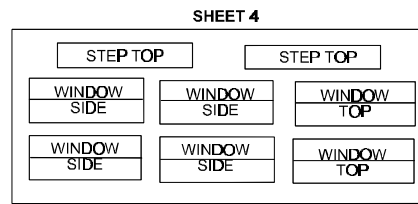
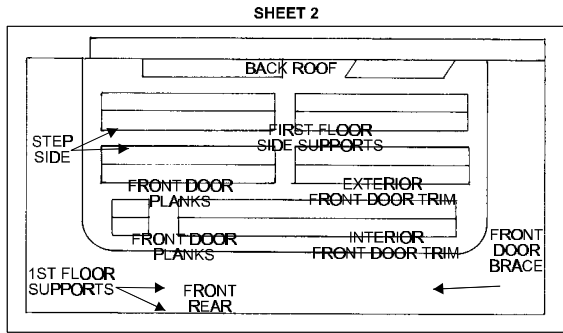
1. Position and glue one chimney side to the chimney front. Next glue the chimney top in position then add the other side and the back. Position and glue the chimney assembly on to the roof using front page photo as a guide for placement

## **I) ASSEMBLY OF CHIMNEY**

- ✂ R&P two step tops from sheet #4.
- ✂ R&P two step sides from sheet #2.
- ✂ R&P one step front from sheet #4A.

1. Position and glue the step sides perpendicular to the front of the house, opposite the sides of the front door opening and flush with the bottom edge of the house. Position and glue to the two step tops centered flat on the top edge of the sides. Position and glue the step front centered against the front edge of the sides. Note: the tops and the front will extend over the sides by approximately  $\frac{3}{4}$ " .

2. Position and glue the front door in place.



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