This instruction set applies to dollhouse kits made from 01/10 until 07/10. Look at the date stamped on the kit box to determine when the kit was packed

Read the instructions all the way through and test the parts for identification, to see how they fit, and to plan ahead for the finishing materials you have chosen.

Many of the pieces in this kit are easiest to paint before gluing them together, especially if they are different colors. Paint the exposed surfaces of the trim, Gingerbread, Windows, Porch Parts, and the Door before assembly; but you must not sand or paint the gluing survaces. Planning makes the project easier!



The Cherrydale (kit #453) Exterior

The Cherrydale (kit #453)
Interior

Congratulations on your purchase of a Lilliput Dollhouse by Real Good Toys. Your Dollhouse has been precision made with meticulous care by our craftspeople using only the finest quality materials.

This dollhouse will last for years, even generations, if proper care and attention is given during assembly. Take your time during assembly and be sure to read the instructions completely before you proceed.

Check all parts and packs against the parts list before beginning construction to identify the parts and to make sure you have everything. If you need replacement parts be sure to include the exact name and measurements taken directly from the parts list.

Assembly Notes:

A large, clutter-free, well lighted work area is most helpful during assembly, and a flat work surface is essential.

Supplies:

White glue Pencil

Masking tape Sandpaper: 100 grit and 320 grit

Nail Set or Awl 'Light' Spackle

Don't be stingy with glue or tape. Use generous amounts of glue. Always wipe off excess glue immediately.

Read the instructions carefully, look at each of the illustrations. With the parts in your hands, think the assembly through before you proceed.

Always test fit (no glue) parts before final assembly. Sand any rough edges before gluing.

Check all the joints to be sure everything is tight or straight. If more tape or a helper is needed, it's good to know that before the parts have glue on them.

Make sure everything is straight and flat as the glue dries... That's the shape that will be permanent. Make all joints flush. Keep surfaces and edges square. **Painting:** Use high quality semi-gloss latex enamel, sanding between coats with 320 grit silicone carbide sandpaper. Avoid old gloppy paint and poor quality paint brushes. Do not paint surfaces to be glued.

After assembly but before any outside details are attached, repair any defects, fill the nail holes, sand carefully with 320 grit silicone carbide sandpaper, then re-paint. Sometimes a 3rd coat is necessary.

When nailing the side and front panels to the floors, be very careful of the nail placement; use a straight edge to line up the middle nail in each row of nails.

Always check the inside of the joint for crooked nail before the nail is driven all the way in.... then you can grab it with pliers if it's necessary to pull it out.

Drive the last bit of the nail in with a hammer and nail set or awl to leave the nail head a little below the surface. Then sand and fill the nail hole with 'light' spackle or wood putty. Sand again when the fill is dry, and paint when you paint the wall.

Options:

A wide variety of materials and accessories are available to help you achieve your dream house.

The following is a partial list of accessories available through your Real Good Toys' miniature dealer.

#453SS Shingle & Siding Pack

#455 Gable Wing Extension

#SC Copper flashing

#T10 Turntable

#EL66 EZ Punch and Electrification Helper Set (The EZ Punch piercing tool punches holes making nailing, screwing, and setting electrical parts easier.)

The Cherrydale #453 and Extension #455 with Optional Lilliput Upgrade parts:

- (1) 1119 ovallite door
- (2) 2050 (4) Flower Box & Flowers
- (6) 2060 Window with Louvered Shutters
- (1) 4017 Staircase and Landing Rails
- (2) 2002L (4) Turned Porch Posts
- (1) 3032 (3) Porch Railings
- (1) 5260 (3) Gingerbread
- (1) 5403 Chimney
- (1500) Shingles



Parts: (measurements are approximate and for identification purposes only)

"SP" Walls for Smooth Plywood Kits only:

- (2) 1054 Endwall: $(1/4) \pm 2313/16$ Peaked x 113/4
- (1) 5333 Right Front (Inset): (1/4) 173/4 x 11/8
- (1) 5334 Gable Front: (1/4) 173/4 x77/8, Window Cutouts
- (1) 1113 Gable Triangle: (1/4) 5 Tall x 10 Base
- (2) 5311 Gable Sides: (3/8) 173/4 x 41/4
- (1) 1082 Left Front: (1/4) 173/4 x 143/16, W&D Cutouts
- (4) 1515 Wall Liner: (1/8) 85/32 x 113/4
- (2) 1516 Attic Liner: (1/8) 57/8 x 113/4 Triangle, inlet

"MM" Walls for Milled MDF Kits only:

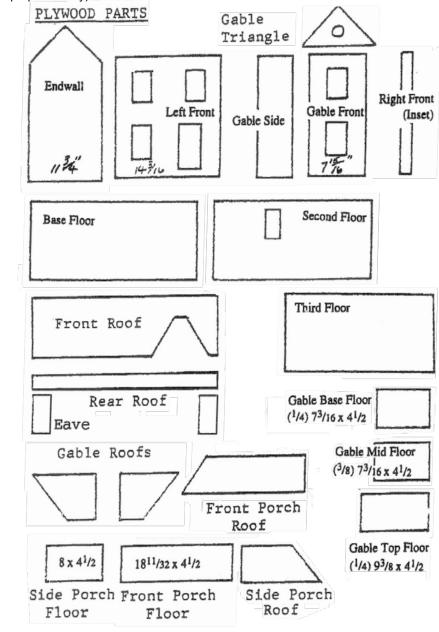
- (2) 1013 Endwall: $(1/4) \pm 2313/16$ Peaked x 113/4
- (1) 5310 Right Front (Inset): $(1/4) 17^{3/4} \times 1^{1/8}$
- (1) 5314 Gable Front: (1/4) 173/4 x 77/8, Window Cutouts
- (1) 1019 Gable Triangle: (1/4) 5 Tall x 10 Base
- (2) 5321 Gable Sides: (3/8) 173/4 x 41/4
- (1) 1016 Left Front: (1/4) 173/4 x 143/16, W&D Cutouts
- (4) 1517 Wall Liner: (1/8) 85/32 x 113/4
- (2) 1518 Attic Liner: (1/8) 57/8 x 113/4 Triangle, inlet

All Kits:

- (1) 1053 Base Floor: (1/4) 223/32 x 113/4
- (1) 1085 Second Floor: (3/8) 223/32 x 113/4, Stair Hole
- (1) 1052 Third Floor: (3/8) 223/32 x 113/4
- (1) 5330 Gable Mid Floor: (3/8) 73/16 x 41/2
- (1) 5331 Gable Base Floor: (1/4) $7^3/16 \times 4^1/2$
- (1) 5332 Gable Top Floor: $(1/4) 9^{3/8} \times 4^{1/2}$
- (2) 1082A Divider Body: (3/8) 85/32 x 77/8
- (2) 1082B Door Back: (3/8) 85/32 x 11/16
- (2) 1082C Door Top: (3/8) 11/16 x 31/16
- (1) 1067 Stair Base: $(1/4) \pm 99/16$, Bev. x 21/4
- (1) 1075 Front Porch Floor: (1/4) 1811/32 x 41/2
- (1) 1075 Side Porch Floor: (1/4) 8 x 41/2
- (1) 1077 Front Porch Roof: $(1/4) \pm 19$, Mitered x 51/4
- (1) 1078 Side Porch Roof: $(1/4) \pm 14$, Mitered x 51/4
- (1) 5335 Front Roof: (1/4) 255/8 x 95/8 Tall, Gable Cutout
- (1) 5336A Rear Roof: (1/4) 255/8 x 2
- (2) 5336B Eave: (1/4) 21/8 x 75/8
- (pr) 5337(L&R) Gable Roof: (1/4) 81/8 Tall x 10 Top
- (1) 5385 Gable Ceiling: (3/4Triangular) 91/8 end bevel
- (1) DS6 Gingerbread Sheet (1/8) 19 x 65/8
- (24) 3014 Shaped Balusters
- (1) 1543 Pack of (11) Steps: (3/4 x1/2 "L") 21/4

Longs:

- (1) 1551 Ridgepole: (3/4 x 3/4) 223/32
- (2) 1510 Underframe: (1/2 x 1/2) 223/32
- (1) 1522 Porch Underframe: $(1/2 \times 1/2) 185/16$
- (4) 1563 Corner Molding: (1/2 x 1/2) 1719/32
- (2) #7 Scollop Gingerbread: 23¹/₂
- (1) 1553 Front House Beam: (3/8) 5/8 w/bev. x 133/4
- (1) 1556 Front Porch Beam: (3/4) 3/8 w/bev. x 185/16 **Shorts:**
- (1) 1554 Side House Beam: (3/8) 5/8 w/bev. x 71/2
- (1) 1557 Side Porch Beam: (3/4) 3/8 w/bev. x 121/2
- (2) 1511 Underframe: (1/2 x 1/2) 103/4
- (1) 1521 Porch Underframe: (1/2 x 1/2) 12
- (1) 1542 Stair Side Board: (11/8 x 1/8), Mitered
- (1) 1531 Gable Trimstrip: (9/16 x 3/32) 105/8 Mitered
- (1) 1560 Gable Floor Trimstrip: (7/32 x 3/32) 93/8
- (1) 5351 Underframe: (1/2 x 1/2) 73/16
- (6) 1572 Glue Strip: (3/16 x 3/16) 6



Stubbies

- (8) 1524 Underframe: $(1/2 \times 1/2) 4$
- (1) bag of brads

Post & Rail:

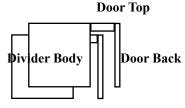
- (5) 1575 Post: $(1/2 \times 1/2)$ 8
- (8) 1577 Rail: (3/8 x 5/16) 51/4, Grooved

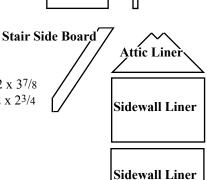
Door Pack (boxed):

- (1) 1015 Door
- (1) 2018 Octagon Window
- (1) 1018A Landing (3/16 Raised Panel): 2 x 37/8
- (1) 1018B Landing (3/16 Raised Panel): 2 x 23/4

(5) WX Window Packs, each:

- (2) Shutter Spacers: $(3/16 \times 3/16) 41/2$
- (2) Shutters: $(3/16) 41/2 \times 13/16$
- (2) Lintels: $(1/4) 3 \times 3/8$
- (2) Interior Side Trims: (1/8) 53/16 x 3/8
- (2) Interior Top & Bottom Trims: (1/8) 2¹¹/₁₆ x ³/₈
- (1) 6 over 6 Silkscreened Window





Assemble the Stairs:

1. Test the Stair Blocks on the Stair Base to see how they fit; the narrow leg of the "L" is the top. Spread three lines of glue the length of the Stair Base.

2. Glue the Steps to the Stair Base. The bottom and top steps are flush ("flush" means forming a continuous unbroken surface) with the ends of the Stair Base (Illustration #I).

Before the glue dries, make sure all of the steps line up on the ends and are spaced evenly.

Let the glue dry.

3. Glue together the Landings (from the Door box) to make a right angle. (Illustration #2)

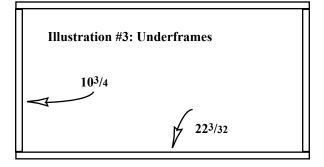
Assemble the Underframes:

Pro Tip: When attaching a Floor to its Underframe, check to be sure the best side of the Base Floor is facing in the direction that *will be* "up" (this is the surface that will be visible when your dollhouse is completed)

1. Glue and tape together the Underframe perimeter. The long underframes overlap the short underframes (Illustration #3).

2. Glue, weight, and tape the Underframe assembly to the Base Floor, lined up at the edges. Set aside to dry.

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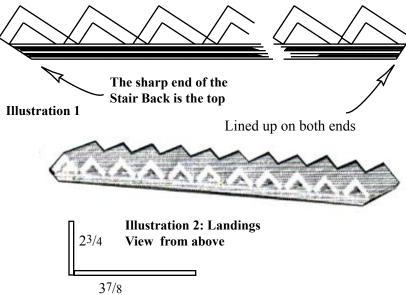


Attach the Sides:

Now is a great time for an extra pair of hands.

1. Without glue, test the Base Floor assembly along with the Sides to check the fit. The Sides are lined up at the front, back, and bottom edges of the Underframe (Illustration #4).

2. Spread glue along the ends of the Base Floor/Underframe. Nail through the bottom Sides into the Underframe. Use a straight edge to position the middle nail(s): Remember to check for a mis-aimed nail while the nail head is still sticking out.

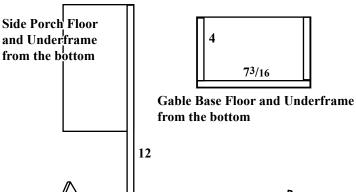


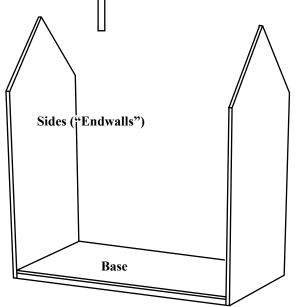
3. Assemble the Porch Floors and Porch Underframes. Assemble the Gable Base Floor and Underframe

Front Porch Floor and Underframe from the bottom 185/16

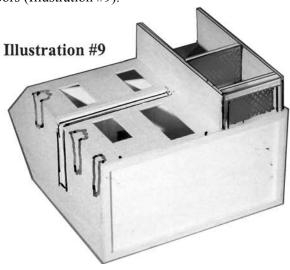
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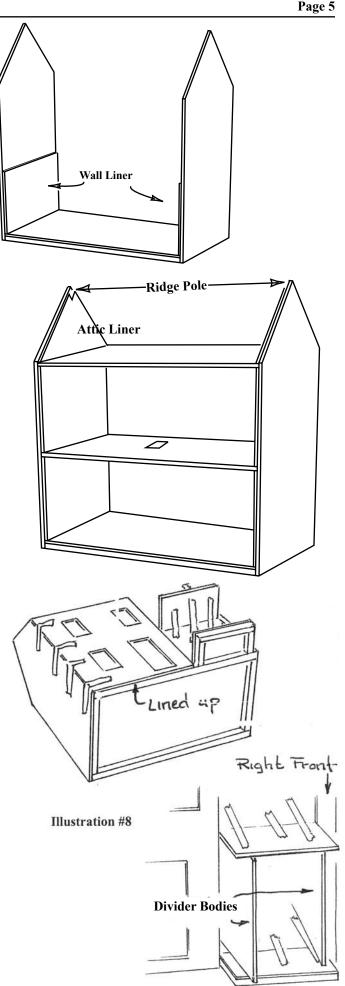
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3. Glue and tape a Wall Liner to each Side above and touching the Base. The Wall Liners support and locate the Middle Floor. Spread glue on the ends of the Middle Floor. Glue the Middle Floor in place, (the stair hole is closer to the Front and Right Side, as seen from the *Front* of the house). Nail through the Sides into the Middle Floor. 4. Glue and tape a Wall Liner to each Side, above and touching the Middle Floor. The Wall Liners support and locate the Top Floor. Glue and nail the Top Floor in place. Tape the Front to the walls and floors to hold the housebody straight as the glue dries When the glue is dry, take off the tape The Attic Liners can be attached now, but I prefer to set them in place without glue until it's time to finish the interior... it's much easier to cut wallpaper to fit a triangle on the table than in the house. 5. Set a Divider Body between each floor. Glue the Left Front into position on the housebody (Illustrations #8 & 9). This is the operation that straightens the house: Carefully line up the Front with the left edge all the way from the bottom to the top. Tape the Front securely to the Left Side. Line up the bottom edges of the Front and the Underframe. Nail the Front to the Underframe. Hold the floors and Dividers tight; nail the front to the floors (Illustrations #8 & 9). 6. Glue the Gable Base Floor/Gable Underframe assembly to the Housebody's Underframe and to the House Base Floor, touching the Left Front (Illustration #8). Make the surface of the Gable Base Floor line up with the House Base Floor. 7. Slide Divider Bodies between the floors to locate and install the Gable Middle Floor, touching the Left Front. Make sure the Gable Floors line up with the housebody's Floors. 8. Glue, and tape the Right Front Panel to the House Right Side; glue and nail the Right Front to the Floors. 9. Glue, tape, and nail the Gable Sides to the house Fronts and Gable Floors (Illustration #9). Illustration #9





L_10. Glue and tape the Gable Front to the gable body, lined up at the edges. Nail through the Gable Front into the Underframe and Mid Floor.
11. Glue and tape the Gable Third Floor on the top edges of the Gable Sides, spaced evenly side-to-side (Illustration #11). The Gable Top Floor is a step up from the housebody's Top Floor.

Assemble the Roof:

1. Glue and nail the Ridge Pole ($^{3}/_{4}$ " x $^{3}/_{4}$ " x $^{2}/_{32}$ ") between the pointed ends of the Side panels, lined up along the edges (Illus #12).

2. Glue and tape together the Rear Roof and Eaves lined up on the outside edges

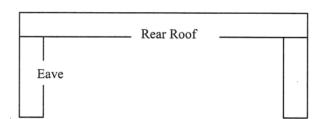


Illustration #10

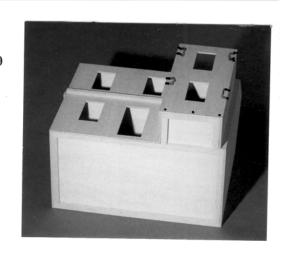
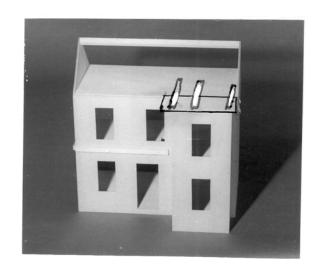
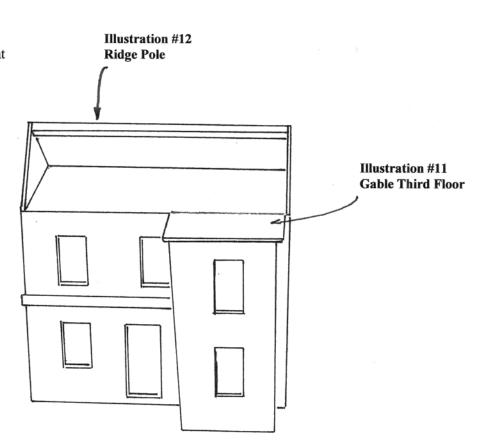


Illustration #11



3. Without glue, test the fit of the Front Roof on the house, flush along the upper edge of the Ridge Pole and centered side-to-side. Glue, tape, and nail (2" from the ends) the Front Roof to the Ridge Pole. Glue and tape the Front Roof to the top edge of the Sides.



4. Without glue, test the fit of the Rear Roof set on the house, flush along the upper edge of the Ridge Pole and centered side-to-side. The edges at the top of the Front Roof and Rear Roof form a "V" (gluing surface for the Peak Gingerbread) see Illustration #14).

Glue, tape, and nail the Rear Roof set to the Ridge Pole. Glue and tape the Rear Roof to the upper edges of the Sides (Illus. #15).

5. Glue and tape the Gable Triangle in place on the Gable Front, lined up along the front edge and evenly spaced side-to-side (Illustration #13).

Gable Triangle and to the Front Roof, lined up with the top edges of the Gable Triangle (Illustration #16). Let the glue dry.

7. Test the Gable Roofs on the house. The peak "V" will hold the Gingerbread; the beveled edge goes against the Roof.

Glue and tape the Gable Roofs to the Gable Ceiling, to the upper edges of the Gable Triangle, and to the Front Roof.

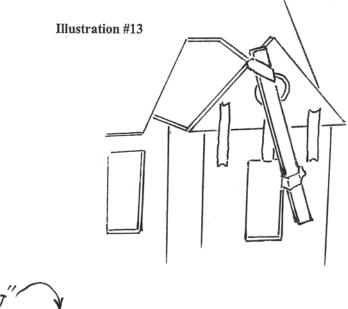




Illustration #14

Illustration #15

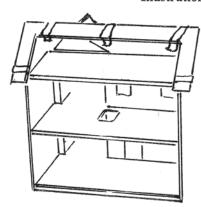
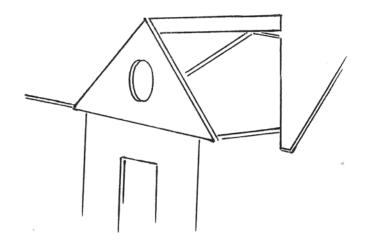
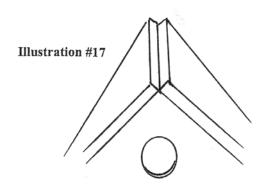


Illustration #16





Assemble & Attach the Shutter Spacers

Interior Window Trim:

1. Glue a Shutter Spacer (3/16" x 3/16" x 41/2"), flush along the back edge of each Shutter as shown. The Shutter Spacer is to hold the Window Pane in place against the Interior Window Trim (Illustration #18 & 19).

Note: If you intend to install clapboard siding on your house you <u>must</u> use the Oversized Shutter Spacers supplied in the clapboard kit.

2. Glue together the interior trim as shown. Glue the interior window trim sets to the inside of each window hole, centered on the hole (about 1/8" inside the hole all around). Use a divider to "square up" the interior Trim, and look from the outside to make sure the Trim is centered in the window hole (Illustration #19).

Install the Door, Windows, & Exterior Trim:

3. Install the Doors from the outside and the door trim from the inside.

4. Place the Window Panes in the openings (with the "locks" up), resting on the Interior Trim. "Square up" the window pane.. hold it in place with a few dots of silicone glue at the corners. Glue the Shutters and Lintels in place (Illustration #20).

Porch Assembly:

Preview: In this section, you will assemble and install the Porch. (step 1 may already be done) See Illustrations 3 and 4 on page 4.

1. Glue, weight, and tape the Porch Floors to the Porch Floor Underframe assemblies, lined up at the edges.

D2. Lightly Mark the location of the Porch House Beams $9^{1/2}$ " up from the bottom edge of the Left Side panel and the Left Front panel. Without glue, set the $13^{3}/4$ " House Beam on the Front panel, just above the $9^{1/2}$ " mark, Flush with the left end, and with the beveled edge out and angled down (Illustration #21).

Glue the House Beam in place. Repeat for the $7^{1/2}$ " Porch House Beam on the Left Side panel, lined up on the front edge.

3. Without glue, lay out five Porch Mounting Blocks (4" underframes) on the bottom edge of the Left Front and Left Side panel, spaced as shown (Illustration #22).

Glue the Mounting Blocks in place.

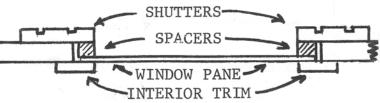
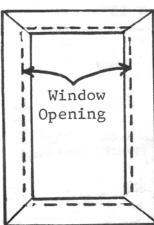


Illustration #18

Illustration #19



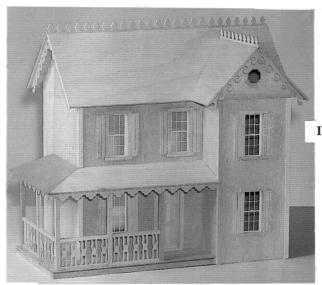
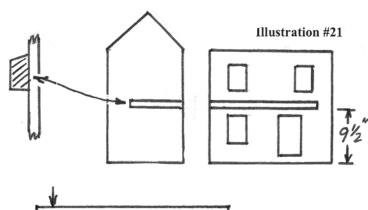


Illustration #20



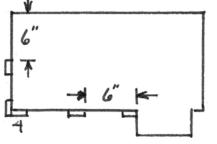


Illustration #22

4. Lay the Porch Roofs down on a flat surface with the underside facing up. Without glue, lay out the Porch Beams on the underside (now facing up) of the Porch Roofs (Illustration #23 & #24 & #25). Make sure that the bevels are positioned as shown in Illustration #25.

5. Glue the Porch Beams in place, 1/2" from the long edges of the Porch Roofs, lined up with the square ends, and 1/16"± space at the angled end as shown. Use weight to hold the Beams in place as the glue dries.

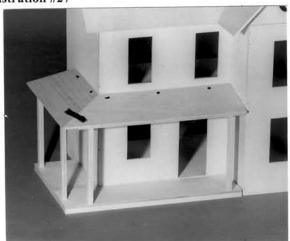
6. Glue, tape, and nail the Porch Floors to the Mounting Blocks (Illustration #26).

7. Glue and tape the Porch Roofs on the beveled edges of the House Beams. Use the Porch Posts for vertical support at the outer edges of the Porch Roofs (Illustration #27). Use tape across the corner joint of the roof panels to hold it secure until the glue is dry.

8. Assemble the Porch Rails: The Porch railing parts should be painted ahead of time, if you haven't yet done so, do now. Wipe any paint out of the grooves, and do not paint the Rail ends at all.

9. Match the Rails into assembly pairs. Spread glue in the grooves of one Rail for each pair. Set the Balusters into the grooves of the Rail, spaced evenly. Be sure all the Balusters are even, straight, and square (Illustration #28).

Illustration #27



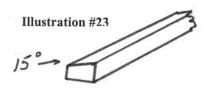


Illustration #24

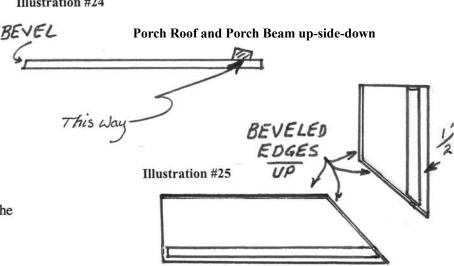


Illustration #26

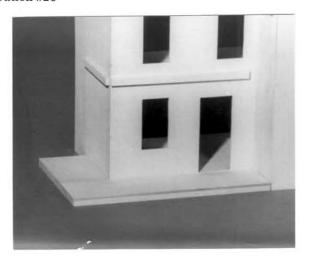
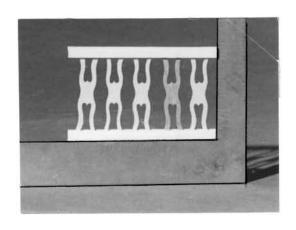


Illustration #28



10. Repeat step #9 for the second Rail of the assembly pair squeezing the Balusters in one at a time. Hold the Railing set in a square or lined up with the square edge of a piece of paper to make the Rail ends exactly line up. Final adjust the Balusters straight and square. Let the glue dry.

Lay out the Post and Railing assemblies to see how they work with each other. Start with the Corner post and work across the front and down the side porch as shown. Carefully remove the post and rail assemblies.

Assemble the Posts & Rails: Glue and tape the ends of the Rails to the Posts, flush at the bottom and centered front-and-back (Illustration #29).

Make sure the assembly set is straight and square.

Spread glue on the top and bottom edges of the Posts. Set the assemblies back in place one at a time. Make sure that the Rail assemblies are straight. Add tape or weights to the Porch Roof.

Finish the Outside Details: (paint first)

1. Glue the Octagon Window into the opening of the Gable Front. Glue the Gable Trimstrip in place (Illustration #30).

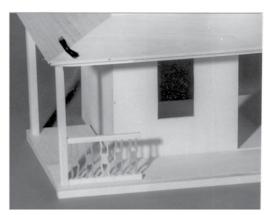
2. Cut-to-fit (where necessary), then glue the Corner Molding to the front corners of the house (Illustration #30).

3. Fit then glue the rooftop gingerbread to the Roofs and Gable Roofs as shown.

4. Glue trimstrips (3/16" x 3/16" x 6") to the back side of the Eave Gingerbread (this will provide a gluing surface under the Roofs).

Cut-to-fit, then glue and tape the Scroll Gingerbread to the Porch Roof and the Porch Beam (Illustrations #30).

Illustration #29



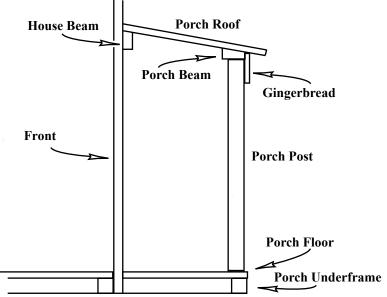




Illustration #30

Finish the Inside...Plan Ahead!

Interior finishing involves so many choices! Will this house be a play-house or a display for miniatures? What accessories will be used and where will they go? Wiring? Wallpaper? Tile or carpeting? Every choice makes a difference in the order of finishing. Real Good Toys has provided materials for some basic interior work, but you may choose to do it differently. Make your choices

Get your materials

Test your layout

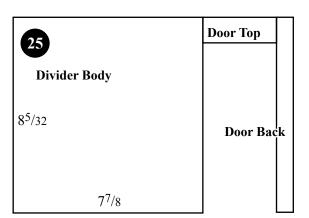
With the pieces in your hands, imagine the steps to get to where you want to be.

Now you're ready for **your** order of interior finishing. Here's the order that our assembly pro follows for tackling most custom interior finishing:

- Dividers
- Electrical wiring (using "tape" style wiring)
- Wallpaper (using methylcellulose paste)
- Interior Window Trim
- Flooring
- Stairs and Landing
- Baseboard and crown moldings

1. Assemble the Dividers: The Dividers are in 3 pieces and they may be used in the house as a partition using only the 7⁷/8 Divider Body, they may be assembled into a full-depth divider with a doorway that will accept many styles of interior doors, or they may be re-configured for a custom interior (an extra Door Back has been included in your kit). Illustration #25 shows Divider assembly.

Glue and tape together the Divider parts against a straight-edge at the top; make them straight and square!.



2. Test the Divider layout without glue... straight front-to-back and up-and-down. Use one divider to "square up" the other, mark the location for the first, and then test and mark for the second.

To glue Dividers in, apply glue, tip the Divider and put it almost all the way in, set the base, lift the floor above for some clearance, tip the Divider upright, and slide it the rest of the way in place; clean-up the excess glue.



3. Install the Window Panes and (painted?) Interior Trim.

Stairs

Stair Side Board

4. Test, the Stairs in the stairholes. Set the Stair Side Board against the Stairs, lined up in back. They may be assembled and installed all at once, or assembled out of the house for painting. Install the Landing set

The Dollhouse Construction part of your project is complete!
Enjoy the rest