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Assembly Instruction

VM 800 VICTORIAN MANSION MINIATURE HOUSE KIT

FINISHED SIZE 25" x 52" x 45"



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VM-800 VICTORIAN MANSION

Congratulations on selecting a miniature house kit manufactured by Dura-Craft, Inc., the leader in the industry.

All pine parts used in our kits are manufactured from the finest kiln dried Ponderosa Pine. We pride ourselves on our high quality and workmanship. Each piece is graded and sorted at several different stages to ensure that you receive the finest quality.

The houses manufactured by Dura-Craft are not modeled after any specific existing houses. Rather they are composites of several different houses, to give you what we feel is a true and accurate representation of the houses of

their style and era.

A Dura-Craft miniature house is a **complete** kit. This means that you do not have to purchase separately items such as siding, window glass, and split cedar shakes, which are a basic part of a house. Your finished house will be ready for painting, wallpapering, and decorating. Dura-Craft does not sell the materials for decorating; however, they should be available through the store where you bought your kit.

Your finished house will be of heirloom quality, of which you will be justly proud, if ample time and care are used in its construction and finishing.

GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS

There are several construction tips that will help you avoid some problems when you build your miniature house.

An important thing to keep in mind about the kit parts: First, they are made of wood. Wood shrinks and expands according to the humidity. We have found that the siding is most sensitive to dimension changes due to humidity. All siding used in Dura-Craft miniature houses is made from the finest kiln dried Ponderosa Pine. However, as a result of changes in siding dimensions brought on by humidity changes, when a wall is assembled with a water base glue, some swelling will occur. Wall panels should be left in a warm dry room at least 48 hours before corner posts are attached. This will prevent walls from cracking. At no time should the house be placed in a cold damp area.

If there is a minor cracking problem, there is a simple solution. A thick bead of white glue should be run into the gap. Wipe off any excess glue and allow to dry. If necessary, repeat this step until the gap is filled. When the house is painted, there will be no evidence of the gap. We recommend a good quality **OIL** base paint be applied on any siding to be painted.

Your Dura-Craft miniature house has been designed so

that you can assemble it with a minimum of difficulty. Some steps require that careful attention be paid to using the correct part.

The kit has been packaged in a way that should assure that all parts are present. The major parts such as siding are easily identified. Other parts will be identified as you go along checking the parts.

There are several steps that must be followed to make the assembly of your house easier. The first is to read through the instructions carefully to get a feeling for the assembly process. Next, using the parts list and parts drawings, check the parts and group them according to the categories used on the parts list. As you do this, you will become familiar with the parts. Also, if any parts are missing or damaged, they can be replaced by Dura-Craft quickly, so that your assembly process will not be held up. Please refer to the missing parts and broken parts order form.

Wall panels do not come assembled in the kit. Follow instructions to assemble wall panels.

NOTE:

For shortages or broken parts write directly to Dura-Craft, Inc. for replacement, using the form on the last page of this manual.

SUBASSEMBLY NO. 1 WALL PANELS

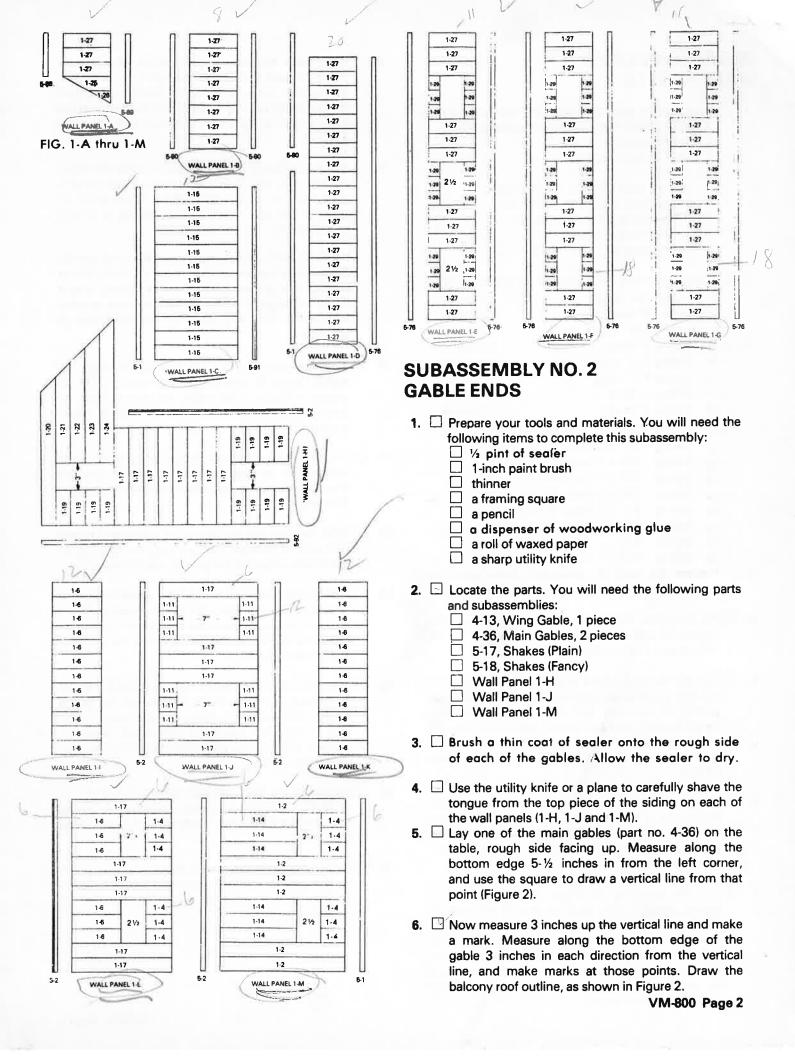
1.	 □ Prepare your tools and materials. You will need the following items to complete this subassembly: □ framing square □ ruler or tape measure □ pencil □ several large books to use as weights □ a dispenser of woodworking glue □ 100 grade (medium) sandpaper □ a roll of waxed paper □ masking tape 	9.	in Figure 1. Make sure that all parts are arranged in the correct sequence relative to the pencil marks for the door and window openings (refer to steps 4 and 5). Make sure that all joints are tight, and that the edges of the walls are square and flush. Place weights on the panels as you finish them. Allow about an hour for the glue to set before moving or adding to the panels. IMPORTANT: If you must leave the wall panels
2	☐ Locate the parts. You will need the following parts:		incomplete for more than two or three hours
10			during this phase of the construction, stand
	1-2 Siding, 14" long 6 piece 1-4 Siding 3" long 12 pieces		them on edge to allow air to circulate around
1	1-6 Siding 5 1/2" long 30 pieces		both sides. This will minimize the likelihood of
	1-11 Siding 2" long 12 pieces		warping.
	1-14 Siding 8½" long 6 pieces	10	☐ Add the second story section (up through the
	1-15 Siding 9¼" long 12 pieces	10.	twelfth layer) to wall panels 1-C through 1-M, as
	1-17 Siding(1" long 20 pieces		shown in Figure 1. As before, be sure all parts are
	1-19 Siding 4" long 12 pieces		arranged in the correct sequence, with all edges
	1-20 Siding 161 8" - long, 45° cut-right		square.
	1-21 Siding 1011 le long, 45° cut-right		
	1-22 Siding 123/8" ~long, 45° cut-right	11.	Be sure all the joints are tight, then carefully place
	1-23 Siding 1315 16" long 45° cut-right		weights on the wall assemblies. Allow about an hour for the glue to set before moving or adding to
	1-24 Siding 155.8 long, 45° cut-right		the panels.
	1-25 Siding 51/4 long, 30° cut left 1-26 Siding 21/2" long, 30° cut-left		
	. 20	12.	☐ After the glue has set, stand the completed panels
	1-27 Siding 5¼" long 1-29 Siding 13/8" long		(1-C and 1-I through 1-M) on edge to allow air to
3.	Prepare the parts for assembly. Finish sand the		reach both sides. Let the glue dry for 24 hours.
•	wood surfaces to remove splinters and rough spots.	12	Add the third stammer to be to be a second to be a
		13.	Add the third story section (all the remaining layers) to wall panels 1-D through 1-H, as shown in Figure
4.	Pre-assemble the siding without glue. Lay the pieces flat side down, as shown in Figures 1A-1M. The tongue is on the top edge of each board.		Again be sure all parts are arranged in the correct sequence relative to the pencil marks for the door and window openings.
5 .	Use the framing square to ensure that the ends of	14.	☐ Make sure that all joints are tight, and that the edges
	the siding pieces are properly aligned. Measure the		are square and flush. Place weights on the panels
	widths of the door and window openings very		as you complete them. Allow about an hour for the
	carefully and make light pencil marks at the top and		glue to set, then stand the completed panels on
	bottom of each opening. The proper widths of the door and window openings are given in Figures		edge to allow air to reach both sides. Let the glue
	1A-1M.		dry for 24 hours.
		15	Assemble the last two wall panels, 1-A and 1-B,
6.	Prepare an area for gluing. You will need a hard,		as shown in Figure 1. Check the edges to ensure
	flat surface at least three by four feet in size. Select		that they are square and flush. Be sure all the joints
	a location where the wall panels will not have to be		are tight.
	disturbed for several hours after gluing. Tape waxed	r.	
	paper over the entire surface.	16.	Place weights on the assemblies and allow an hour
7.	Use the following technique for gluing the wall		for the glue to set, then stand the panels on edge
	panels: Apply a thin bead of glue to the tongue.		to allow air to reach both sides. Let the glue dry
	Then seat it in the groove. Immediately wipe off		for 24 hours.
	any surplus glue that squeezes out, using a damp		
	 but not wet — cloth. Assemble the panels flat 		
	side down on the waxed paper. The panels should		

be assembled in sections that can be handled

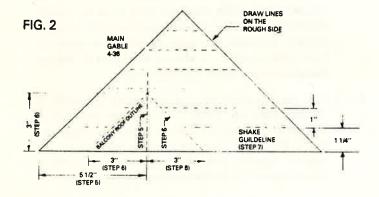
easily, as outlined below.

8. \square Begin with the ground floor section (the first six

layers) of wall panels 1-C through 1-M, as shown



- 7. Measure 1-¼ inches up from the bottom of the gable end and draw a line parallel with the bottom edge (Figure 2). Now draw lines at one inch intervals the rest of the way up the gable.
- 8. Lay the other main gable (part no. 4-36) and the wing gable (part no. 4-13) on the table, rough side facing up. Draw the shake guidelines on them exactly as described in Step 7.
- 9. Spread out waxed paper on a flat surface. Apply glue to the top edge of wall panel 1-H, then lay it face-up on the waxed paper. Lay the gable with the balcony roof outline in position on top of the wall panel. Allow the glue to set before proceeding with step 12.
- 10. Apply glue to the top edge of wall panel 1-M, then lay it face-up on the waxed paper. Lay the other main gable (part no. 4-36) in position on top of the wall panel. Be sure the gable overhangs equally on each side of the wall panel, as shown in Figure 3. Allow the glue to set
- 11. Glue the wing gable (part no. 4-13) in position on wall panel 1-J using the method described in step 10. Allow the glue to set before proceeding.
- 12. Using the first horizontal line as a guide, glue a row of plain shakes (part no. 5-17) over the joints between the gable ends and the wall panels, as shown in Figure 4. Apply glue heavily under these shakes. Do not lay any shakes inside the balcony roof outline. Allow the glue to dry before proceeding.



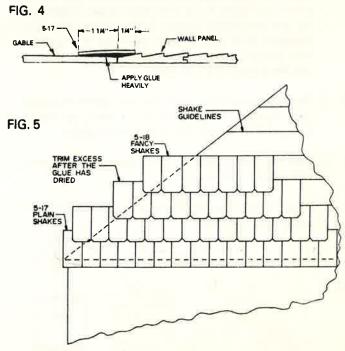
GABLE 4-36

GABLE FITS
FLUSH ON
BOTH SIDES

GABLE
4-13

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- 13. Glue the fancy shakes (part no. 5-18) onto the gable ends in the overlapping pattern shown in Figure 5. Use the utility knife to individually cut the shakes to fit around the balcony roof outline. Let the shakes hang over the edges of the gables until the glue has dried.
- 14. After the glue has thoroughly dried, turn the wall panel face-down, and use the utility knife to trim the shakes flush with the gable ends. Start at the lower corners and cut toward the peak of the roof to minimize the chances of splitting the shakes.



SUBASSEMBLY NO. 3 FLOOR SUPPORTS AND GABLE END SUPPORTS

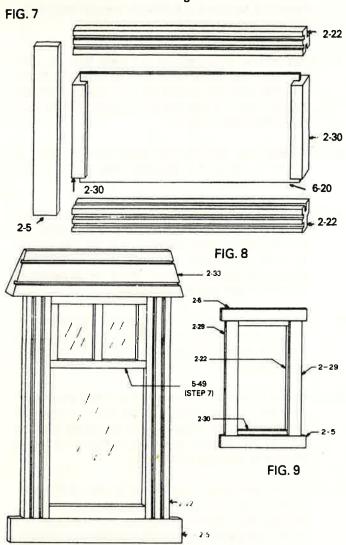
1.1	Prepare your tools and materials. You will need this following items to complete this subassembly: or dispenser of woodworking glue a utility knife or coping saw a yardstick a pencil 100 grade (medium) sandpaper
2.	 □ Locate the parts. You will need the following parts and subassemblies: □ 5-46, Floor Support, 8 pieces □ 5-47, Main Gable Support, 3 pieces □ 5-63, Wing Gable Support, 2 pieces □ 5-75, Front Gable Support, 1 piece □ Wall Panels 1-C through 1-M
3.	Lay the wall panels face down. Measure exactly 9-5/8 inches up from the bottom, and draw a pencil

line across each panel at that point. Draw another

line 19-3/8 inches up from the bottom.

Trim wandows of 1	norder
4. Cut the floor support stock (part no. 5-46) into pieces of the following lengths: 2 pieces 13-½ inches long for wall panel 1-M 6 pieces 10-½ inches long for wall panels 1-H, 1-J & 1-L 2 pieces 8-¾ inches long for wall panel 1-C 4 pieces 5 inches long for wall panels 1-I & 1-K 8 pieces 4-¾ inches long for wall panels 1-D, 1-E, 1-F & 1-G It is critical that these pieces be no longer than specified, or they may interfere with the installation of the corner posts later in the assembly.	□ a utility knife □ 100 grade (medium) sandpaper □ pencil □ ruler or tape measure □ waxed paper 2. □ Locate the parts. You will be using the following parts and subassemblies: □ 6-20, Plastic Sheets, 13 pieces □ 2-5, Top and Bottom Window Casings, 39 pieces □ 2-22, Window Side Casings, 26 pieces 3 □ 2-29, Inside Window Trim, 26 pieces
 5. Glue the floor supports onto the wall panels, as shown in Figure 6, so that their upper edges are on the previously drawn lines. Center the floor supports from side to side, so there is a quarter-inch space between the end of the floor support and the edge of the wall panel. 6. On wall panel 1-H, glue the two gable supports (part numbers 5-47 and 5-75) in place as shown in Figure 6 flush with the added of the publica. 	2-30, Top & Bottom Window Frames, 26 pieces 2-33 Window Caps, 13 pieces 5-49, Window Divider Stock Wall Panels 1-E, 1-F, 1-G, 1-L and 1-M 3. Using the model airplane cement, glue the top and bottom window frames (part no. 2-30) to the top and bottom edges of the windows. Be sure the window is fully seated in the groove and centered
 in Figure 6, flush with the edges of the gables. 7. ☐ Glue the wing gable supports (part no. 5-63) onto wall panel 1-J (Figure 6). 8. ☐ Glue the gable supports (part no. 5-47 onto wall panel 1-M (Figure 6). 	from side to side, as shown in Figure 7. 4. Using model airplane cement, glue the window side casings (part no. 2-22) to the sides of the windows. Make sure that the side casings contact the top and bottom frames at all four corners. Lay the assembly face-down while the glue dries. 5. After the glue from the preceding steps has dried,
FIG. 6 IMPORTANT IN INCH ON ALL PANELS 5-46 19 3/4" 9 5/8" WALL PANEL 1-H WALL PANEL 1-H	check the corners to make sure the side casings are flush with the top and bottom frames. Sand them, if necessary, to make them flush. 6. Arrange the window assemblies face-down on waxed paper. Use woodworking glue to attach the bottom window casing (part no. 2-5) to each window assembly. Be sure the casing is centered from side to side, as shown in Figure 8. Allow the glue to dry before proceeding. 7. Turn the windows face-up and install the window
WALL PANEL 1-C 11-D 11-E 1-F 1-G1 5-46 5-7 19 3/8" 1-5-46 65" 1-5-46 10 1/2" 1-5-46 10 1/	 7. Turn the windows face-up and install the window dividers (part no. 5-49). They may be installed in any pattern to create whatever style of window you desire (Figure 8). Cut the window dividers to the required lengths, and glue them to the outside of the windows with model airplane cement. 8. Lay the five wall panels face-up on the table. Apply woodworking glue to the backs of the side and bottom casings, then install the window assemblies in the wall panels. Make sure they are positioned squarely in the openings. Allow the glue to dry before moving the wall panels.
SUBASSEMBLY NO. 4 STANDARD WINDOWS 1. Prepare your tools and materials. You will need the following items to complete this subassembly: a dispenser of wood-working glue a tube of model airplane cement	9. After the glue has dried, turn the wall panels over. Glue the inside window trim (part no. 2-29) in place as shown in Figure 9. It should be flush with the window side casings (part no. 2-22) and should cover the gap between the casing and the wall panel.

- 10. After the glue on the trim pieces has set, install the top and bottom window casings (part no. 2-5) as shown in Figure 9. The ends should overhang evenly left and right.
- 11. When the glue on the inside window trim and casings is dry, turn the wall panels face-up and glue the window caps (part no. 2-33) in place over the windows as shown in Figure 8.



SUBASSEMBLY NO. 5 BAY WINDOWS	-
1. Prepare your tools and materials. In following items to complete this su a dispenser of woodworking a tube of model airplane cement a utility knife masking tape ruler or tape measure	bassembly: glue
 2. Locate the parts. You will be usi parts and subassemblies: 6-21, Plastic Sheets, 6-22, Plastic Sheets, 2-29, Inside Window Trim, 	ng the following 2 pieces 4 pieces 4 pieces

	2-34, Bay Window Bottom,	2 pieces
	2-35, Bay Window Top,	2 pieces
	2-36, Bay Window Side Casing	g, 4 pieces
	2-37, Bay Window Front Casin	g, 4 pieces
	5-49, Window Divider Stock	
	2-32, Bay Window Top & Bo	ttom Inside Trim,
	4 pieces	
	☐ Wall Panel 1-J	
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3.	Using the model airplane cemer	nt glue the bay
•	window front casings (part no. 2-	
	of the large window pane (Figure	
	ends of the casings are flush w	
	the plastic.	and deget ar
4.	☐ Using the model airplane cement,	glue the smaller
•	window panes into the bay window	
	Be sure the tops and bottoms of the	
	are flush with the ends of the casing	
		9 0.
5.	☐ Making sure they are properly or	riented, with the
	grooved side facing out, install to	
	side casings (part no. 2-36) on the s	
	10). Use model airplane cement,	
	ends are flush with the panes.	
6.	☐ Lay the wall panel subassembly	face-up on the
•	table. Apply white woodworking	
	window side casings, then inst	
	assemblies in the wall panel. Mal	
	positioned squarely in the open	
	glue to dry before proceeding.	ings. Allow the
	grad to any borone proceeding.	
7.	☐ Apply glue to the bottom ends of	the bay window
	casings and to the back edge of	
	bottom (part no. 2-34). Position 1	
	bottom under the window assem	
	wall panel and centered from side	
	10). Tape the part in place until the	
8.	☐ Apply glue to the top ends of t	he bay window
	casings and to the back edge of the	
	(part no. 2-35). Position the bay v	
	the window assembly, against the	
	centered from side to side. Tape	it in place until
	the glue dries.	
9.	☐ Cut pieces of window divider stoo	k (part no. 5-49)
	to fit at the top and bottom of each	
	window, as shown in Figure 10. Gl	
	with model airplane cement at the	
	of each pane, inside and outside.	1
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10.	☐ When the glue from Step 9 is dry, I	ay the wall panel
	face down and install the inside w	
	no. 2-29) on each side of the bay wi	
	be flush with the window side casin	
	and should cover the joint between	
	the wall panel.	5

11.
After the glue from Step 10 has set, install the top

and bottom trim (part no. 5-69). The ends should

extend slightly past the side trim, by an equal 5. Apply glue to the ends of the bannister posts (part amount on each side. no. 6-2) and install them in the bannisters, as shown in Figure 12. Line up the posts with the pencil 12.

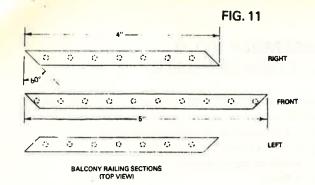
Turn the wall panel face-up and install the remainmarks. Be sure the ends of the assemblies are ing window dividers (part no. 5-49). They may be square! Allow plenty of time for the glue to dry installed in any pattern to create whatever style of before moving the assemblies. window you desire (Figure 10). Cut the window dividers to the required lengths, and glue them to 6. Glue the balcony support (part no. 5-82) onto the the outside of the windows with model airplane bottom of the balcony (part no. 5-81) as shown in cement. Figure 13. Be sure it is flush with the rear edge of the 2-35 (STEP 8) balcony, and centered from side to side. FIG. 10 7. Lay out the three balcony roof parts (part no. 3-20) and draw the shake guidelines, as shown in Figure 14. The first line should be 1-1/4 inches from the bottom, and the rest are 1 inch apart. All are para-2-36 (STEP 5) llel to the bottom edge. 8. Arrange the balcony roof parts side by side, as shown in Figure 14. Securely tape the joints between the parts. 9. Turn the taped balcony roof assembly face down, and apply glue to the troughs formed where the 6-22 beveled edges come together. Lift the side pieces, to close the troughs and bring the roof assembly into its final shape. Tape or block the assembly to hold the shape until the glue dries. 2-34 (STEP 7) 10. \square Check the ends of the bannister assemblies to ensure that the top and bottom rails are square SUBASSEMBLY NO. 6 with one another. Square them up with sandpaper, if necessary. **BALCONY AND BALCONY ROOF** 11. Glue the bannister assemblies in place around the 1. Prepare your tools and materials. You will need the perimeter of the balcony. Tape them in place as following items to complete this subassembly: required. The rear edges should be square with the a dispenser of woodworking glue back of the balcony, as shown in Figure 13. Allow masking tape the glue to thoroughly dry. a utility knife a ruler 12. \square Lay the wall panel (1-H) face-up on the table. Apply □ a pencil a heavy bead of glue to the rear edges of the a coping saw balcony roof assembly, then position the assembly a small square on the wall panel in the location prepared when you installed the gable shakes. 2. \square Locate the parts. You will be using the following parts and subassemblies: 13. With the wall panel still lying on the table, make a 3-20, Balcony Roof, 3 pieces pencil mark at the bottom of the balcony door open-5-18, Shakes (Fancy) ing to show the exact center of the doorway. Make a 5-70, Bannister Stock similar mark at the back of the balcony assembly 5-81, Balcony, 1 piece to show its centerline. ☐ 5-82, Balcony Support 6-2, Bannister Post, 24 pieces 14.
Apply a heavy coat of glue to the rear edges of the ■ Wall Panel 1-H balcony, balcony support, and bannisters. Position the balcony assembly at the bottom of the door 3. Cut two 5-inch pieces of bannister stock (part no. opening, with the center marks lined up with one 5-70) and four 4-inch pieces, all with 60° angled another. Allow the glue to dry. ends, as shown in Figure 11. 15. Install fancy shakes (part no. 5-18) on the balcony 4. Lay out the cut bannister pieces. Make pencil marks roof, starting at the bottom edge and working

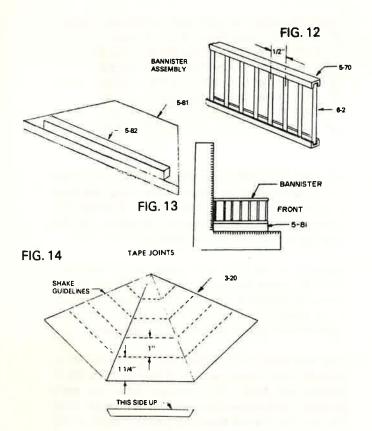
every half inch, next to the groove. These mark

the locations for the bannister posts, as shown in

Figure 11.

toward the top. Cut the shakes to fit the corners.





SUBASSEMBLY NO. 7 STAIRWAYS AND RAILINGS

Prepare your tools and materials. You will need the following items to complete this subassembly:

 a dispenser of woodworking glue
 a roll of waxed paper
 a ruler
 a pencil

 Locate the parts. You will need the following parts:

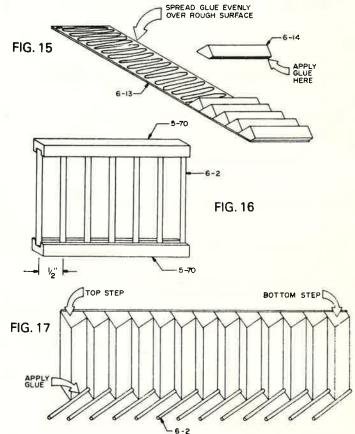
 5-70, Bannister Stock
 6-2, Bannister Posts, 61 pieces
 6-13, Stairway Base, 2 pieces
 6-14, Steps, 26 pieces

 Lay the stairway base (part no. 6-13) rough side up, and spread glue evenly over the entire surface.

4. Position the bottom step (part no. 6-14) so the angle-cut side seats in the glue at one end of the

stairway base, as shown in Figure 15.

- 5. Apply glue to the bottom (the smallest side) of the next step, as shown in Figure 15, then lay it in place. It should be in full contact with the stairway base and the bottom step.
- 6. Install the remaining steps in succession, following the same procedure, spacing them evenly to fill the full length of the stairway base. Be sure all the edges are flush. Allow the glue to set.
- 7. Cut ten 3-½ inch pieces of bannister stock (part no. 5-70). Lay them out and make pencil marks every half inch, next to the grooves. These mark the locations for the bannister posts.
- 8. Apply glue to the ends of the bannister posts (part no. 6-2) and install them in the bannisters, as shown in Figure 16, to make five assemblies. Line up the posts with the pencil marks. Be sure the ends of the assemblies are square!
- **9.** \square Stand the stairway assembly on edge on a sheet of waxed paper, as shown in Figure 17.
- 10. Apply glue to the lower half-inch of the bannister posts, and lay them in position against the steps. Refer to Figure 17.
- 11. Cut two 12 inch pieces of bannister stock (part no. 5-70). After the glue from Step 10 has dried, lift the assembly off the waxed paper. Apply a dab of glue to the end of each post, then install the bannister piece. Its lower end should be flush with the bottom post, and the upper end should overhang about an inch.



SUBASSEMBLY NO. 8 HOUSE BASE

- 1. Prepare your tools and materials. You will need the following items to complete this subassembly: a dispeenser of woodworking glue a roll of waxed paper ☐ masking tape 2.

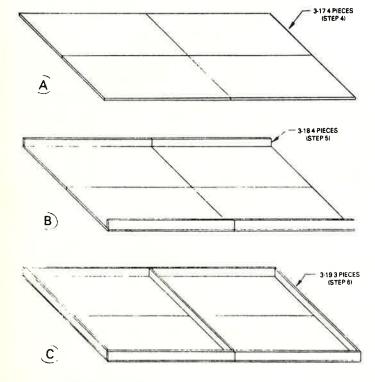
 Locate the parts. You will need the following parts: ☐ 3-17, Base 12-1/2" x 26", 4 pieces ☐ 3-18 Foundation strip 1¾" X 26" 4 pieces ☐ 3-19, Foundation strip 1¾" X 24¼" 3 pieces 3. Prepare an area for gluing. You will need a hard, flat surface at least 25 by 52 inches in size. Select a location where the assembly will not have to be disturbed for twelve hours after gluing. Tape waxed paper over the entire surface. 4.
 Glue the four base pieces (part no. 3-17) together,
- 5. After the glue from Step 4 has set, glue the Foundation pieces (part no. 3-18) in place, as shown in Figure 18. Tape them in position, if necessary.

as shown in Figure 18. Apply the glue heavily to the mating surfaces, then press them together

6. When the glue from Step 5 has set, glue the Foundation strip (part no. 3-19) in place as shown in Figure 18.

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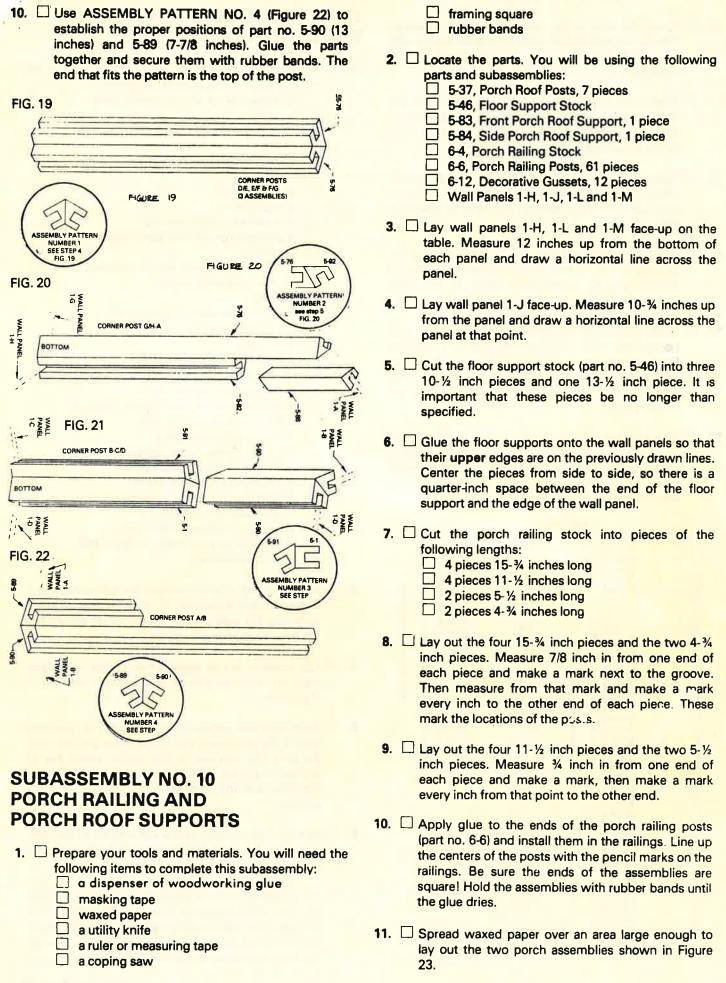


SUBASSEMBLY NO. 9 TOWER CORNER POSTS

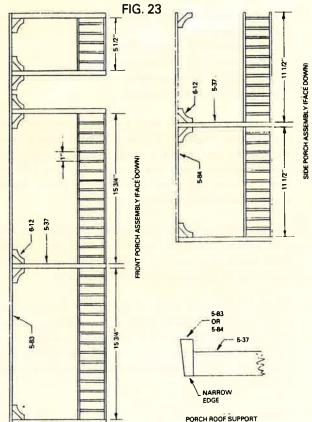
I	WER CORNER POSTS
1.	 □ Prepare your tools and materials. You will need the following items to complete this subassembly: □ a dispenser of woodworking glue □ 2 dozen small rubber bands □ a ruler or tape measure □ a pencil
2.	Locate the parts. You will need the following parts: 5-1, Rear Corner Post, 19-½", 1 piece 5-76, Tower Corner Post, 32-½", 7 pieces 5-88, Tower Corner Post, 4-7/8", 1 piece 5-89, Tower Corner Post, 7-7/8", 1 piece 5-90, Tower Corner Post, 13", 3 pieces 5-91, Tower Corner Post, 19-½", 1 piece 5-92, Tower Corner Post, 27-5/8", 1 piece
3.	HOW TO USE THE ASSEMBLY PATTERNS: To aid you in assembling the tower corner posts, we have provided patterns to use with Figures 19 through 22. Stand the corner post parts on the pattern, so the drawing exactly outlines the post assembly.
4.	☐ Using six of the 32-½ inch corner post pieces (part no. 5-76), assemble corner posts D/E, E/F and F/G, as shown in Figure 19. Use ASSEMBLY PATTERN NO. 1 to confirm proper assembly. Hold the parts together with rubber bands until the glue dries.
5.	Use ASSEMBLY PATTERN NO. 2 (Figure 20) to establish the proper positions of part no. 5-76 (32-½ inches) and 5-92 (27 % inches). Glue the parts together, and secure them with rubber bands. Mark the end that fits the assembly pattern "Bottom" for future reference.
6.	☐ Glue the 4-7/8 inch corner post piece (part no. 5-88) in position at the top of corner post G/H-A, as shown in Figure 20. use ASSEMBLY PATTERN NO. 1 to verify that the parts are properly fitted.
7.	Use ASSEMBLY PATTERN NO. 3 (Figure 21) to establish the proper positions of part no. 5-1 (rear corner post) and 5-91 (19-½ inches). Glue the parts together, and secure them with rubber bands. Mark the end that fits the assembly pattern "Bottom" for future reference.
8.	☐ Glue two of the 13 inch pieces (part no. 5-90) together to form the top half of corner post B-C/D (Figure 21). Use ASSEMBLY PATTERN NO. 1 to verify that the parts are properly fitted.
9.	☐ Glue the part assembled in Step 8 to the top of the

part assembled in Step 7, as shown in Figure 21. The groove in part no. 5-1 must be exactly aligned with the groove in part no. 5-90. Clean excess glue

from the groove.



12. Check the ends of the railing assemblies to ensure that the top and bottom rails are exactly square with one another. Square them up with sandpaper, if necessary. 13. Apply glue to the ends of the two 15-\(^4\) inch railings, then lay them on the waxed paper and position three porch roof posts (part no. 5-37) against them as shown in Figure 23. 14. Apply glue to the ends of the 5-1/2 inch section of railing, then lay it on the waxed paper and position a post (part no. 5-37) against each end as shown in Figure 23. 15. Using the same procedure as in Steps 13 and 14, glue the two 11-1/2 inch sections of railing to the two remaining posts, as shown in Figure 23. Allow the glue to dry before proceeding with Step 16. **16.** Apply glue to the tops of the porch roof posts, then position the porch roof supports (part no's. 5-83 and 5-84) as shown in Figure 23. The narrow edge should be at the bottom, as shown in the detail drawing, with the assemblies face down on the waxed paper. 17. Glue the decorative gussets (part no. 6-12) in place as shown in Figure 23. Allow the glue to thoroughly dry before lifting the assemblies from the waxed paper. Handle these assemblies very carefully until they are installed on the house.



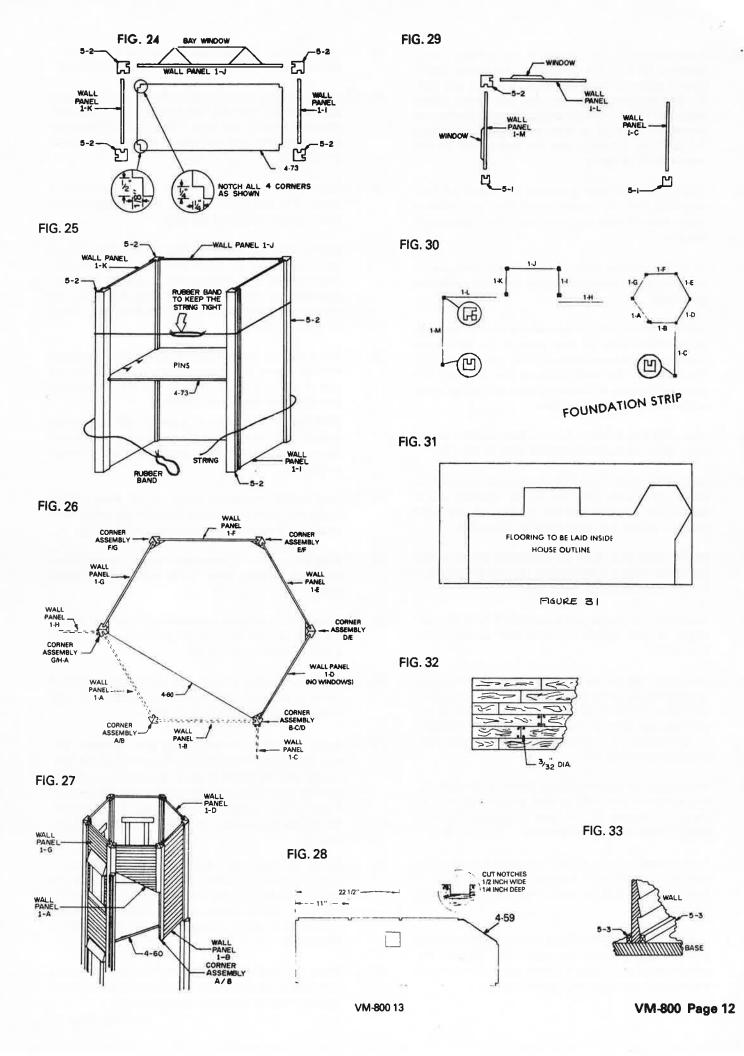
FINAL ASSEMBLY PART 1 WALLS, FLOORS AND BASE

1.	☐ Prepare your tools and materials. You will need the following items to complete this phase:
	a dispenser of woodworking glue
	☐ a pencil☐ "T" pinc or etroight pinc
	☐ "T" pins or straight pins☐ string
	acueral large rubber bands
	a framing square
	masking tape
	☐ a coping saw
	a framing square masking tape a coping saw one pint of contact cement a one-inch natural fiber paint brush scissors
	scissors
	a 3/32-inch diameter nail set (optional)
	☐ ½ pint of sanding sealer
	thinner
	polyurethane varnish (satin finish)
	100 grade (medium) sandpaper
	□ steel wool
2.	☐ Locate the parts. You will need the following parts
	and completed subassemblies:
	4-59, Second and Third Floors, 2 pieces
	4-60, Tower Floors, 2 pieces
	4-73, Wing Floor, 1 piece
	 ☐ 5-1, Rear Corner Posts, 2 pieces ☐ 5-2, Front Corner Posts, 5 pieces
	5-2, Front Comer Posts, 5 pieces 5-3, Universal Molding Stock
	5-77, Floor Rear Trim, 2 pieces
	 6-19, Hardwood Flooring Kit
	Wall Panel Subassemblies (all)
	Tower Corner Post Subassemblies (all)
	☐ Base Subassembly
3.	☐ Check through the instructions for subassemblies 1
	through 6 and 8 through 10, to verify that all steps
	involving the wall panels, tower corner posts, and
	the base have been completed.
4	☐ Cut notches out of each corner of the wing floor
₹.	(part no. 4-73) as shown in the detail drawing in
	Figure 24.
5.	☐ Assemble wall panels 1-I, 1-J and 1-K by applying
	glue to the grooves in the corner posts (part no. 5-2). Be sure the grooves in the corner posts are all
	pointed the right direction, as shown in Figure 24.
	Carefully seat the wall panels all the way into the
	grooves.
6.	Apply a bead of glue to the top surface of the floor
	supports. Lay the floor (part no. 4-73) in place, smooth side up, and press it gently into the glue.
	amount side up, and press it gently into the gide.
7.	☐ Tie strings around the assembly as shown in Figure
	25. Use rubber bands to keep the string tight. This
	will keep the walls pulled in against the floor piece.

Stick pins into the wall panels at floor level to wedge

the floor down against the floor supports.

8.	Assemble tower wall panels 1-D, 1-E, 1-F and 1-G by applying glue to the grooves in the tower corner	19. Glue the floor rear trim pieces (part no. 5-77) in place across the rear edges of the second and third floors.
	post subassemblies (B-C/D, D/E, E/F, F/G and G/H-A). Be absolutely certain that the 3-way corner posts (B-C/D and G/H-A) are positioned correctly, as shown in Figure 26, so they will engage wall panels 1-C and 1-H. Carefully seat the wall panels all the way into the grooves.	20. When the glue is dry, position the house on the base subassembly, with the rear corner posts flush with the back edge of the base. The corner of the tower should be flush with one side of the base, as shown in Figure 31.
9.	. Apply a bead of glue to the top surface of the floor supports. Lay the tower floors (part no. 4-60) in place, smooth side up, and press them gently into the glue.	21. Mark the location of the house on the base with a pencil line around the inside and outside of the walls. Lift the house off the base.
10.	. As in Step 7, use string, rubber bands, and pins to hold the tower assembly tightly together while the glue dries.	NOTE: The hardwood flooring kit contains enough hardwood strips to cover one floor of the house. This material may alternatively be applied to doors, stairways, or used as wall paneling. If you do not plan to apply the hardwood to the floor, skip Steps
11.	Assemble the tower partial wall panels (1-A and 1-B) by applying glue to the grooves in the tower	22 through 26.
	corner post subassemblies (G/H-A, A/B and B-C/D). Carefully seat the wall panels all the way into the grooves. Be sure all the wall panels and corner posts are flush at the top and bottom.	22. Brush contact cement on the base inside the pencil line that marks the location of the walls, and on one side of the hardwood strips. Follow the instructions provided with the contact cement.
	Use a string and rubber band to hold panels 1-A and 1-B in place while the glue dries (refer to Step 7).	WARNING: Contact cement is extremely volatile and flammable. The working area must be well ventilated. Keep well away from flame or sparks!
13.	Cut notches in the two floor panels (part no. 4-59) as shown in Figure 28. The corner notches are a quarter-inch square; and the notches on the front edges a quarter-inch deep by a half-inch wide.	23. Start laying hardwood strips at the front of the house and work toward the rear. Cut the strips with scissors. Offset the joints as shown in Figure 32.
	NOTE : The glue from all preceding steps in this sequence must be thoroughly dry before proceeding. Remove all strings, pins, etc.	24. After the hardwood strips are in place, burnish them down by rubbing them firmly with a small wood block.
14.	Install the rear corner posts (part no. 5-1) on the rear edges of wall panels 1-C and 1-M, as shown in Figure 29.	25. To achieve a pegged appearance, if desired, punch the ends of each strip, as shown in Figure 32, using a 3/32-inch diameter nail set.
15.	Assemble wall panels 1-L and 1-M by applying glue to the grooves in the front corner post (part no. 5-2), as shown in Figure 29. Seat the wall panels all the way into the grooves, then tape the corner together	26. Sand the flooring smooth and remove any traces of contact cement that would interfere with the positioning of the house on the base.
	on the outside of the house. Before the glue sets, proceed with Step 16.	27. Apply a bead of woodworking glue between the two line drawn in Step 21. Carefully place the
16.	Apply glue to the remaining corner post grooves, and assemble the walls in their proper positions as shown in Figure 30. Be sure all panels are fully seated in the corner post grooves.	house into the bead of glue. Be careful to avoid getting any glue on the unfinished hardwood flooring! Lay weights on the upper floor to hold the house in position. Proceed immediately with Step 28.
	Apply a bead of glue to the top surface of the floor supports. Lay the main floor panels (part no. 4-59) in place, smooth side up, and press them gently into the glue.	28. Before the glue from Step 27 dries, cut pieces of universal molding (part no. 5-3) to fit around the base of the walls on the inside and the outside of the house. At the doorways, cut the molding a quarter-inch short to allow clearance for the door casings
١٥.	Use string, rubber bands, and pins to hold the house together tightly while the glue dries. Review the	(Figure 33).
	procedure given in Step 7. Check carefully to ensure that all joints are tight and corners square.	29. When the glue is dry, finish the hardwood flooring with two or three coats of satin sheen polyurethane varnish. Steel wool lightly between coats.



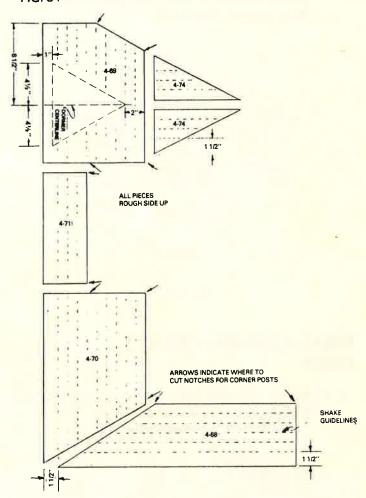
FINAL ASSEMBLY PART 2 PORCH AND PORCH ROOF

	Prepare your tools and materials. You will following items to complete this phase: a dispenser of woodworking glue a small square masking tape a pencil a yardstick a sharp utility knife	
2.	 Locate the parts. You will need the follow and completed subassemblies: 	ing parts
	4-68, Porch Roof, Side,	1 piece
	4-69, Porch Roof, Front Left,	1 piece
	4-70, Porch Roof, Front Right,	1 piece∷
	4-71, Porch Roof, Front Center,	1 piece.
	4-74, Porch Dormer Roof,	2 pieces
	5-17, Shakes, (Plain) 5-93. Porch Dormer Front,	
	6-4, Porch Railing Stock	1 piece
	6-6, Porch Railing Posts,	4 pieces
	6-7, Porch Step, Lower	- pieces
	Geven Grant	
	Porch Railing Subassembly, Front	
	 Porch Railing Subassembly, Side Porch Railing Subassembly, Left End 	
	Forch halling Subassembly, Left End	
3.	Review the instructions for subassembly no verify that all steps have been completed.	o. 10 and
4.	Lay the porch roof front left panel (part no. the table, rough side up. Measure 8-1/2 i from the left edge, and draw the dormer of as shown in Figure 34, perpendicular to edge.	nches in enterline
5.	Measure one inch in from the front edg panel and draw a line to mark the front of t dormer.	
6.	Measure along the dormer centerline 2 include the rear edge of the panel and make	a mark.
	Measure along the dormer front line 4-% each way from the centerline and make	marks.
	Draw lines between the marks to comp dormer outline, as shown in Figure 34.	lete the
7.	☐ Lay out all the porch roof panels (part no's.	4-68 4-
• •	69, 4-70, 4-71 & 4-74) as shown in Figure 3	4. rough
	side up. Carefully measure and draw guide	
	applying the shakes. The first line goes 1-1	
	in from the edge, and the rest are 1 inch apa	rt.
B .	☐ Apply glue to the bottom surface of the porc	h railing
	front subassembly, then position it on the	
	flush with the front of the base and all the wa	ay to the
	right side. The opening should be lined up	with the
	doorway.	
9.	☐ Apply glue to the bottom surface of the porc	h railing

side subassembly and to the ends where it joins with the front railing. Position the subassembly on the base, flush with the right-hand edge. Tape the two railing subassemblies together at the right front corner.

- 10. Apply glue to the bottom and ends of the left end railing subassembly, and fit it in place between the tower corner and the front railing. Tape it securely in place.
- 11. Use the square to make sure that all three railing subassemblies are standing vertically. Allow the glue to dry before proceeding with Step 12.
- 12. Trial-fit the porch roof panels in place on the porch railings and roof supports. You will have to cut notches to fit the panels around the corner posts, as indicated in Figure 34.

FIG. 34



- 13. When proper fit is assured, apply glue to the porch roof supports, and install the porch roof panels.
- 14. Glue the porch dormer front (part no. 5-93) in place so that its front edge is on the line drawn in Step 5.
- **15.** ☐ Glue the porch dormer roof panels (part no. 4-74) in place, aligning the edges with the lines drawn in Step 6.

 16. After the glue dries, apply shakes (part no. 5-17) over the entire porch roof. Start at the outer edge of the structure and work upward, toward the house walls. Align the top edge of each course of shakes with the guidelines drawn in Step 7. At the front right corner of the porch and along the sides of the dormer, cut the shakes at an angle to match the joints. 17. Slip a sheet of waxed paper under the base, directly in front of the doorway. Glue the porch steps (part no's. 6-7 & 6-8) against the front edge of the base, centered in front of the doorway, As shown in Figure 35. 18. Cut two 3-¼ inch lengths of porch railing stock (part no. 6-4) with the ends angled at 60°, as shown in Figure 35. 19. Glue the four posts (part no. 6-6) in place on the corners of the porch steps, then glue the railings on top of the posts (Figure 35). 	□ 4-67, Wing Roof, Right, □ piece □ 4-75, Filler Piece, □ piece □ 4-76, Filler Piece, □ piece □ 5-17, Shakes (Plain) □ 5-18, Shakes (Fancy) □ 5-19, Universal Shake Trim Stock □ 5-79, Ridge Cap, 16 inch, □ piece □ 5-80, Ridge Cap, 5-¾ inch, □ piece □ 5-85, Ridge Cap, 20-¼ inch, □ piece □ 5-86, Fillet Molding, 13-3/8 inch, □ piece □ 5-87, Fillet Molding, 9-¼ inch, □ piece □ 5-94, Finial, □ piece □ 5-87, Fillet Molding, 9-¼ inch, □ piece □ 5-87, Fillet Molding
64	 Glue the small triangular filler piece (part no. 4-75) in place as shown in Figure 36. Glue the three parts of the main roof left panel (part no's. 4-65, 4-66 & 4-76) together as shown in Figure 36. Allow the glue to dry before proceeding with Step 8.
FIG. 35	8. Carefully measure and draw guide lines on all the roof panels, for applying the shakes. The first line goes 1-½ inch in from the edge, and the rest are 1 inch apart (Figure 36).
FINAL ASSEMBLY PART 3 ROOF	9. Glue the 20-¼ inch ridge cap (part no. 5-85) across the top edge of the main roof rear panel (part no. 4-61).
1. Prepare your tools and materials. You will need the following items to complete this phase: a dispenser of woodworking glue a sharp utility knife a coping saw a yardstick	10. When the glue from Step 9 is dry, prop the roof rear panel in a vertical position with the ridge cap lying on the table, as shown in Figure 37. Glue the main roof front panel (part no. 4-62) in place, rough side down. Make certain that the front and rear roof panels join at 90° to one another.
a pencil a framing square waxed paper 2. Locate the parts. You will need the following parts: 3-21, Tower Roof Panel, 6 pieces	11. Glue a 13-3/8 inch piece of fillet molding (part no. 5-86) across the third floor panel, directly in line with the tip of wall panel 1-H, as shown in Figure 38-A. Be sure it is sloped the same way as the gable, and perpendicular to it.
 Main Roof, Rear, 1 piece 4-62, Main Roof, Front, 1 piece 4-63, Wing Roof, Left, 1 piece 4-64, Main Roof, Right, 1 pieces 4-65, Main Roof, Left Rear, 1 pieces 	12. Glue a 9-¼ inch piece of fillet molding (part no. 5-87) at the edge of the third floor in each of the two locations indicated in Figure 38-A. Again, be sure they slope the same direction as the roof.

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4-65, Main Roof, Left Rear, 4-66, Main Roof, Left Front,

13. \square When the glue from Steps 11 and 12 has dried, trial

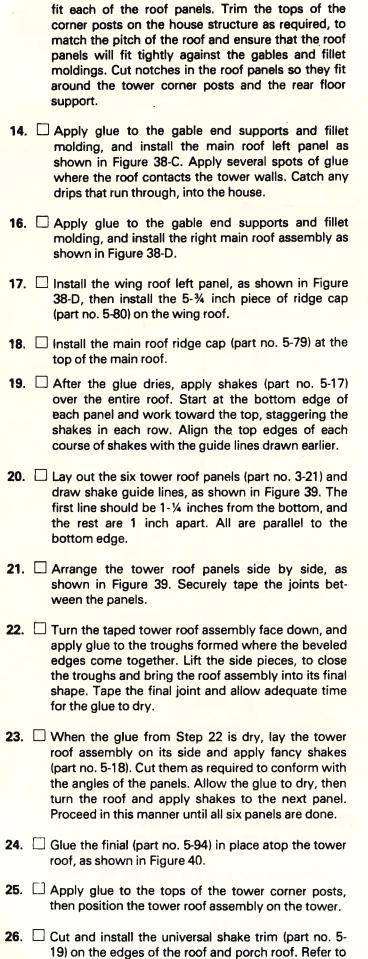
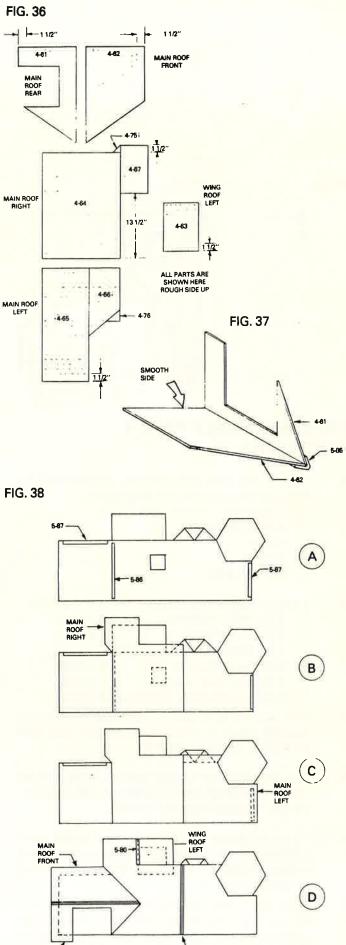
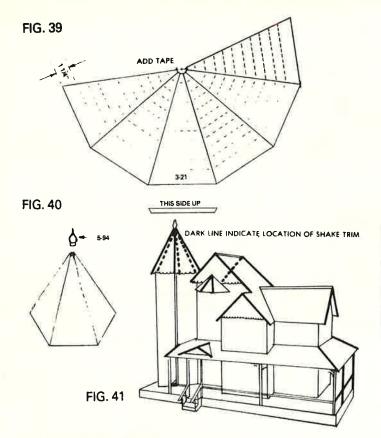


Figure 41.



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FINAL ASSEMBLY PART 4 **PARTITIONS**

1.	following items to complete this a dispenser of woodworking a sharp utility knife a ruler a pencil a small square	phase:
2.	□ Locate the parts. You will need th □ 4-35, Room Partitions, □ 4-72, Attic Floor □ 5-3, Universal molding st □ 5-41, Room Partition Trim, □ 5-78, Attic Floor Support, □ 5-86, Fillet Molding, 13-3/8 in	6 pieces 1 piece ock 12 pieces 1 piece
3.	Glue two pieces of partition trin opposite edges of each of the rono. 4-35) as shown in Figure 42.	
4.	☐ Glue the attic floor support (par two fillet moldings (part no. 5-86	

(part no. 4-72) as shown in Figure 43.

straight and vertical.

on each partition.

5. Tigure 44 shows the proper location of the room

6. Apply glue to the tops and bottoms of the partitions for the two lower floors, and install them in the positions marked. Use the square to verify that the walls are exactly vertical. Cut and fit universal molding (part no. 5-3) to use as base molding

partitions. Measure and mark the locations, top and bottom to ensure that the partitions are installed

7. Apply glue to the fillet moldings on the attic floor assembly, and to the tops and bottoms of the third floor partition. Hold the attic floor in position against the roof panels, then install the partition under it. (Figure 45). 4-72 FIG. 43 FIG. 42 5-78 FIG. 44 PARTION NO. 1 PARTITION NO. 2 GROUND PLOOR PARTITION NO. 4 PARTITION NO. 3 SECOND FLOOR PARTITION NO. 6 THIRD ATTIC FLOOR FIG. 45 FINAL ASSEMBLY PART 5 **DOORS AND STAIRWAYS** 1.

Prepare your tools and materials.	You will need the
following items to complete this p	hase.
a dispenser of woodworkin	g glue
masking tape	
☐ 100 grade (medium) sandpar	r
a sharp utility knife	
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2.		Locate the parts. You will need the following parts	pin through it so that the ninge pin goes into the
		and completed subassemblies:	door 1/4-inch from the rounded edge, as shown in
		2-5 Door Top Casing 4 pieces	
		2-7, Decorative Emblems, 12 pieces	bottoms of both doors in this manner.
		2-23, Door Side Casing, 4 pieces	
		2-26, Door, 2 pieces	16. Install the door knob pins as shown in Figure 48.
		□ 2-20, D001,	
		5-3, Universal Molding Stock Hinge Pins (Brads). 4 pieces	17. At the top and bottom of each door, insert several
			near chiese between the door and the universal
		Door Knobs (Map Pins), 2 pieces	molding. This will oncure that the door will have
		Stairway Subassemblies, 2 pieces	proper clearance for opening and clasing
		3-1/4 inch Railing Subassemblics, 5 pieces	proper dearance for opening and closing.
			60. This show the Com 11 is dry comby also to the
3.		Review the instructions for subassembly no. 7 and	18. If the glue from Step 11 is dry, apply glue to the
		verify that all steps have been completed.	universal molding pieces, then insert the door
		Control of the Contro	assembly into the door opening. Be sure the door
A	\Box	Pre-fit the stairway subassemblies into the house. If	has adequate clearance at the sides.
۳.	ш		
		the partition trim prevents the stairway from fitting	19 . After the glue has dried, remove the paper shims.
		tightly against the partition, cut a notch out of the	_
		side of the stairway to provide the necessary	FIG. 46
		clearance. Sand off any glue or other protrusions	
		that interfere with the fit of the stairways.	
5 .		Apply glue to the edge of the stairway assembly	
		that attaches to the partition, and across the top and	
		bottom of the assembly where it contacts the	
		stairwell and floor.	
		Stall Well and noor.	
	\Box	Place the etainway accombly in position taking core	
D.	ш	Place the stairway assembly in position, taking care	
		to keep glue from getting on the hardwood floor	
		except where the stairway attaches.	
	_		a .
7.		, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,	GLUE 3rd Floor
		procedure described above. Allow the glue to set	GLUE 3rd Floor
		before proceeding with Step 8.	arus sause
			STAIR RAILING SUB ASSEMBLY
8.	П	Once the stairway glue has set, install the second	
•		and third floor stair railing subassemblies as shown	
		in Figure 46.	
		III rigule 40.	
^		Law aut the depositive ambleme (part no. 2.7) on the	
9.	ш	Lay out the decorative emblems (part no. 2-7) on the	GLUE)
		doors (part no. 2-26) in a pattern that creates an	
		effect you like. (The standard pattern is shown in	
		Figure 48). Glue them in place.	GLUE 27 d Floor
			Zna Floor
10.		Glue the door side casings (part no. 2-23) in the	FIG. 48
		upper and lower door openings. Be sure they are	5/6 + 5-3 EIG 47
		pushed all the way into position. Refer to Figure 47.	ROUND OFF FIG. 47
1 . [Apply glue to the door top casings (part no. 2-5) and	ONE INSIDE ONE OUTSIDE
		install one across the top of each doorway, inside	- R
		and outside, as shown in Figure 47.	05TAN 2 26-
		and Jacoldo, do ono mining alo 17.	DETAIL 2-26
2		Cut form minors of universal modeling / and an E 2) to	KNOB CENTER OF THE PERSON OF T
۷.		Cut four pieces of universal molding (part no. 5-3) to	
		fit in the tops and bottoms of the two doorways.	2- 7-
3.		If the glue is dry from Step 9, use sandpaper to	
		round off the hinged edge of the door, as shown in	
		the detail circle on Figure 48.	HINGE PIN ———
		5	
4		Drive a hinge pin through each of the four pieces of	5-3
••		universal molding, 5/16-inch from one end.	
		ariir oradi molaing, of to mort nom one ona.	CONGRATULATIONS! Your miniature

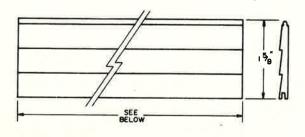
15. Hold the piece of universal molding with the hinge

house is fully assembled.

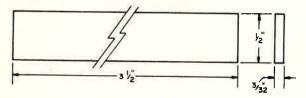
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					4 1
1-2	Siding,	14" long			6 piece
1-4	Siding 3				pieces
1-6		51/2" long	1		pieces
1-11	Siding 2				pieces
1-14		31/2" long	D 21"		pieces
1-15		14" long			pieces
1-17	Siding)1				pieces
1-19	Siding 4				pieces
1-20	Siding		long, 45°	cut-right	•
1-21	Siding			cut-right	
1-22	Siding	123/8"		cut-righ()	
1-23	Siding	1315,16"	_	ut-right	
1-24	Siding	155/8	long, 45°	_	
1-25	Siding	51/4	long, 30°	_	
1-26	Siding	21/2"	long, 30°c		-
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1-29	Siding	13/8"	long		pieces
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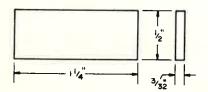


2-5 TOP & BOTTOM WINDOW & DOOR CASING 43 PCS.



2-7 DECORATIVE EMBLEM

12 PCS.



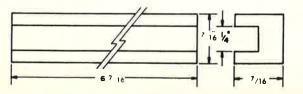
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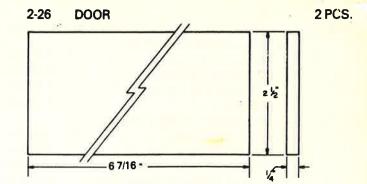


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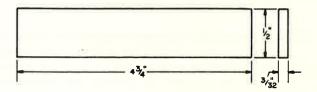
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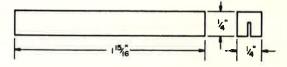
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30 PCS.



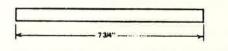
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26 PCS.



2-32 BAY WINDOW TOP & BOTTOM INSIDE TRIM

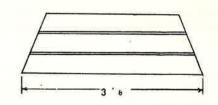
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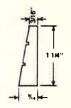


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2-33 WINDOW CAPS

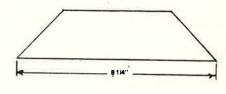
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2-34 BAY WINDOW BOTTOM

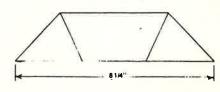
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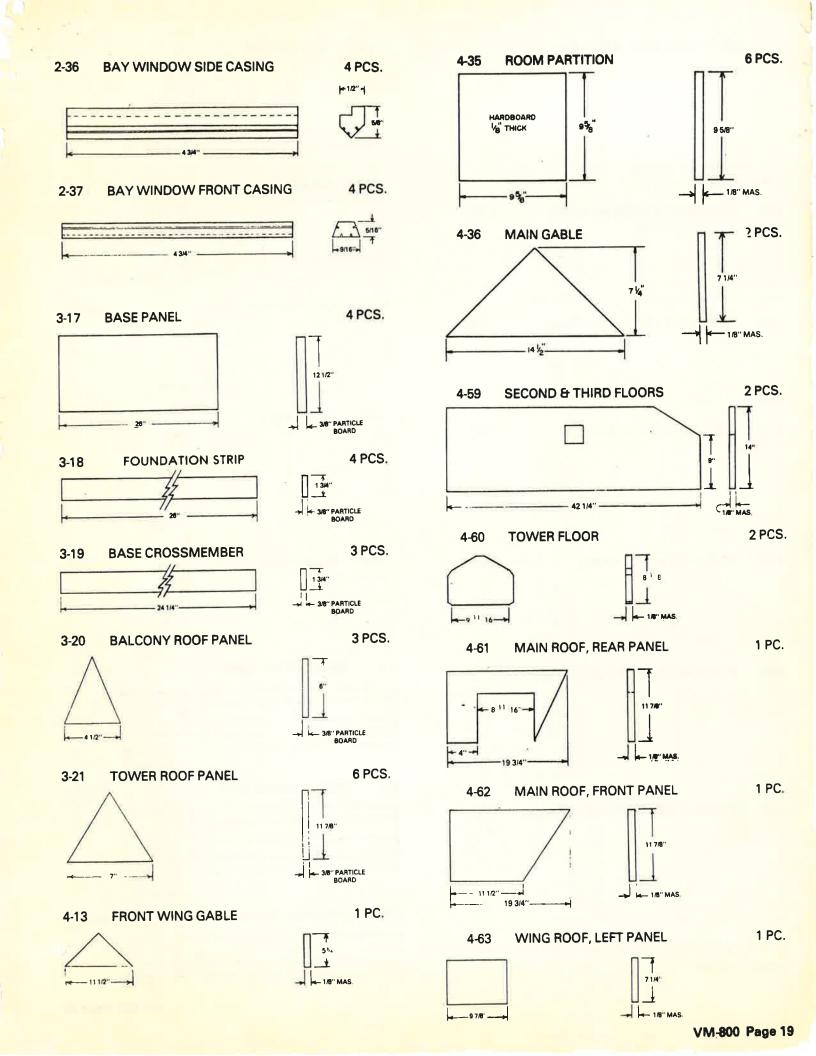


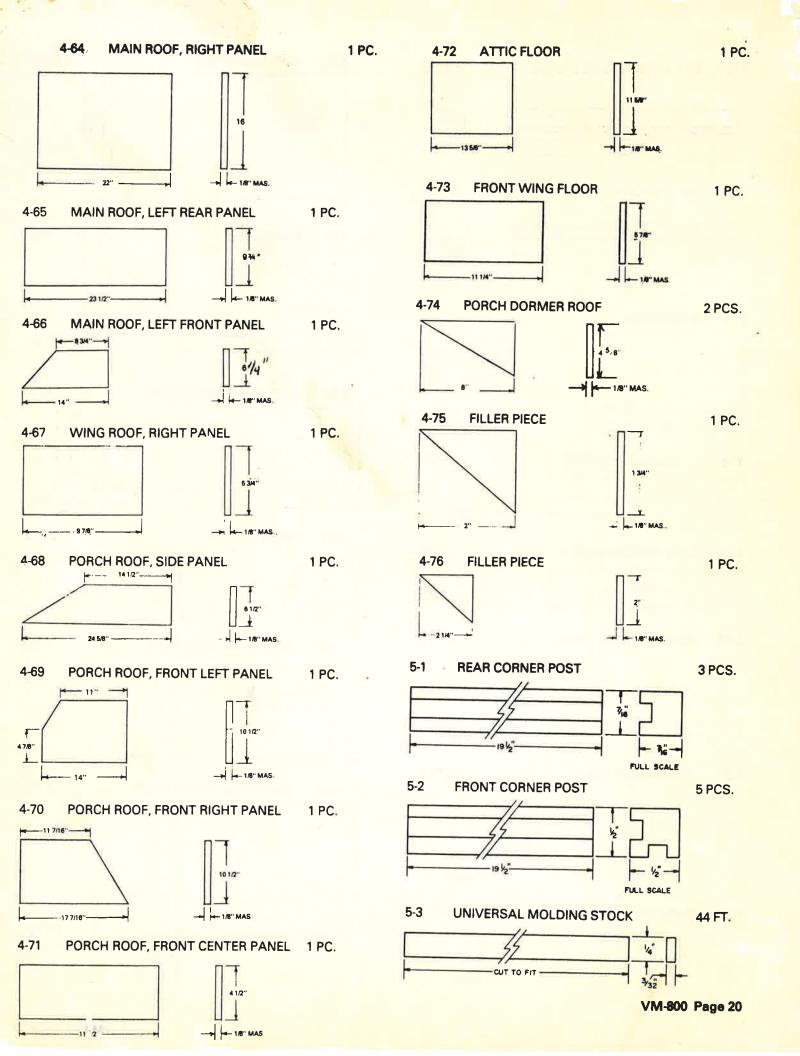
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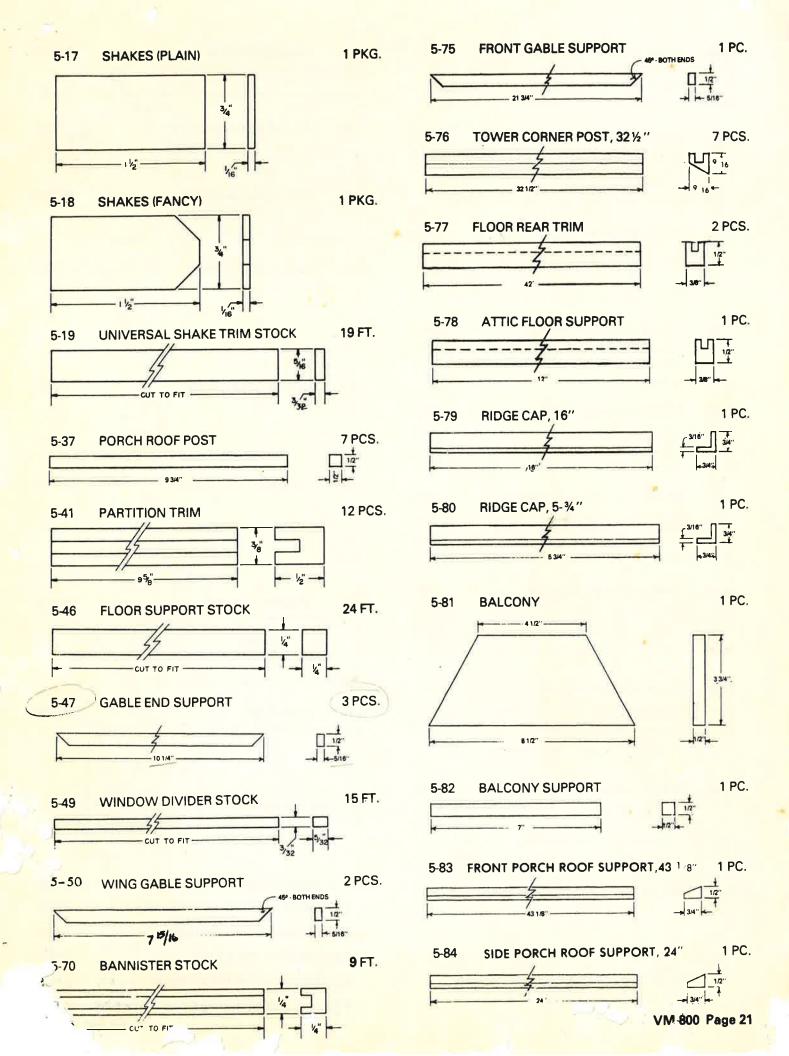
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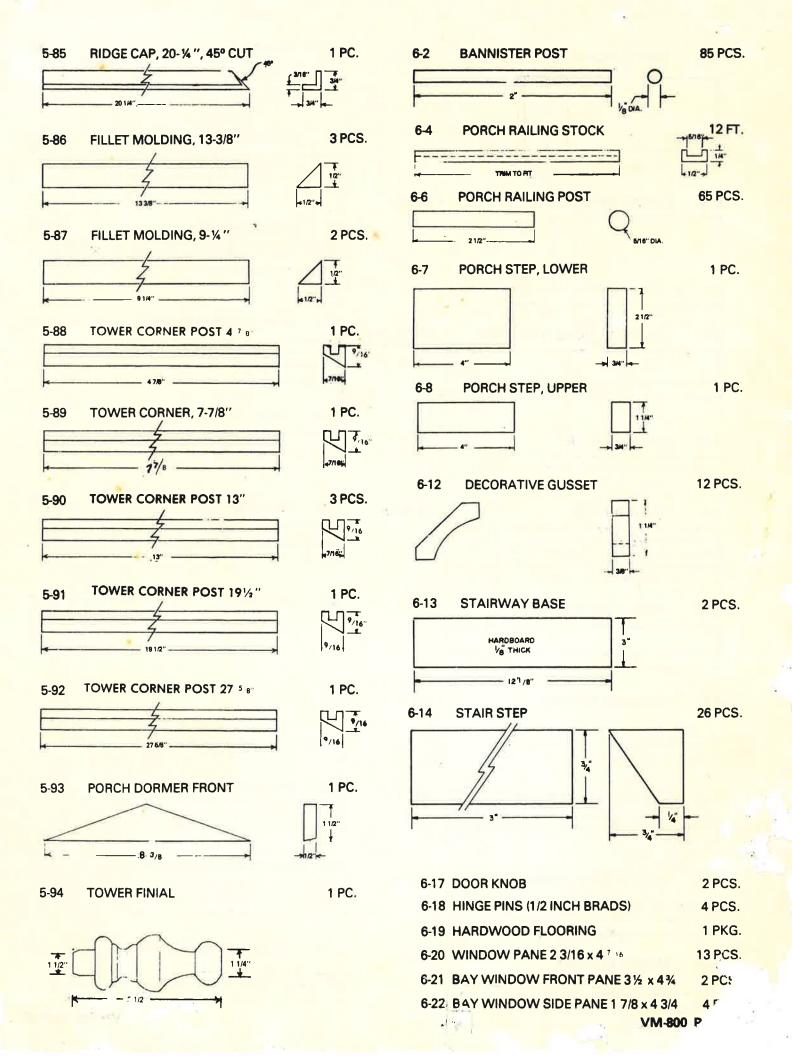








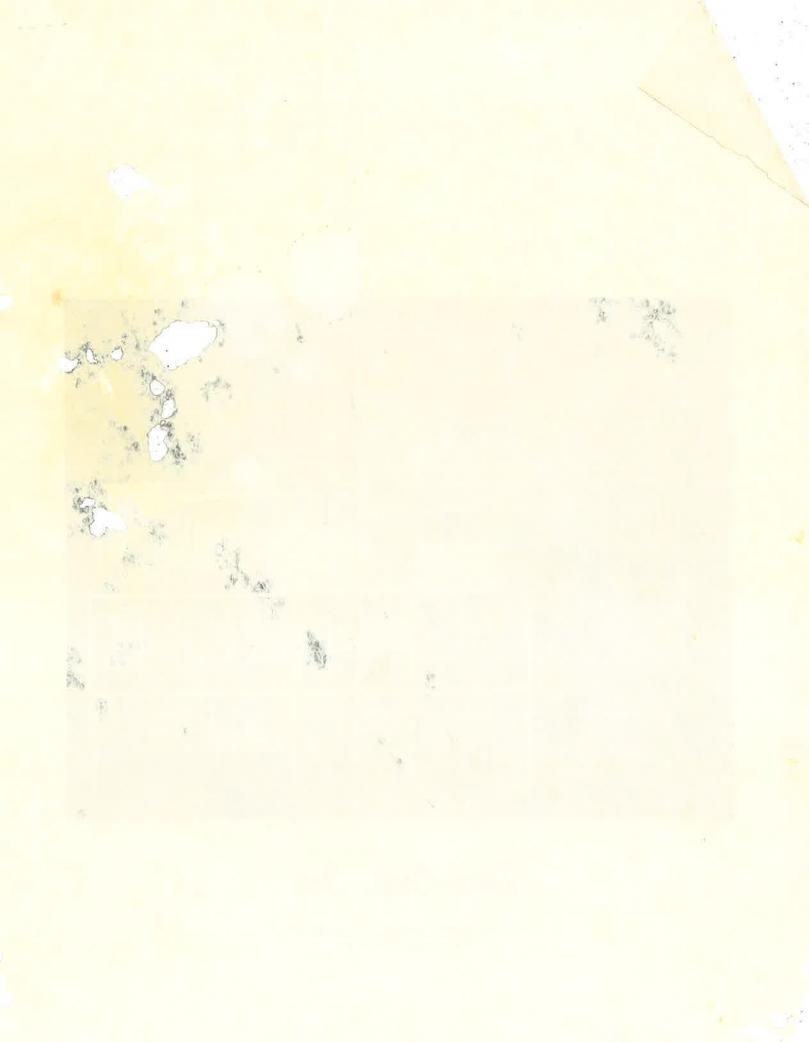






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