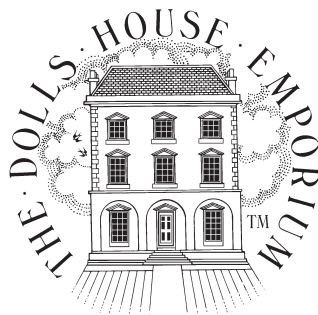




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PARK HOUSE KIT INSTRUCTIONS

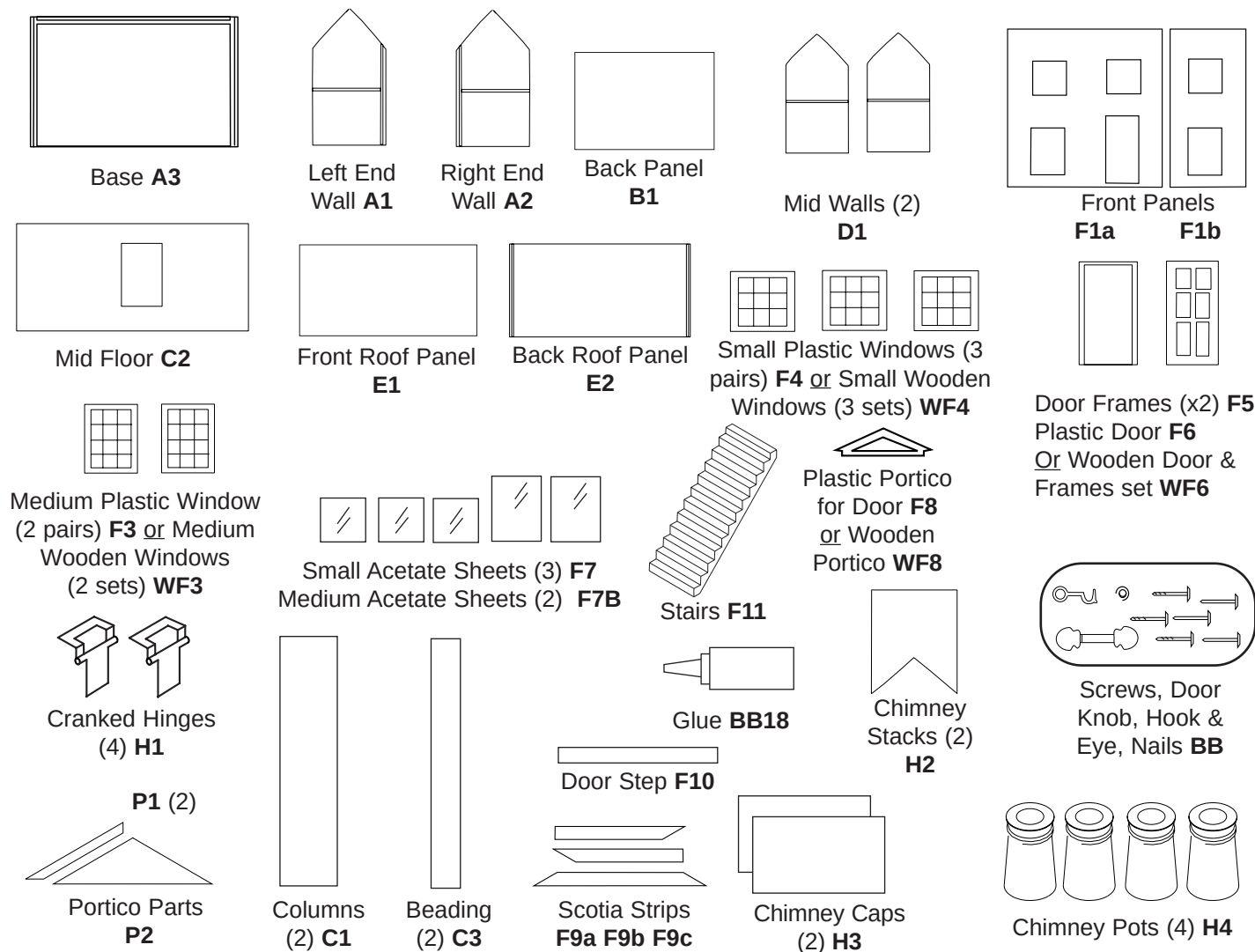
Unpack your kit and study the contents carefully, relating the parts to the contents list and drawings. In the unlikely event of there being a missing or broken part then please ring 01 773 514 404 and our staff will ensure that the problem is dealt with promptly.

We recommend that all Dolls House Emporium kits are dry built first. Please read through all the instructions carefully before commencing. If, at any stage you would like any advice or assistance, please ring us on 01 773 514 410 and we will be pleased to answer any queries.

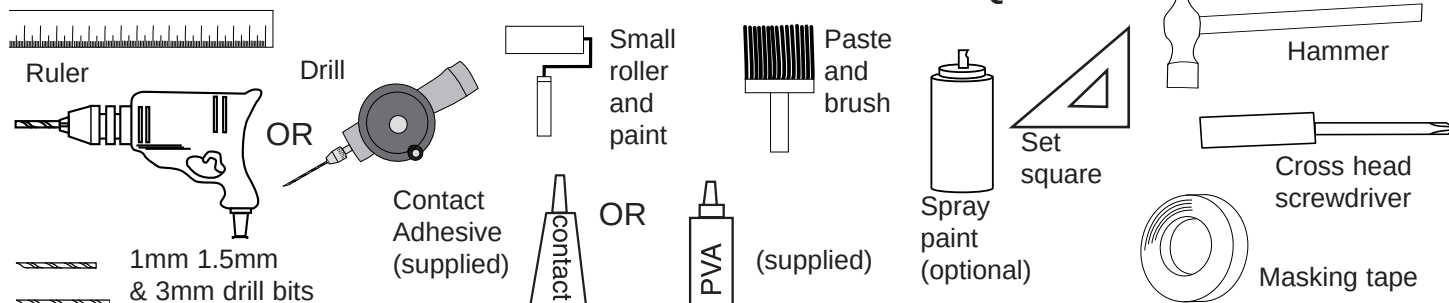
It is not recommended to keep your kit in a conservatory - due to the extremes of temperature.

PARK HOUSE PARTS (*not to scale*)

When requesting a missing or damaged part please prefix part number with 1140



TOOLS AND MATERIALS REQUIRED



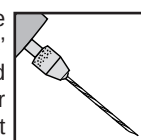
DRY ASSEMBLY

We recommend that all Dolls House Emporium kits are dry built first, to ensure all the parts fit together properly before gluing and/or nailing and so that the instructions are fully understood. **Pay special attention to the orientation of the stairs and mark the correct orientation whilst dry building.** Use masking tape to hold panels together whilst dry building. After unpacking your dolls' house kit, do not throw away the box. Opened up and flattened out, it can be used to cover your work surface (secured with masking tape). It will protect both your work surface and the painted surfaces of your dolls' house.



DRILLING TIPS

It is useful to make pilot holes for the hinge screws using a 1.5mm drill bit, where indicated in the instructions. Before you commence construction of your dolls' house you will need to decide whether you wish to nail your house as well as glue it. Nailing your dolls' house will enable you to move the carcase whilst the glue is wet. However, the PVA glue supplied in this kit will, when applied correctly and allowed to dry completely, form a very strong bond. If nailing as well as gluing then it is useful to make pilot holes for the nails using a 1mm drill bit. Always point the drill slightly towards the interior of the house. This will ensure that the nail does not cause the wood to bulge. Make all pilot holes in the base, back panels, roof and end walls before doing any painting or assembly. Drill the holes in the centre of grooves about 50mm (2") from the sides, two holes in each groove. Make sure your nails go in straight and in the middle of the edge thickness, check at the sides to make sure your nail is not causing the wood to split. If this happens, remove the nail with pliers and re-nail in a new position away from the damaged area.



GLUING TIPS

PVA wood glue and contact adhesive are supplied in the kit - always shake before use. Apply plenty of glue in a zig zag motion down the groove and ensure the glue is evenly spread. Excess glue should be wiped away using a damp cloth. When gluing parts onto painted surfaces, we recommend using the contact adhesive. If superglue won't stick to an absorbent surface, let the glue dry, then re-apply. The first coat will have sealed the surface and the second coat will stick. If superglue won't stick to a shiny surface, sand it lightly to provide a key. If you stick your fingers together with superglue, soak them in hot water and washing-up liquid, and gently prise them apart. To add pressure during gluing stages stand heavy weights in strategic positions.

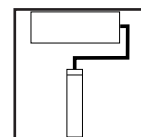


PAINTING TIPS

Oil based matt finish is ideal, applied with a small roller for a flat and even finish. Gloss paint for details can also be used. British Standard codes are as follows:

Classical Blue Eggshell: **BS 18 E 50**
 Park House Pink Eggshell: **BS 02 C 33**
 Country Store, Queen Anne, Priory & Fairbanks Cream Eggshell: **BS 10 C 31**
 Manor Grey Eggshell: **BS 00 A 05**
 Kates Cottage, Acorn Antiques & Malibu Beach House White: **BS 08 B 15**
 Mornington Mews Lavender **BS 05 9 33**

Certified child-safe paints can be obtained from:
 Trimite 01895 251234;
 Dulux 01753 550555;
 Crown/Brolac 01254 704951.



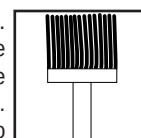
Wooden Windows and Doors

Wooden windows and doors can be coated with a spray paint for a flat and even finish, varnished or stained.

For a realistic pebble-dash finish on your exterior walls, buy a tester pot of masonry paint in the colour of your choice and add some fine sand. Two coats will produce a very pleasing effect.

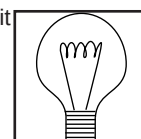
WALLPAPERING TIPS

The best time to decorate your house is indicated in these instructions. Check the walls for any lumps and bumps before papering. Allow minimal overlap when cutting wallpaper. This will make the job of applying it much easier. In fact, if skirting boards and / or coving are to be fitted, no overlap is necessary. It is often easier to decorate the house with it lying on its back. Gravity will help in the positioning of the wallpaper. A 2-inch soft-bristled brush and a 2-inch paint scraper are helpful tools for wallpapering into corners, giving a professional finish. It is easier to wallpaper the roof before attaching it to the house. For cutting difficult shapes in wallpaper, first use a piece of scrap paper to make a template. You can mark this paper by pushing it into the corners of the house and making creases in it. When you are happy with the fit, transfer the shape to your wallpaper. If, after wallpapering, you find that you have an air bubble in it, use a hair dryer to shrink back the wallpaper. If this does not work, wet the paper and use the hair dryer again. Use ordinary wallpaper paste, available from DIY stores and interior decorating suppliers.



WIRING INFORMATION

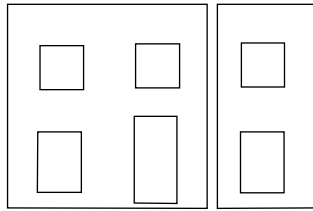
If you intend to light your house it is easiest to wire it where indicated in the following instructions. There is a suggested wiring circuit layout at the end of these instructions, and full details are given with the wiring kit.



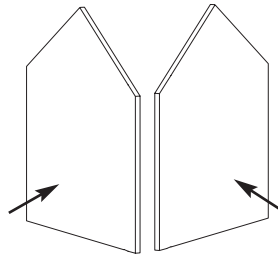
PARTS TO PAINT BEFORE CONSTRUCTION

Please Note: do not allow paint to run into grooves

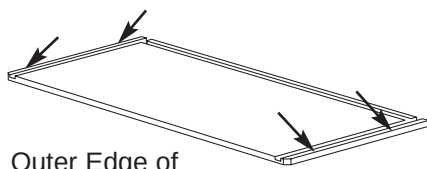
PARTS TO PAINT PINK



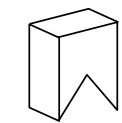
Front Panels
(both sides) **F1a & F1b**



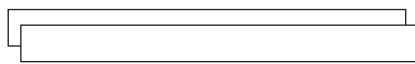
Outer sides & edges of
End Walls **A1, A2**



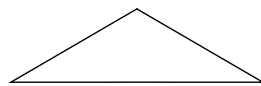
Outer Edge of
Base **A3**



Chimney
Stacks (2)
H2

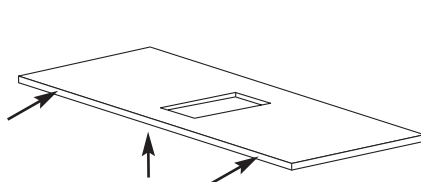


Columns (2) **C1**

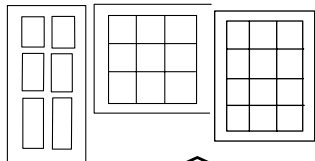


Portico Panel **P2**

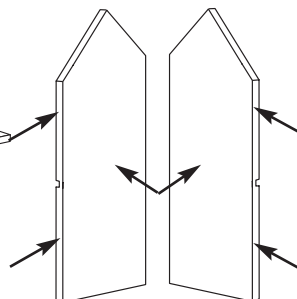
PARTS TO PAINT WHITE



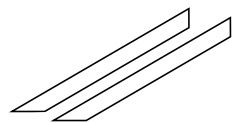
Underside and Front Edge of
Mid Floor **C2** (not side with cross)



Wooden Doors, Windows
and Small Portico



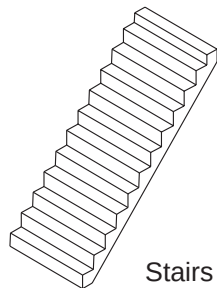
Inner Sides and
Edges of Mid Walls **D1**



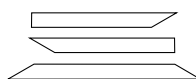
Portico Strips (2)
P1



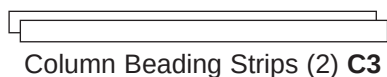
Chimney Caps
(2) **H3**



Stairs **F11**

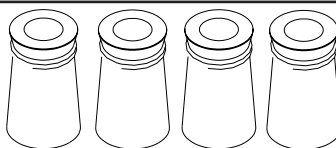


Scotia Strips
F9 (a, b, c)



Column Beading Strips (2) **C3**

PARTS TO PAINT GREY



Chimney Pots (4) **H4**



Door Step **F10**

CONSTRUCTION

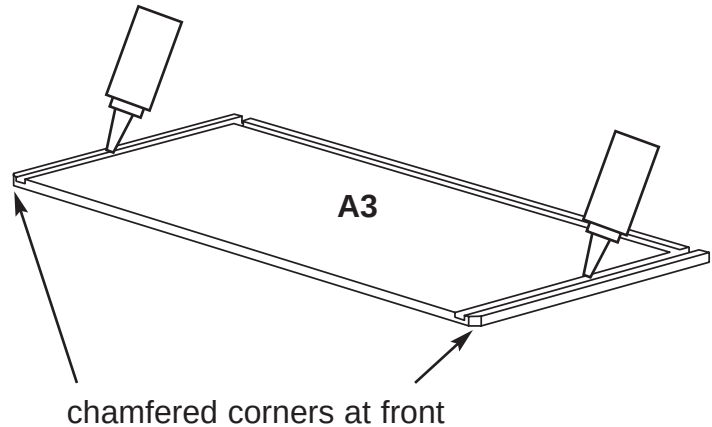
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DRY BUILD YOUR HOUSE NOW,
AND MARK UP THE CORRECT
ORIENTATION OF THE STAIRS

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PVA

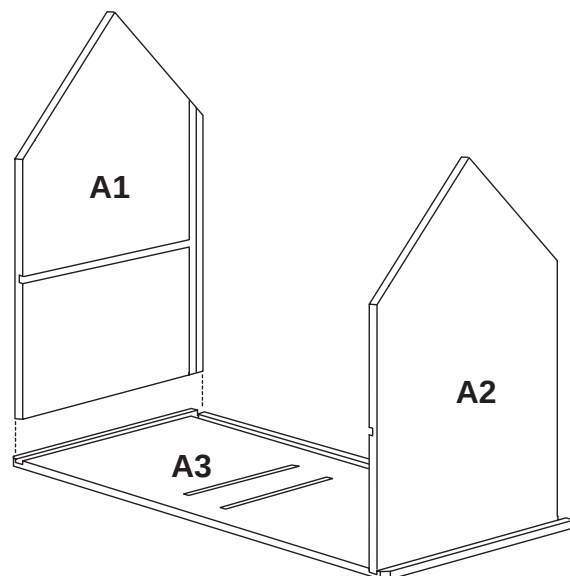
Apply glue to grooves
along sides of base.



chamfered corners at front

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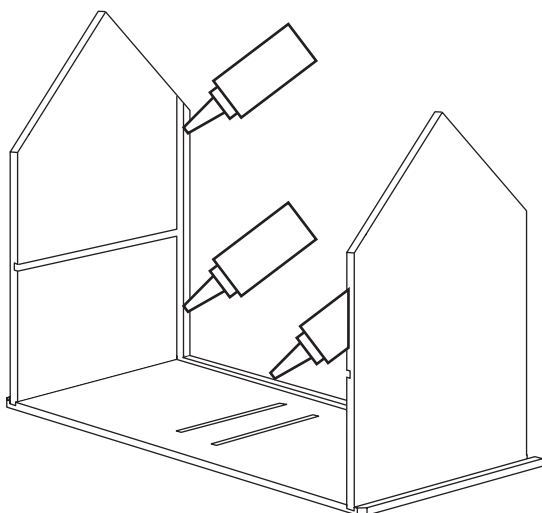
Slot in end panels. It is important
to line up the grooves.



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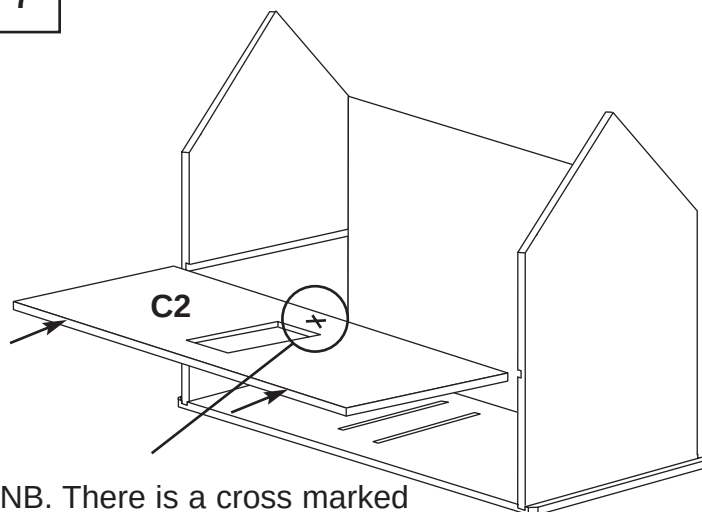


Apply glue to grooves in base and end panels.



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Slot in mid floor.

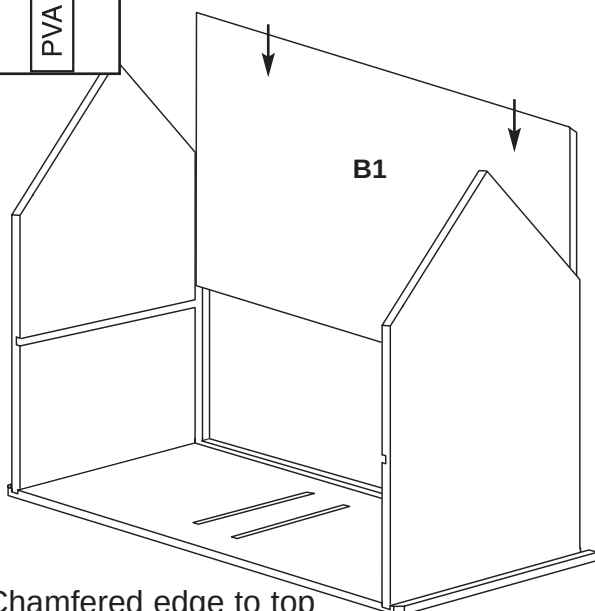


NB. There is a cross marked with a pencil. This should be placed face up to the back of the house.

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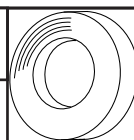


Slot in back panel.

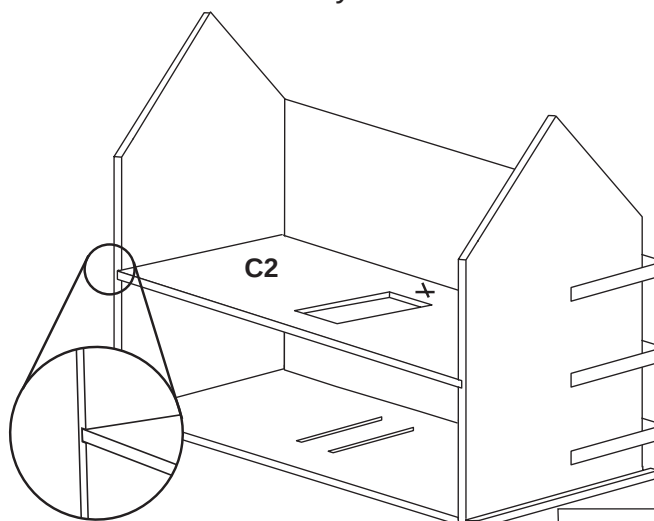


NB. Chamfered edge to top

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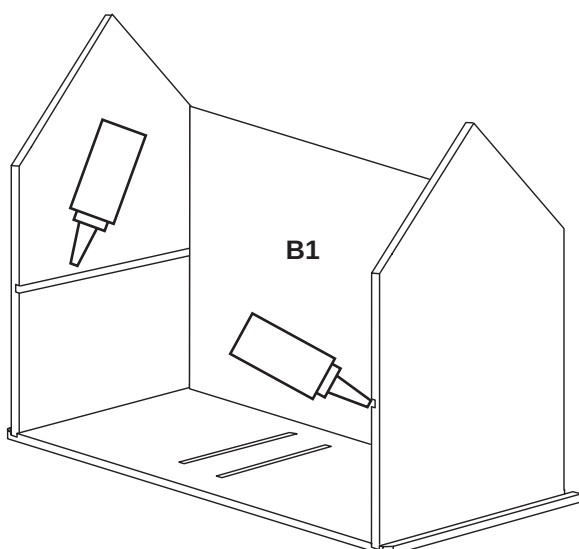
Ensure the front edges are flush with end walls and apply masking tape to hold in position. Allow to dry.



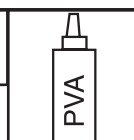
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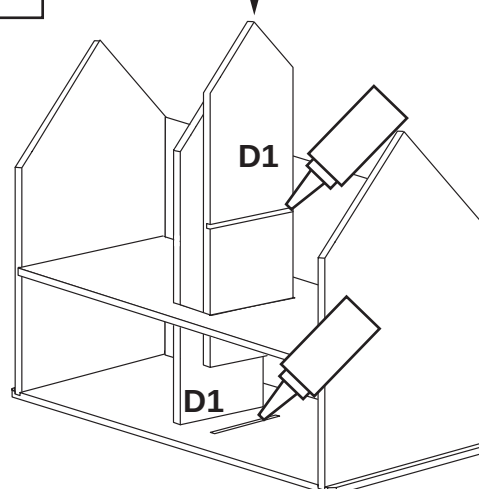
Apply glue to grooves in end panels.



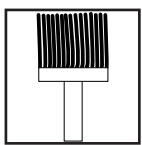
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Apply glue to grooves and slot mid walls into groove in base and mid floor.

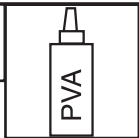


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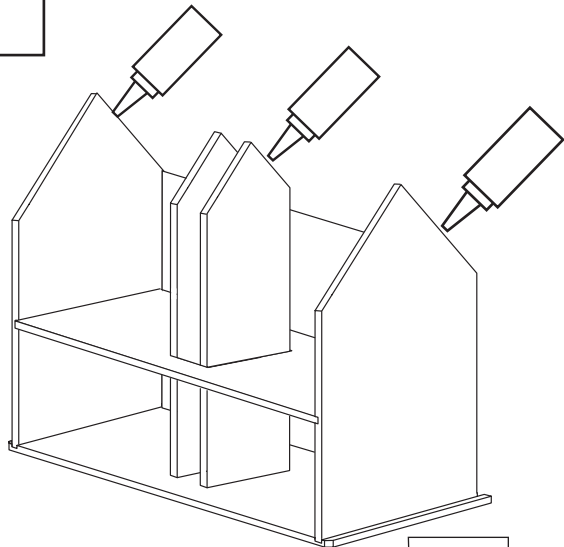


DECORATE
YOUR DOLLS'
HOUSE NOW.

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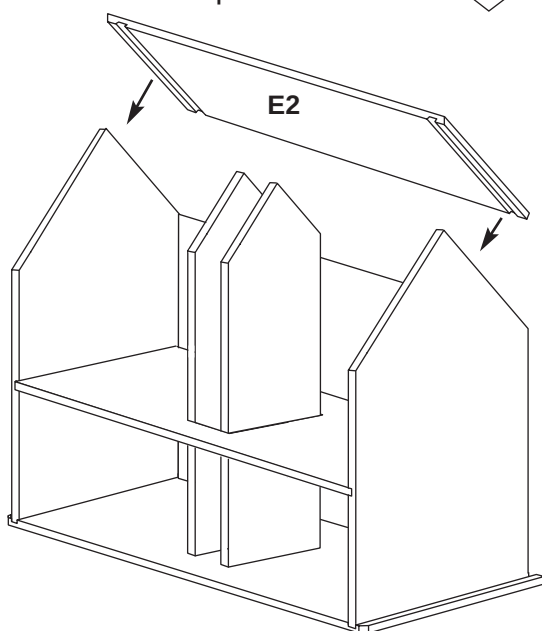


Apply glue to top of back
panel and back sides of end panels.

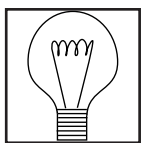


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Position back roof panel.

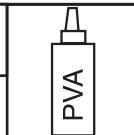


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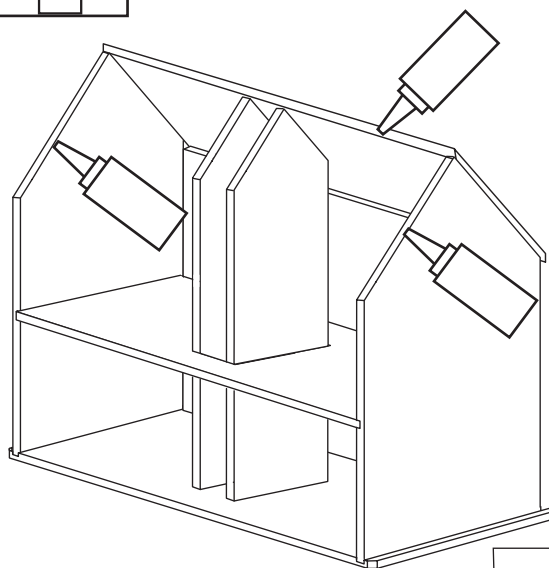


INSTALL HANGING LIGHTS
ONLY AT THIS STAGE.
(see wiring layout on back
page and wiring instructions
for full details).

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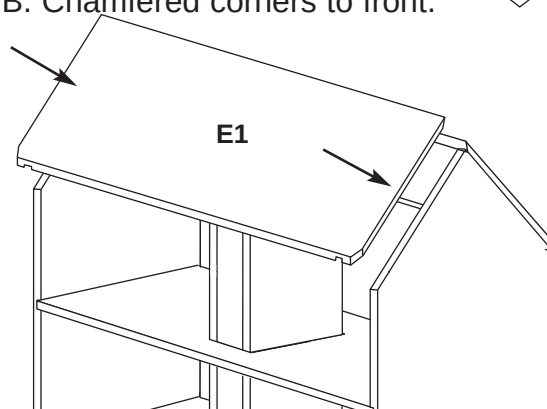


Apply glue to top of back roof panel
and front sides of end panels.

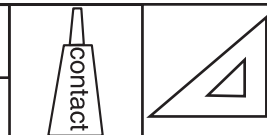


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Position front roof panel.
NB. Chamfered corners to front.



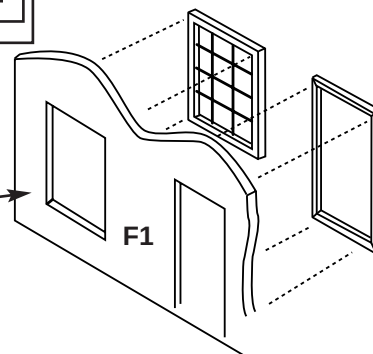
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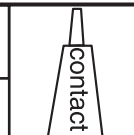
PLASTIC WINDOWS ONLY

Use a set square to
position windows if
necessary.

Front of panel

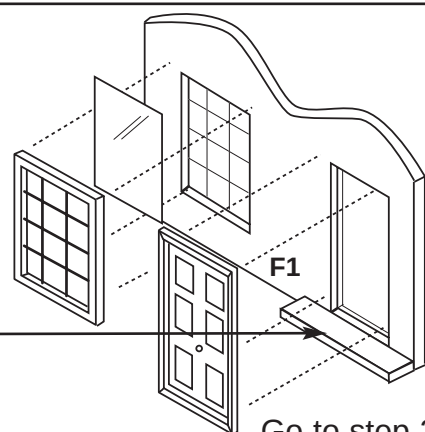


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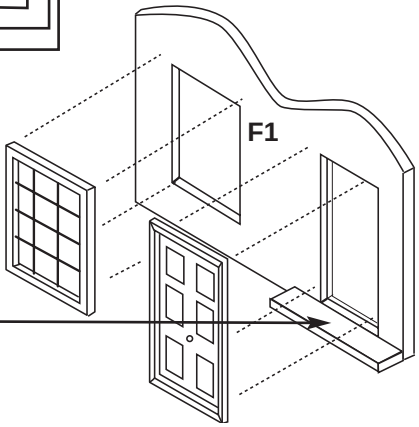
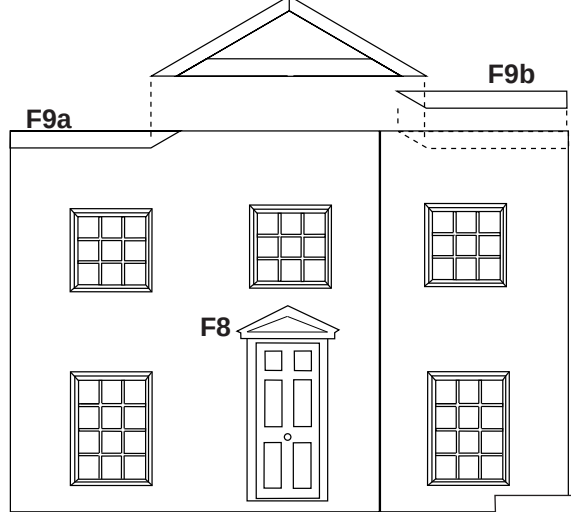
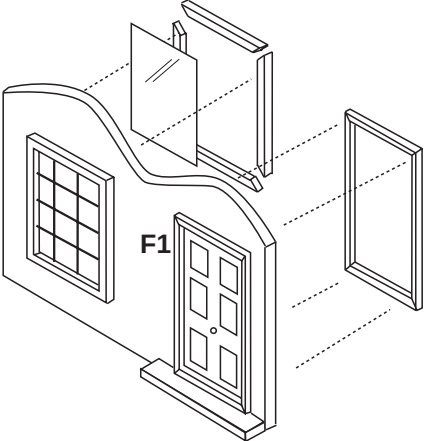
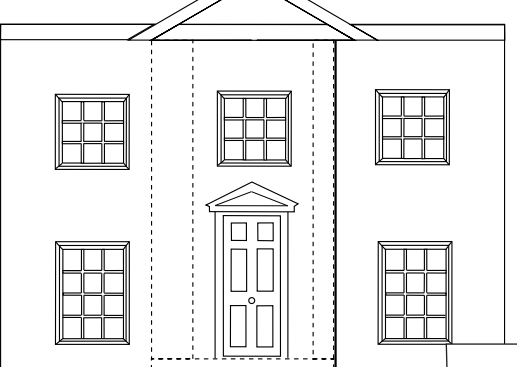
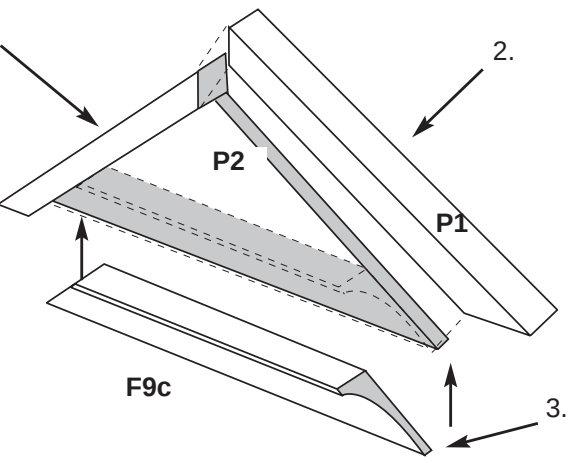
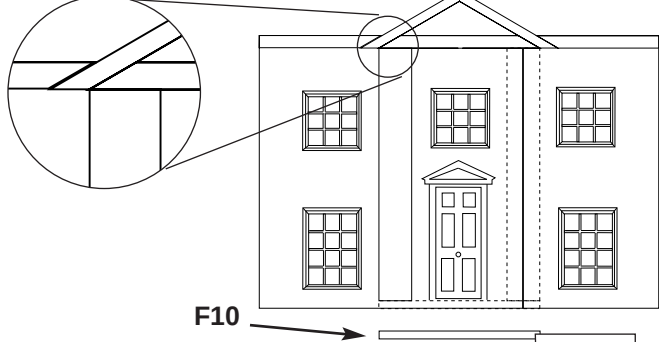
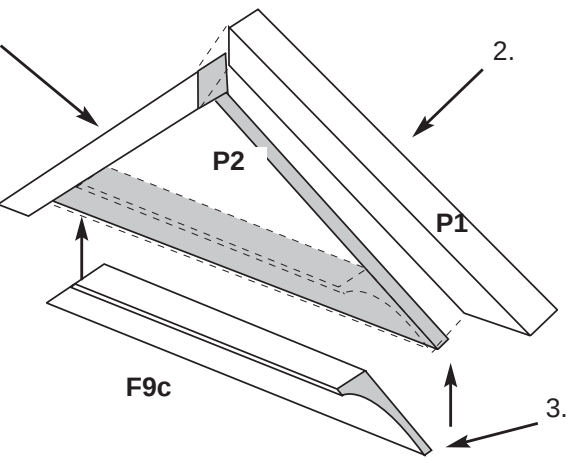
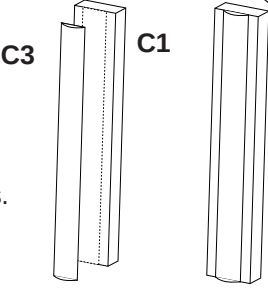


(No need to
glue acetate)

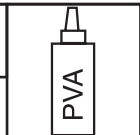
Glue doorstep
centrally to
position door.



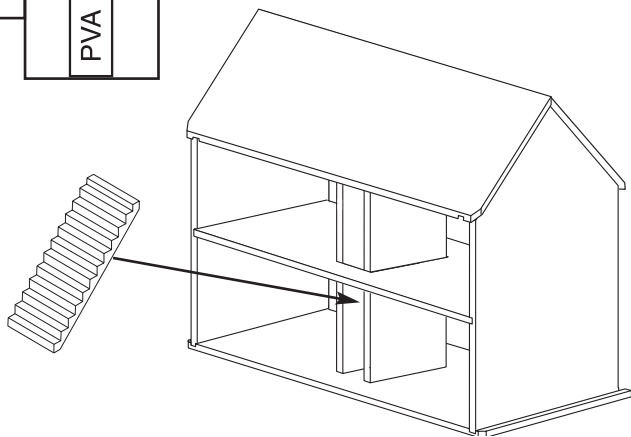
Go to step 20

18	 	WOODEN WINDOWS ONLY	21		A. Glue small portico (F8) and door. B. Glue left & right scotias (F9a/b) to top of panel. C. Locate Large portico on F1.
Use a set square to position windows. Glue doorstep centrally to position door. 					
19		Place a small blob of glue on each corner of the acetate and glue to window. (The acetate may have to be cut to size). Glue the four wooden architraves to the back of the panel.	22	 	Apply glue to areas indicated by dotted lines. (Right hand column conceals join).
					
20		Apply glue to shaded areas. Locate both strips (P1) then bottom scotia strip (F9c).	23		Locate both columns, their edges should be flush with the end of F9c. Locate doorstep (F10) directly beneath columns.
					
			24		Apply glue to the back of the column beading strips. Locate them centrally on the columns. 

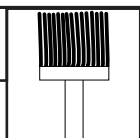
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Glue stairs in position.

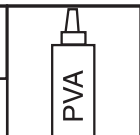


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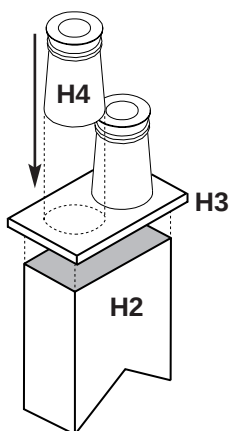


Paper roof now and allow to dry.
NB. A better bond is achieved by gluing chimneys to roof before papering, if you are prepared to cut out paper around chimneys.

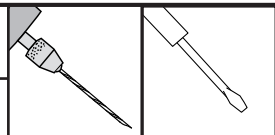
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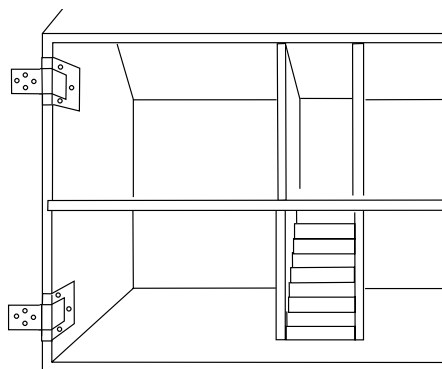
Apply glue to the top of **H2** (shaded). Locate **H3** centrally. Apply glue to the bottom of the chimney pots (**H4**) and locate. Repeat for other chimney. Glue chimneys to roof.



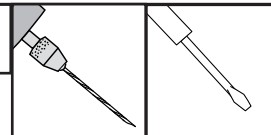
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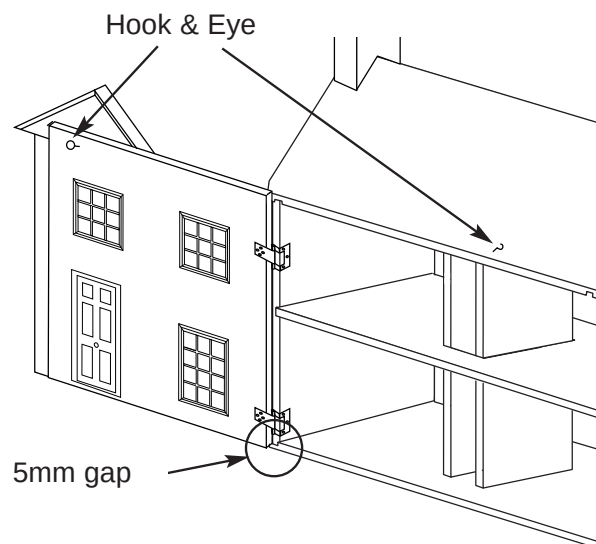
Fit hinges to carcass. Place hinge in position, mark holes with pencil and drill 1.5mm pilot holes for screws. Screw hinges in place.



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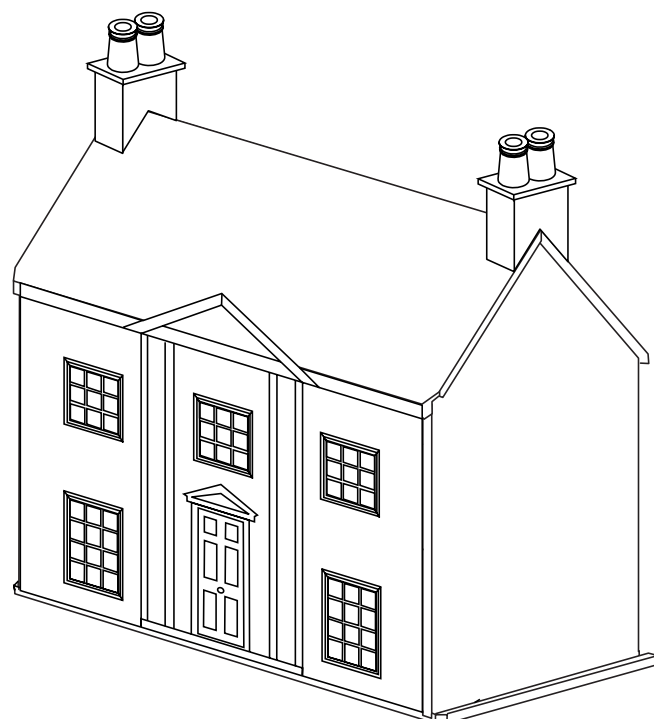


Using some cardboard or a magazine support the opening panel **F1a** 5mm off the ground at 90° to the carcass. Butt the panel up to the pivot of the hinges and mark one hole in each hinge on the front panel. Remove the panel and drill one 1.5mm pilot hole per hinge. Offer the front panel to the carcass again and fit one screw into each hinge. Remove the support under the opening panel and check panel opens and closes neatly. Repeat the procedure for the other door, **F1b**. If the panels do not open and close neatly, adjust as required before drilling and screwing in remaining screws. Fit hook and eye.



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You have now completed your Park House



We hope you are pleased with the result

WIRING LAYOUT FOR PARK HOUSE

Complete wiring instructions are given with The Dolls House Emporium wiring kit.

