

#92017 Craftsman Cabin Kit

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Step-by-step assembly instructions

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MDF PARTS:

- (1) Floor
- (1) Front wall
- (1) Back wall
- (1) Right wall
- (1) Left wall
- (1) Main roof
- (1) Roof support bar
- (2) Roof support brackets
- (1) Flat roof
- (1) Upper right wall
- (9) Roof edge trim (fascia)
- (1) Partition wall
- (1) Porch floor
- (3) Porch foundation
- (1) Step riser
- (1) Step tread

WHITEWOOD PARTS:

- (2) Porch posts
- (1) Porch roof support beam
- (6) Corner trim
- (2) Front wall flat trim
- (1) Door
- (1) Picture window
- (1) Skylight
- (5) Windows
- Interior trim for all components

SUPPLIES NEEDED:

- Masking tape
- White glue (such as #1249 Weldbond)
- Clamps (such as #55664 Clamps)
- Pencil



 **WARNING:**
CHOKING HAZARD – Small parts
Not for children under 3 yrs.
Adult supervision required.

GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS

- Identify and inspect all parts using the Parts List.
- Read the directions completely before beginning the project.
- If possible, have a dedicated work area so that you are not unpacking, repacking, and moving the project from place to place.
- Choose a work surface that is level, clean, dry, and protected from glue spills.
- Do a dry fit, using masking tape to hold parts in place, to make sure everything fits together correctly before assembling permanently.

Assembly Instructions

Tip: Plan the finishes for the interior and exterior at the dry-fit stage, before final/permanent assembly. It is easier to finish the panels as flat surfaces. Disassemble and finish as desired, then reassemble using glue.

Separate the MDF floor, main walls and roof pieces from the smaller pieces and trim. Set aside the door/windows/skylight and their interior trim package.

STRUCTURE ASSEMBLY:

1. Place the front wall face down, grooved side up, on the work surface. The front wall features an irregular roofline and openings for a picture window and door. Fit the floor panel into the groove, then add an adjacent side wall in

the same manner. Tape the two walls at the joining corner to hold them in place. The dimensions of the floor will show how the walls join at the corners. Stand the assembly upright and add the remaining two walls, taping as you go.

2. The flat roof panel sits on the front, back, and right side walls. Slide its notches in place with the wider overhang at the front which creates the porch roof. The flat roof will form a ledge in the interior and support for the upper right wall.
3. Add the upper right wall. It fits against the front and back walls and has a beveled edge to match the roofline. Tape the corners to hold it in place.

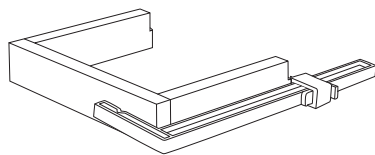
- The roof support brackets go on the interior ledge formed by the flat roof and in the front and back corners. The notch is toward the upper right wall and the angle matches the roofline. You may glue these in place at this point, but attach them **ONLY** to the front/back wall if you want to be able to disassemble for finishing. Apply glue sparingly to the wall side and clamp. Wipe away any glue that oozes out, especially on the flat roof and upper right wall.



- Lay the main roof panel flat on your work surface, groove side up. The MDF roof support beam has notches at each end; place the notched side into the roof groove and glue into place. *Note: The roof beam fits into the notches in the roof support brackets to hold the roof steady.*
- Draw a pencil line on the floor where it meets the walls so you know where any thick finishing materials (wood/tile/carpet) must end.

PORCH ASSEMBLY:

- Fit the two porch posts into the notches in the porch roof support beam; secure with tape if you will need to disassemble later for finishing, glue if not (remember that stain will not take where glue has been). The overhanging ends of the beam are not the same length; the slightly longer end goes to the left.
- The porch foundation pieces are used on edge. The unnotched ends of the two shorter pieces butt into the side of the longer piece, flush at the corners, forming a C shape with



both notches the same way. Glue the joints and clamp (#55664 Large Clamp works well), making sure the ends are flush, square and flat. Let dry.

- Place the porch foundation against the house so that the notches make a snug fit with the rabbet in the outside wall. Glue the porch floor in place, positioned flush at the wall and centered side-to-side. Be careful not to glue the porch to the house at this time.
- Assemble the step the same way as the porch floor. Glue the tread to the wider side of the riser, flush at the back and overhanging the remaining sides. Note: Glue the step to the main porch near the end of construction.

When you are ready for permanent installation, the porch posts go at the front outside corners of the porch floor and the beam goes at the front edge under the flat roof overhang.

This completes the main structure assembly. When dryfitting is complete and you are ready to proceed, use glue at all joints as you reassemble.

ROOF TRIM (FASCIA):

The nine fascia pieces are strips of thin MDF and are somewhat fragile. If your roof will be handled a great deal during the finishing process, consider gluing these strips on as a later step.

WINDOWS/DOOR/SKYLIGHT:

Check that all these components fit into their openings. The smallest windows do not have removable glazing and should hinge from the top.

CORNER TRIM/FLAT TRIM:

The six pieces of corner trim finish and conceal the wall panel joints. There is flat trim for the front and back walls, to continue the line made by the upper wall corner trim. It is optional.

PARTITION WALL PANEL:

This MDF panel fits under the flat roof, parallel to the front/back walls, and may be used to help define the interior space. It is optional.



Front Side



Back Side



Right Side



Left Side