

ASSEMBLY MANUAL

6x6 Little Cedar Playhouse - T&G

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IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Our products are built for use based on proper installation and normal residential use, on level ground. Please follow the instruction manual when building your shed and retain the manual for future maintenance purposes.

Some of the safety and usage measures you may wish to consider include:

Snow load ratings vary by geographical location. If heavy or wet snowfall occurs, it is advisable to sweep snow off roof frequently. In areas with high or gusty wind conditions, it is advisable to install the structure securely to the ground.

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Parts List

A. Floor Section

- 2 Floor Frame Sections 35" x 75" (2x4's)
- 4 Floor Joists 71 3/4" (2x4's)
- 4 Floor Runners 70" (2x4's)
- 1 Plywood Floor 5/8" x 45 3/8" x 74 7/8"
- 12 Deck Boards 3/4" x 5 3/8" x 23 7/8"
- 2 Deck Boards 3/4" x 4 1/2" x 23 7/8"

B. Wall Section

- 2 Solid Backwall Panels 35" x 60"
- 2 Bottom Wall Plates 1 1/2" x 2 1/2" x 35" (for Backwall Panels)
- 2 Gable Side Window Wall Panels 45 1/2" x 74 1/2" (at peak)
- 1 Front Window Wall Panel 35" x 60"
- 1 Narrow Front Wall Panel 10" x 58 1/2"
- 1 Right Side Door Jamb 1 1/2" x 2 11/16" x 58 1/2"
- 1 Door Header 1 1/2" x 2 1/2" x 35"
- 1 Roof Ridge Beam 1 1/2" x 2 1/2" x 70"
- 2 Plywood Ridge Beam Supports 5/8" x 3 1/2" x 6"
- 2 Top Plates 1/2" x 2 1/2" x 70"
- 2 Angled Top Plates 1 1/2" x 2 1/2" x 70"

C. - Porch Section

- 3 Porch Posts 3 1/2" x 3 1/2" x 52 1/2" (cut 13.5 degrees on top end)
- 3 Porch Rafters 3/4" x 3 1/2" x 27"
- 1 Front Porch Railing 41 1/2" x 23"
- 2 Side Porch Railings 19 3/4" x 23"
- 1 Left Front Corner Filler Trim 5/8" x 2 1/2" x 59"
- 1 Right Front Corner Filler Trim 5/8" x 4 5/8" x 59"
- 2 Front Corner Wide Trims 1/2" x 4 5/8" x 56 3/4"
- 1 Door Stop Trim 1/2" x 2 1/2" x 56 3/4" (also used to support Center Porch Rafter)
- 1 Above Door Trim 5/8" x 1 1/2" x 33 1/2"
- 1 Porch Narrow Trim 1/2" x 2 1/2" x 59"
- 3 Porch Rail Support Blocks 1 1/2" x 3 1/2" x 3 1/2"

D. Roof Section

3 - Roof Panels - 30" x 81"

E. Miscellaneous Section

Trims

- 2 Rear Corner Filler Trims 5/8" x 2 1/2" x 59"
- 5 Wall Narrow Trims 1/2" x 2 1/2" x 64"

Facia

- 4 Side Facia Trims 1/2" x 1 1/2" x 28 1/2" (angled on both ends)
- 2 Porch Facia Trims 1/2" x 1 1/2" x 28"

Skirting

- 2 Front & Rear Bottom Skirtings 1/2" x 3 1/2" x 76"
- 2 Side Bottom Skirtings 1/2" x 3 1/2" x 70"
- 12 Porch Post Base Trims 1/2" x 1 1/2" x 4"

Doors and Windows

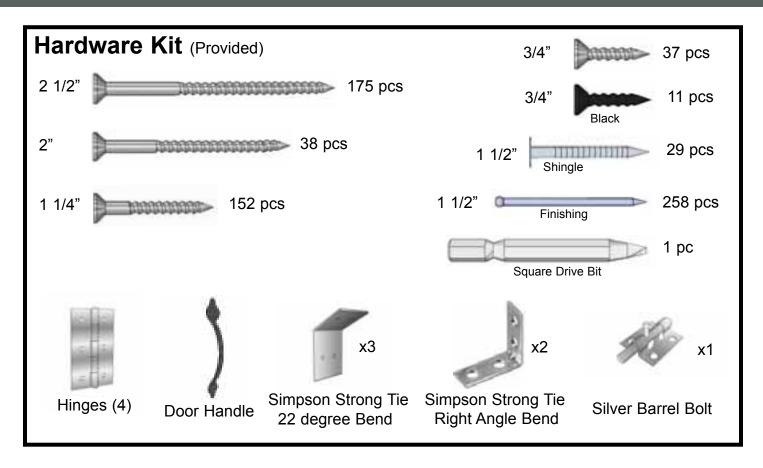
- 1 Dutch Door (Top and Bottom) 23" x 32 1/2"
- 3 Functional Window Inserts
- 3 -Window Trim Pkg (1-24 1/16" angle cut / 3 -23" square cut)

Miscellaneous

- 13 Shingle Ridge Caps for Roof
- 2 Flower Box Kits
- 1 pc Spare Wall Siding
- 2 pcs. Shim Shingles used to shim door, etc

Note: Trim and Skirting pieces are graded with the best face being rough sawn. Rough sawn cedar is much easier to paint and stain.

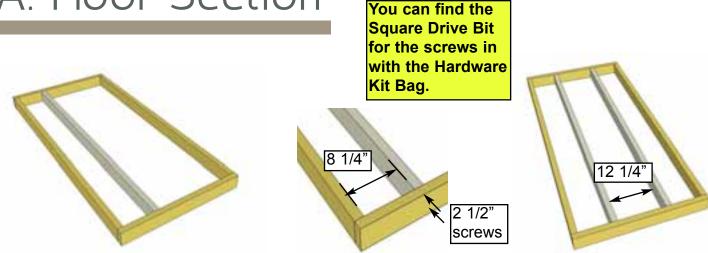
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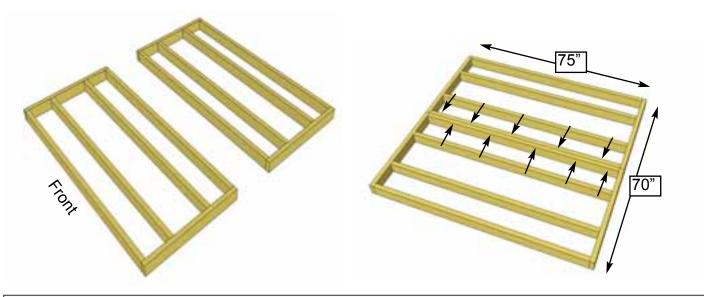




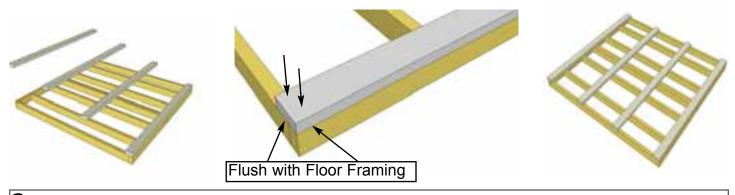
A. Floor Section



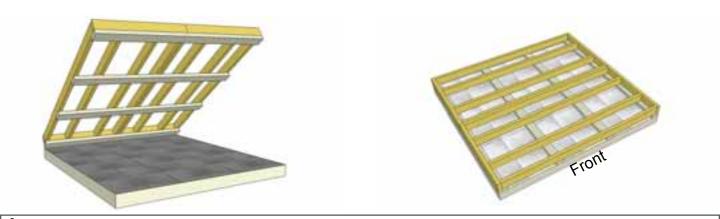
1. Complete **Floor Joist Frames.** Frames require two interior Floor Joist attachments. Measure joist (8 1/4") from inside of Floor Joist Frame to inside of Floor Joist and attach with 2 - 2 1/2" screws per end. Complete attachments of both Floor Joists and both Floor Joist Frames.



2. Position completed Floor Joist Frames together and attach with $5 - 2 \cdot 1/2$ " screws per section. Attached together, your Floor Joist section should be **75**" wide x **70**" deep.



3. Attach **Floor Runners** to completed Floor Frame. There are two Floor Runners per 70" side and four completed runners in total. Use 6 - 2 1/2" screws per Runner to secure.



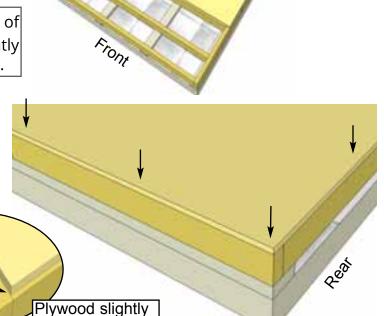
4. With Floor Runners attached, carefully flip the floor over and place on your foundation. **CAUTION:** You will need two people to assist you. Be careful not to bend or twist the floor when laying floor down. When in place, level floor completely.

Foundations

NOTE: The floor will be flipped over and Floor Runners will sit on your foundation. It is important to note that having a level foundation is critical. Choosing a foundation will vary between regions. Typical foundations can be concrete pads or patio stones positioned underneath the floor runners.

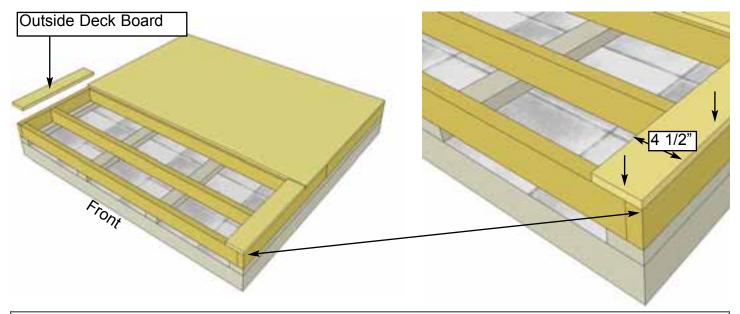


5. Position **Plywood Floor** piece on top of completed Floor Joists. Plywood will sit slightly back from outside edge of Floor Joist Framing.

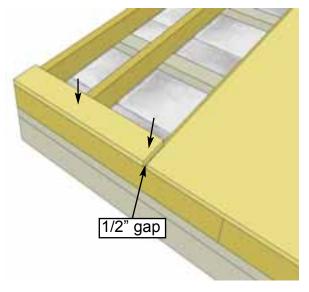


6. When Plywood Floor is correctly positioned, attach with 1 1/4" screws. Use screws every 16".

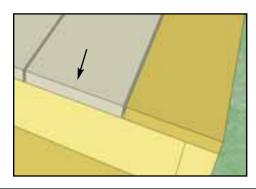
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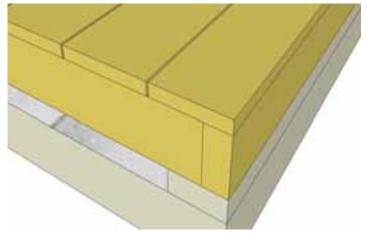
7. Locate **Deck Boards** (12 @ 3/4" x 5 3/8" x 23 7/8" and 2 @ 3/4" x 4 1/2" x 23 7/8"). Start by positioning both 4 1/2" wide Deck Boards to the outside of Floor Framing flush to the front. A 1/2" gap will exist between Plywood Floor and Deck Boards. When correctly positioned, attach both outside boards with 3 - 1 1/4" screws.



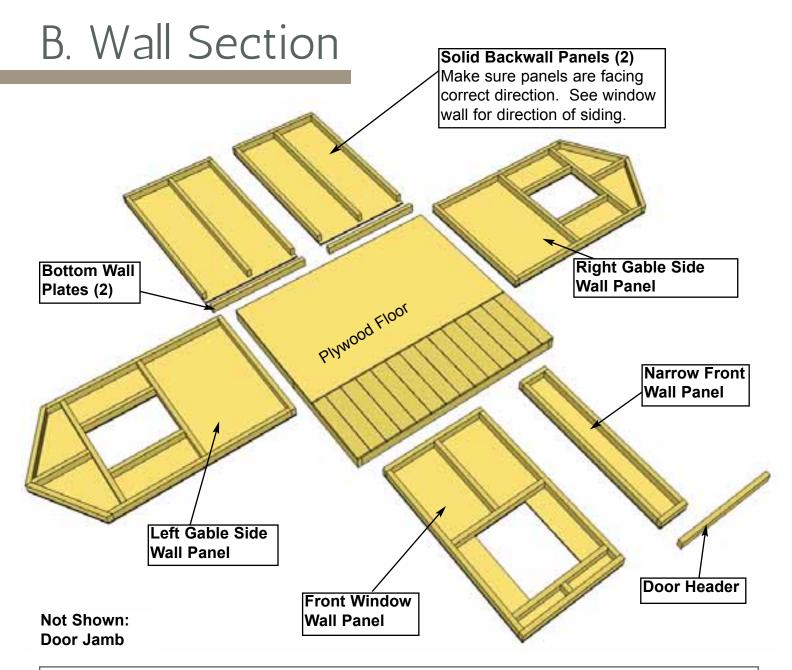
8. Position remaining interior Deck Boards (12 at 5 3/8" wide) between outside Deck Boards.



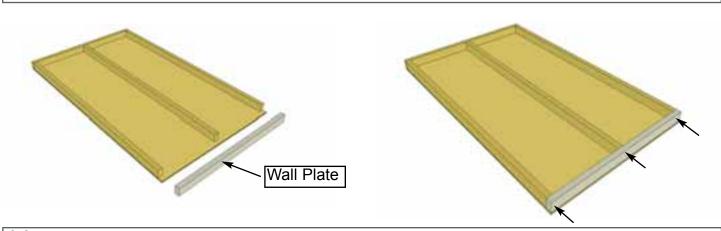
9. Space Deck Boards so there is approximately an 1/8" gap between boards and attach with 3 - 1 1/4" screws per piece.



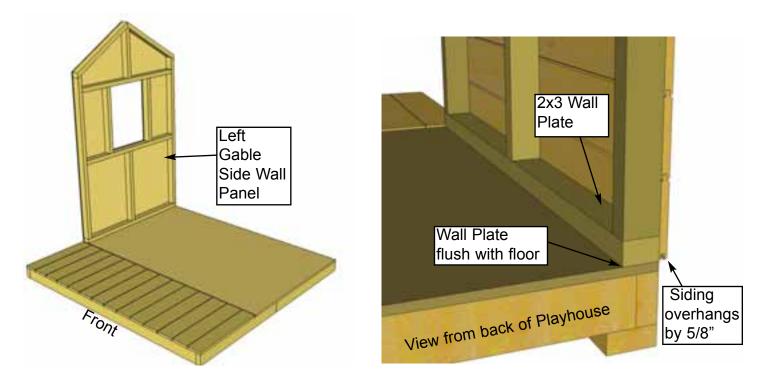
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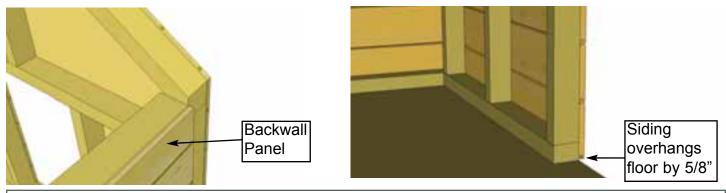
10. Lay out all the **Wall Panels** and become familiar with their location.



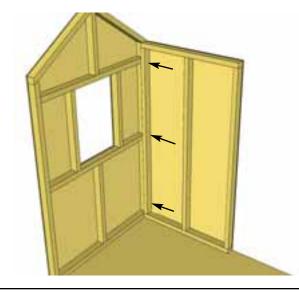
11. Starting with Solid Backwall Panels, carefully lay panel face down. Position and attach Bottom Wall Plate to bottom of wall studs of each wall panel with 3 - 2 1/2" screws. Position so Wall Plates are flush with framing.

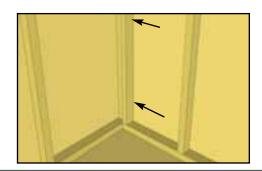


12. Starting at the left rear corner, move the Left Gable Side Window Wall Panel into place on floor. Proper wall positioning is important. From the rear, make sure wall framing sits flush on the floor. NOTE: Do Not Screw Wall Panel to Floor At This Stage.

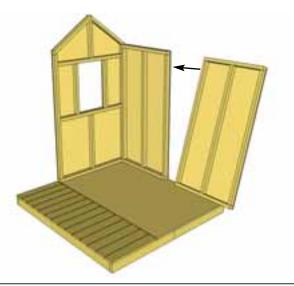


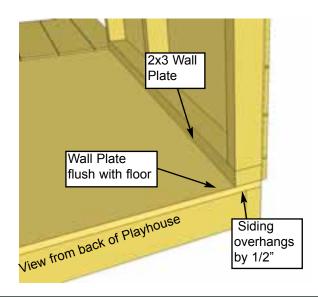
13. Position first Solid Backwall Panel in the corner next to Left Gable Sidewall Panel.



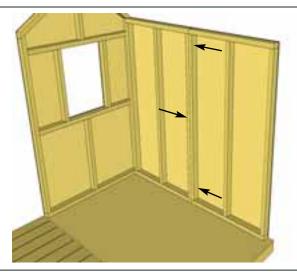


14. Align the Solid Backwall Panel Bottom Wall Plate flush with the floor. When positioned correctly, screw both panels together with 3 - 2 1/2" screws into vertical studs at the bottom, middle and top locations.



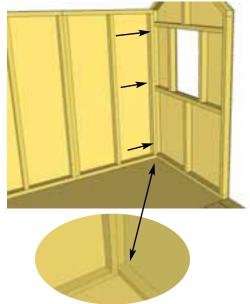


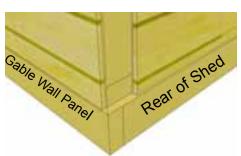
15. Position second **Solid Backwall Panel** on floor and align vertical studs of both Solid Backwall Panels.

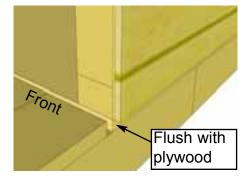




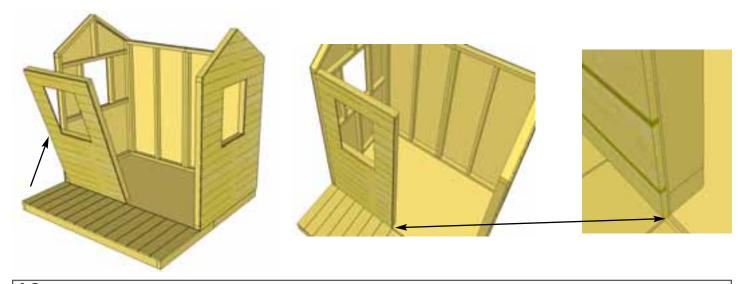
16. The top wall framing of both Solid Backwall Panels should also align with each other. With Solid Backwall Panels correctly aligned, attach vertical studs together with $3 - 2 \frac{1}{2}$ screws. Locate and position **Right Gable Side Window Wall Panel**.



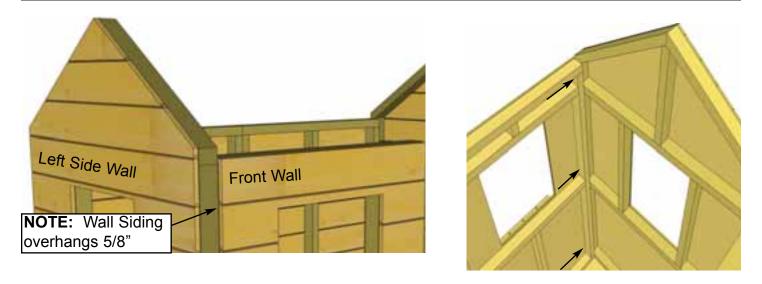




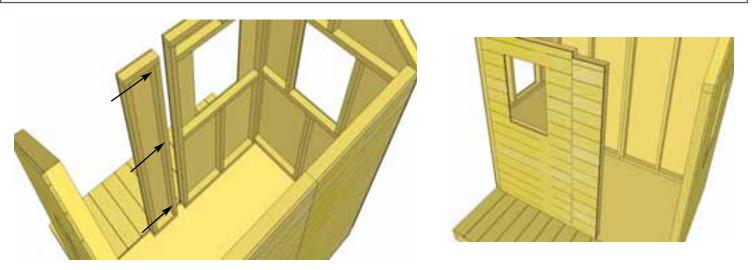
17. Align Right Gable Side Window Wall as per **Step 12**. Attach wall framing with 3 - 2 1/2" screws.



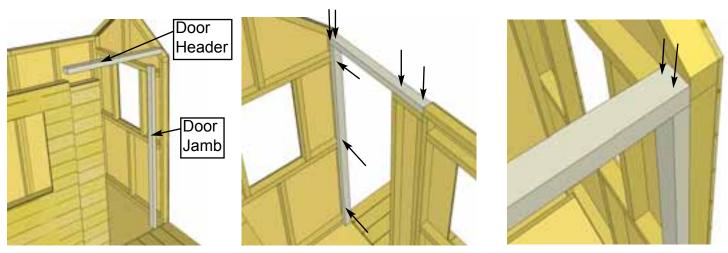
18. Position Front Window Wall Panel in the left front corner. Align bottom wall framing flush with Plywood Floor (siding overhanging once again).



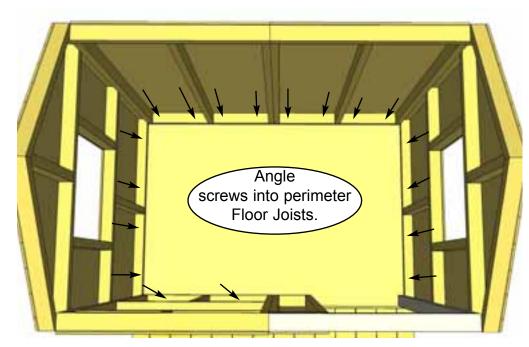
19. With Front Window Wall Panel aligned correctly, attach vertical wall studs with 3 - 2 1/2" screws.



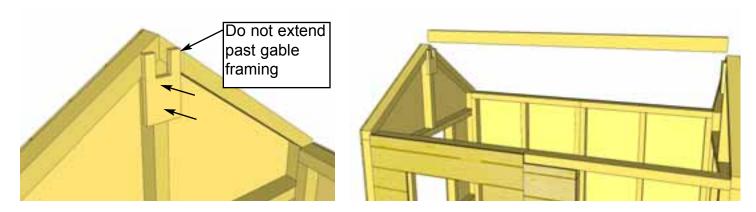
20. Position Narrow Front Wall Panel adjacent to Front Window Wall Panel. Line up vertical wall studs. NOTE: Narrow Front Wall height is only 58 1/2". Attach together with 3 - 2 1/2" screws.



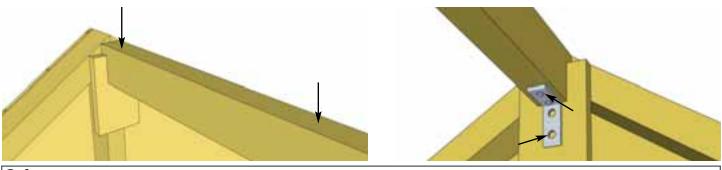
21. Attach the **Right Side Door Jamb** to Right Side Gable Window Wall Panel stud. Make sure Door Jamb is flush with floor and flush with wall stud. Use 3 - 2 1/2" screws to secure. Next, attach the **Door Header** to Door Jamb and Top Plate of Narrow Wall. Use 4 - 2 1/2" screws to secure.



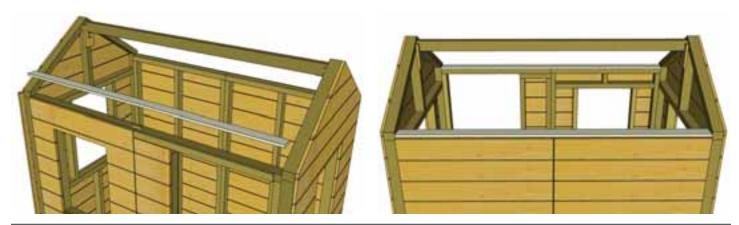
22. Before fastening walls to floor, check wall alignment. Once again, the 2x3 bottom wall framing should sit flush on outside of floor with wall siding overhanging by 1/2". When positioned correctly, attach walls to floor with 4 - 2 1/2" screws per panel. Screw from bottom wall framing into floor. IMPORTANT: Check door opening measurement at top and bottom. It should be 23 1/2".



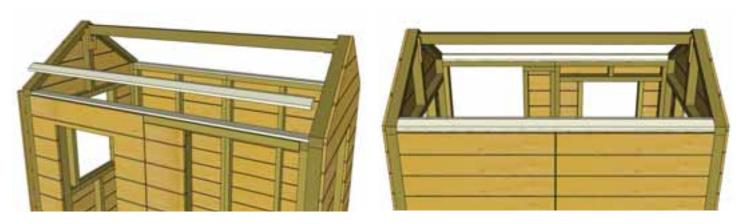
23. Locate and attach **Plywood Ridge Beam Supports** to gable peaks with 2 - 1 1/4" screws. Place **Roof Ridge Beam** between gables into Ridge Beam Support pocket.



24. Push Roof Ridge Beam down into support pocket, making sure beam does not extend higher than gable framing. Attach with two Simpson Strong Ties using 4 - 1 1/4" screws per side.



25. Locate both **Top Plates** and place on front and rear walls. Attach with 6 - 2" **Screws**.

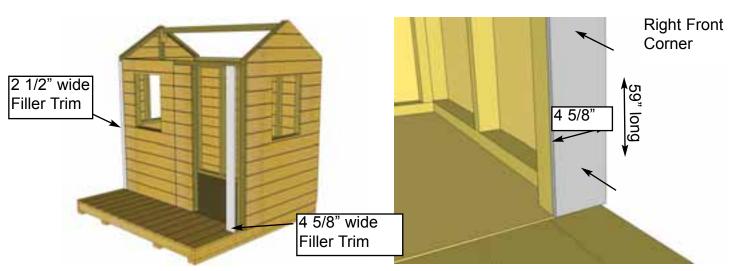


26. Locate both **Top Angled Plates** and place on Top Plates. Attach with 6 - 2" **Screws**.

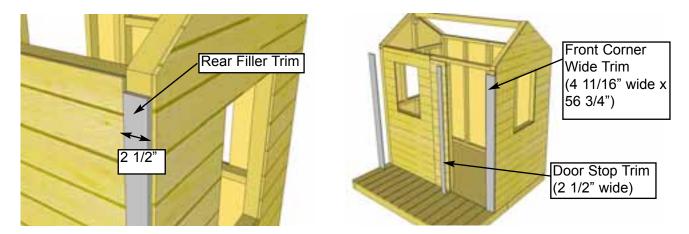
C. Porch Section



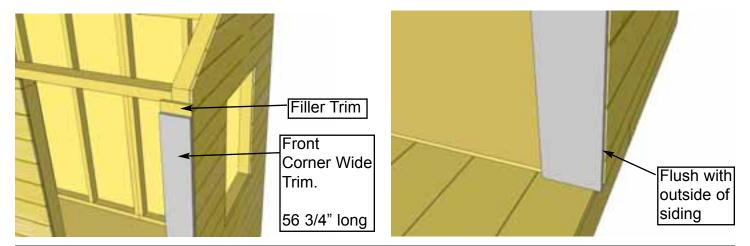
27. Check the wall seams for visible gaps prior to attaching filler trim and apply caulk where needed. Caulking gaps will help prevent moisture from entering and will help the longevity of your shed. **Caulking not included in kit.**



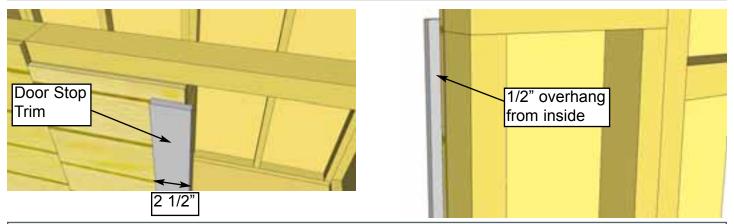
28. Locate all **Corner Filler Trims**. Filler Trims will be positioned in each corner. Filler Trims are 2 1/2" wide x 5/8" thick except for the **Right Front Corner**, which will be **4 5/8" wide x 5/8" Thick**. Attach each with 6 - finishing nails.



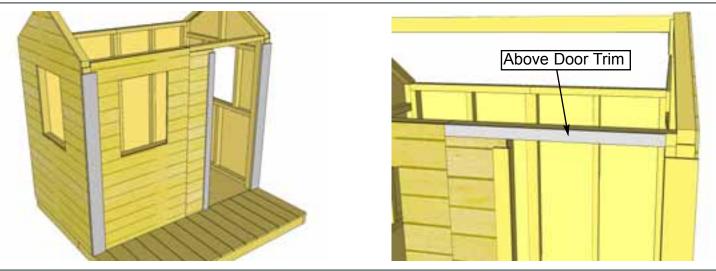
29. Attach Rear Corner Filler Trims (both are 2 1/2" wide x 5/8" thick) using 6 finishing nails per piece. Locate Front Corner Wide Trim (4 5/8" wide x 56 3/4") and Door Stop Trim.



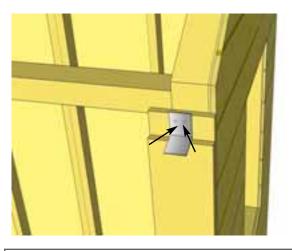
30. Attach both **Outside Front Corner Wide Trims** with 6 finishing nails per piece. Align flush with outside of wall siding. Complete **Rear Corner Wide Trims** as per front. **NOTE: Rear Corner Wide Trims** are 64" long.

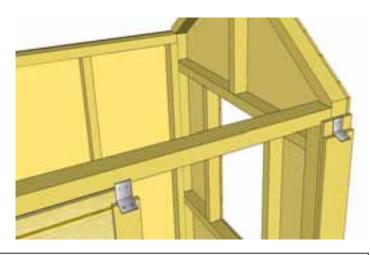


31. Attach **Door Stop Trim** to left side of door opening with 6 finishing nails. Position trim so it overhangs vertical framing 1/2" on inside.

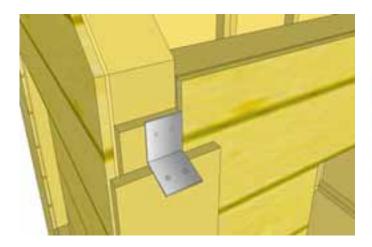


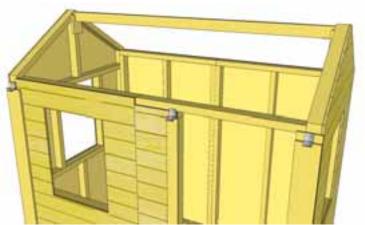
32. To complete Porch Trim, attach the **Left Side Corner Trim** over the Left Side Filler Piece. Position so Corner Trim is flush to the outside of the siding on the outside and flush to the floor. When positioned correctly, secure with 6 finishing nails. Attach **Above Door Trim** on Door Header with 4 finishing nails.



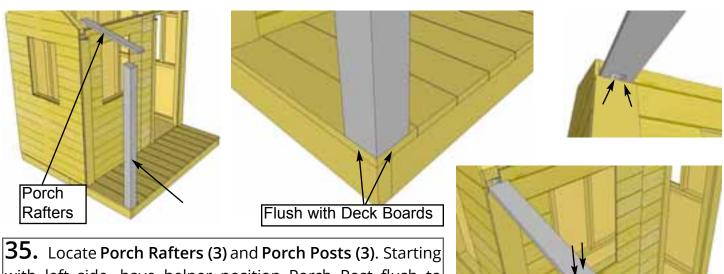


33. Attach a **Simpson Strong Tie** to Right Filler Trim with 2 - 1 1/4" screws. Make sure Tie is evenly positioned and sitting on the Front Corner Wide Trim. Attach second Simpson Strong Tie on top of Door Stop Trim. Equally space Tie on Trim and screw directly into Wall Panel/Door Header.

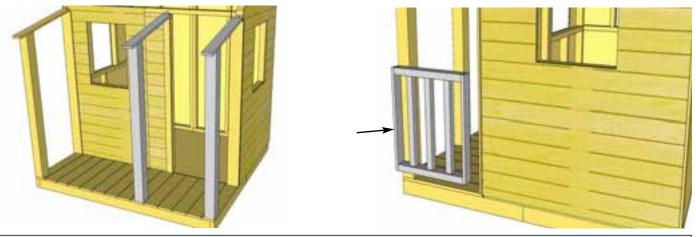




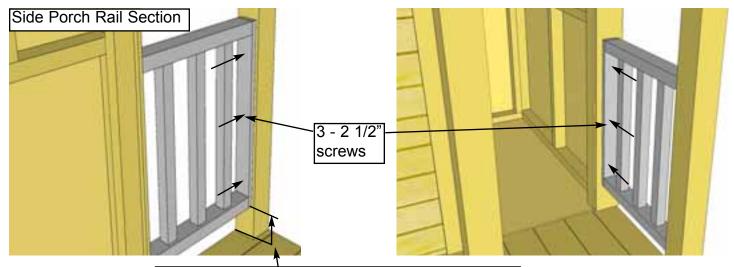
34. Complete Left Side Simpson Strong Tie attachment as shown above using 2 - 1 1/4" screws. Once again, equally space Tie on Front Corner Wide Trim. **IMPORTANT**: Be careful of protruding Simpson Strong Ties until **Step 33** is completed.



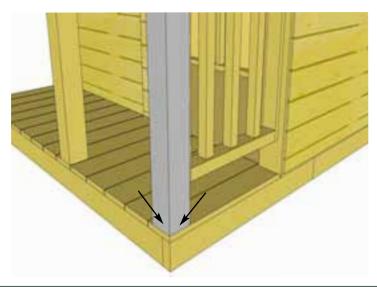
35. Locate **Porch Rafters (3)** and **Porch Posts (3)**. Starting with left side, have helper position Porch Post flush to outside of Deck Boards in corner. Position Porch Rafter on Strong Tie and attach from underneath with 2 - 3/4" screws. Use level to square Porch Post and attach Porch Rafter from top into Porch Post with 2 - 2" screws.



36. Complete all three Porch Rafter/Post assemblies as per **Step 35**.



Rail should be positioned 3 1/2" from floor. Use Rail Support Block from **Step 49** to confirm height.



37. Position **Side Porch Rail** on the Porch Post 3 1/2" up from the floor. Attach to Porch Post with 3 - 2 1/2" screws making sure to position Rail evenly on Porch Post. Attach Porch Rail to Corner Wide Trim with 3 - 2 1/2" screws, once again aligning evenly on Corner Trim. Secure Porch Posts to floor by toe-nailing or angle screwing 4 - 2 1/2" screws on an angle from Porch Post into Floor. Drill pilot holes to prevent wood from splitting. Porch Post should sit flush with outside of Deck Boards (some variation may occur).





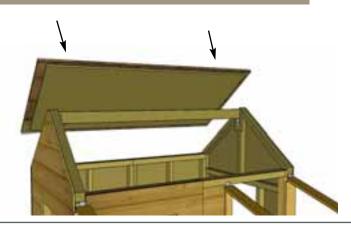
38. Position and attach Front and Left Side Porch Railing as in Step 34. Use a level to confirm both Railing and Porch Posts are square. If building a Little Squirt Playhouse with Elevated Platform for Sandbox, DO NOT INSTALL Left Side Porch Railing.

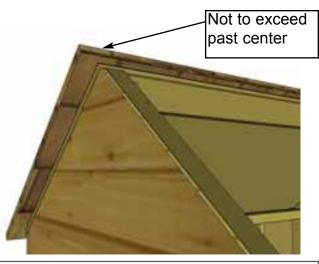
IMPORTANT:

Do not install Left Side Porch Railing on Kits with Elevated Platform for Sandbox.

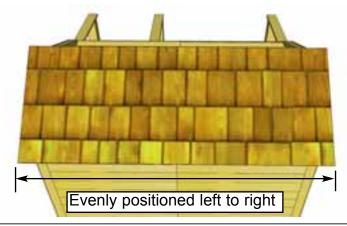


D. Roof Section





39. Starting at the rear, locate one of the **Roof Panels** (Roof Panels are all identical). Place on Gable Wall framing evenly from left to right. At top, Roof Panel should not exceed past the center of apex.

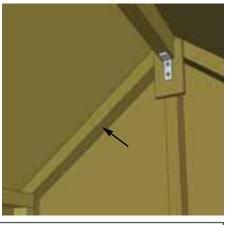




40. With Rear Roof Panel evenly positioned on Gable Walls, tack Roof Panel down to framing from the inside with $3 - 2 \frac{1}{2}$ screws per side (tack = don't screw completely, roof may need adjusting later).

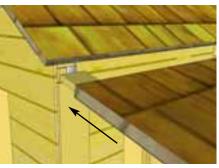


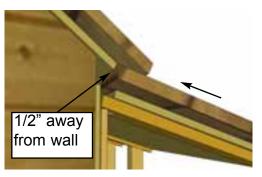




41. Position second Roof Panel evenly on front Gable Framing. Tack down with only 2 - 2 1/2" screws. Porch Roof may need to slide under Roof Panel and some play is required before completely securing.

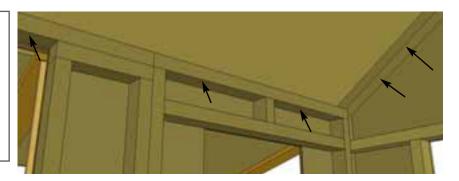


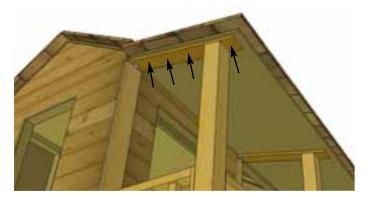


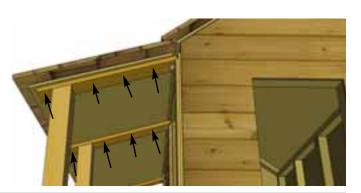


42. Place Porch Roof on Porch Rafters and slide up under Front Roof Panel until 1/2" away from playhouse wall. Make sure Porch Roof is evenly positioned from left to right.

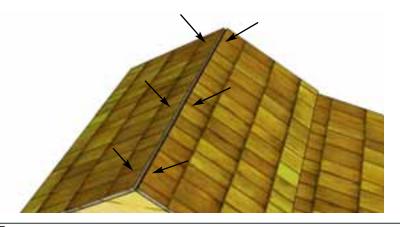
43. From the inside of playhouse, complete securing the Front and Rear Roof Panels that were previously tacked down in **Steps 39-40**. Place an additional 4 - 2 1/2" screws per side from top wall framing on an angle up into roof plywood.







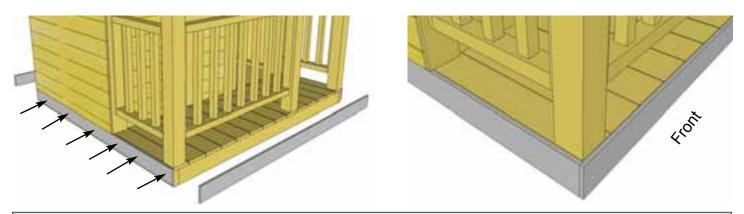
44. Using 2" screws, secure Porch Roof Panel to each Porch Rafter from underneath.



IMPORTANT: Make sure screws are angled so they are concealed completely into the Ridge Beam. Exposed screws could seriously harm a child or adult while standing up inside unit. Do a physical inspection inside the playhouse for all exposed screws and remove as required at this point.

45. To complete Roof Section, attach Front and Rear Roof Panels from the top into the Roof Ridge Beam with 3 - 2 1/2" screws per panel.

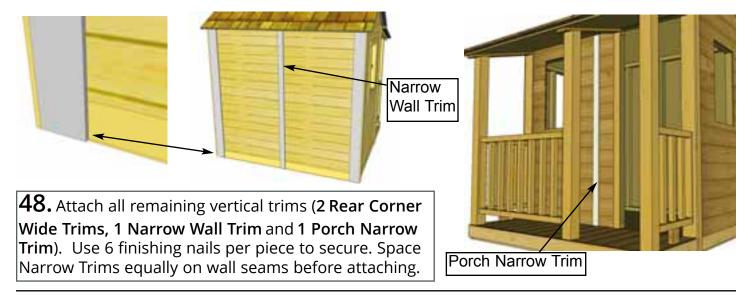
E. Miscellaneous Section



46. Attach **Bottom Skirting** around the base of the playhouse. There are **Front** and **Rear Skirting** pieces 76" long and **Side Skirting** pieces 70" long. Starting with Side Skirting, attach with 6 - 1 1/2" nails per piece. Position flush underneath Wall Siding. Complete Front and Rear Skirting with 6 nails also.



47. Attach **Narrow Wall Trims** on both Gable Side Window Wall Panels using 6 finishing nails per piece. Position Narrow Wall Trim so it caps Wide Trim. See **Step 45** for rear detail.



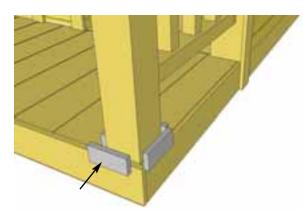




49. Position **Side Facia Trims** on ends of roof plywood. Align tight against underside of shingles so both Side Facia Trims meet evenly at the peak. Attach to end of plywood with 4 finishing nails per piece.

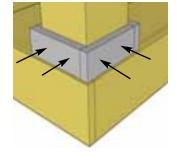


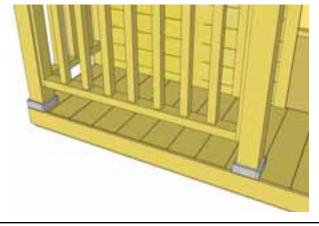
50. Position **Porch Facia Trims** on ends of Porch roof plywood. Align tight against shingles. Attach with 4 finishing nails per piece.

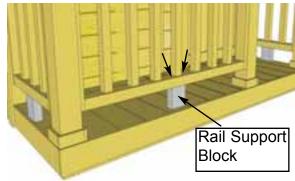


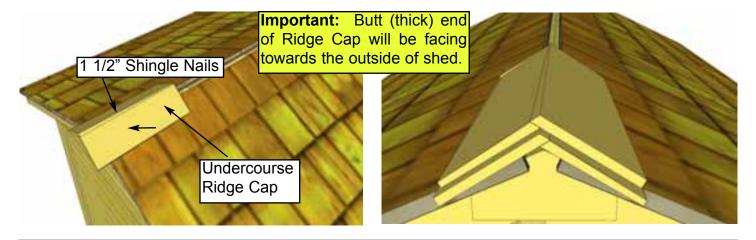
51. Locate **Porch Post Base Trims** (4 per Post) and position in a windmill fashion around the base of the posts.

52. Attach Porch Post Base Trims with 2 finishing nails per piece. Complete all Porch Post Base Trims around all Porch Posts. Place **Rail Support Block** (1 1/2" x 3 1/2" x 3 1/2") centered below each Handrail section. Screw down from the bottom rail into the Block with 2- 2" screws per piece.

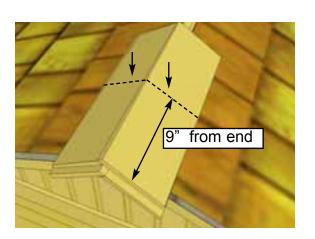


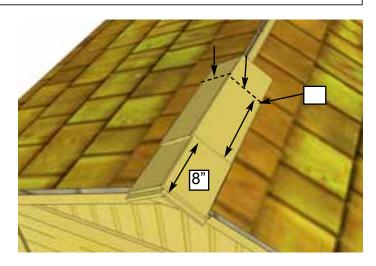




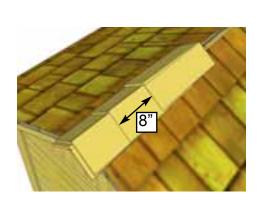


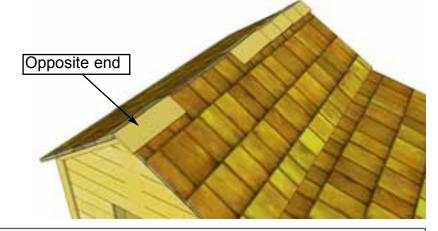
53. Place First Roof Ridge Cap on roof peak (Undercourse Cap) overhanging shingles by approximately 1". Attach with 2 - 1 1/2" Shingle Nails. Place 2nd Ridge Cap 1" back from 1st cap.



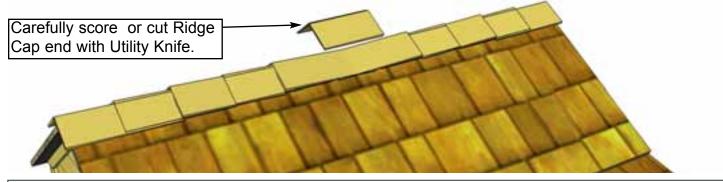


54. Attach 2nd Ridge Cap 9" from Ridge Cap end with 2 - 1 1/2" Shingle nails. Place 3rd Ridge Cap 8" back from 2nd (enough to cover shingle nails). Attach 3rd Ridge Cap 9" from end as per previous Ridge Cap.

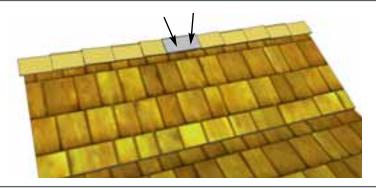




55. Position and attach 4th Ridge Cap as described above. Continue to position and attach Ridge Caps until half of roof is complete. Starting from opposite end, continue to position and attach Ridge Caps as per **Steps 50-51**.



56. Score/cut 1 Ridge Cap to 12" or to fit in the center of roof.



57. Attach center Ridge Cap with 4 - 1 1/2" Shingle Nails.

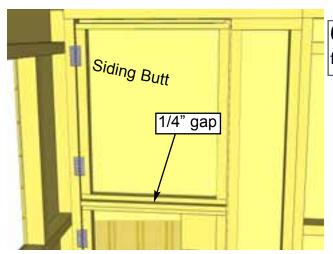


58. Position **Bottom Door Panel** in door opening. Framing of door should be flush with Door Jamb. Leave a 1/4" gap between floor and Bottom Door.



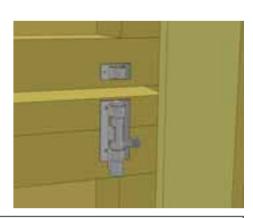


59. With Bottom Door correctly positioned, attach **Hinges** to Door Jamb and Door Framing with 3/4" Silver Screws. Before completely securing all screws, check door alignment by opening and closing door. Adjust hinges as necessary.

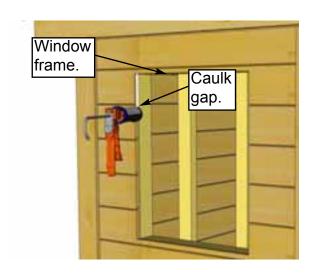


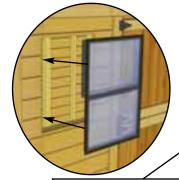
60. To attach **Top Door**, follow same procedure as for Bottom Door. Leave 1/4" gap between doors.



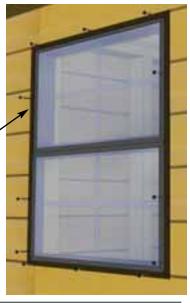


61. Attach **Door Handle** with 3/4" Black Screws and **Interior Barrel Bolt** with 3/4" Silver Screws. Handle is positioned on bottom door. Interior Barrel Bolt (silver) to door studs on the inside of Top and Bottom Doors. **Important:** Drill shallow pilot holes with 1/8" drill bit prior to securing with screws to prevent wood splitting.

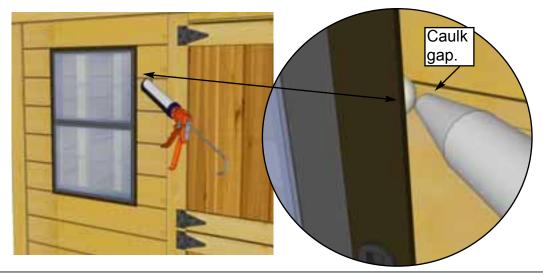




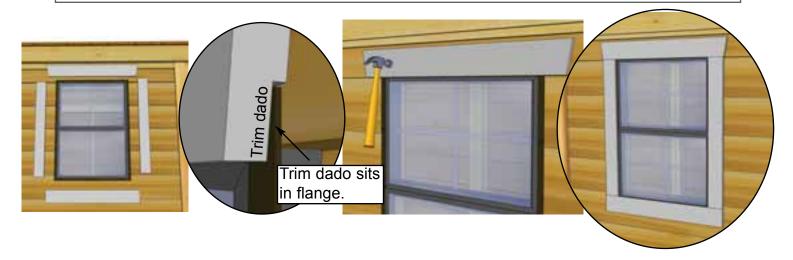
Screw insert into thick part of siding.



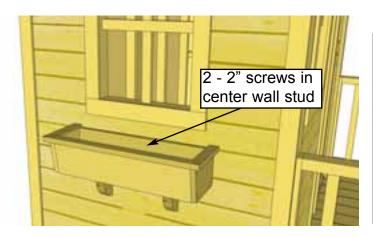
62. To reduce possible water from penetrating into the window cavity, caulk gap on both sides of window opening prior to installing **Window Insert.** Position insert in cavity and screw with **6 - 1 1/4" Screws**.



63. Once Insert is attached, caulk the "channel gap" between the Insert's outside flange and the siding. Also put a bead of caulking horizontally at top of window where the flange and siding meet. This additional caulking will also will reduce the chances of moisture entering into your shed.



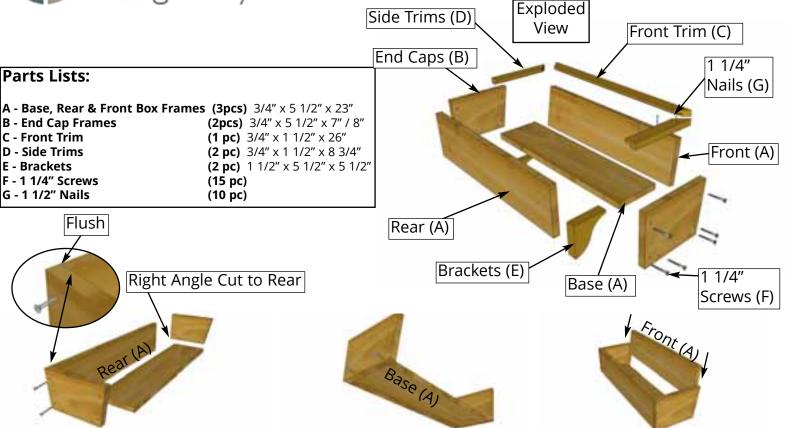
64. Position **Window Trim** around window doing a dry run first and attach with **4 - 1 1/2" Finishing Nails** per piece. Window trim has a small dado on reverse face. Outside flange of window will roughly sit in the dado to give a better fit.



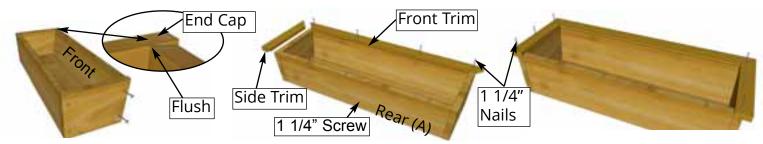
65. Assemble **Flower Box** Kits with the Assembly Instructions included on Page 25. Position completed Flower Box below bottom of window trim and secure with 2 - 2" screws per box. Screw from inside of box into the center wall stud. Attach second screw 2" underneath first screw and once again into the wall stud. Install Flower Box Kits underneath both side windows.



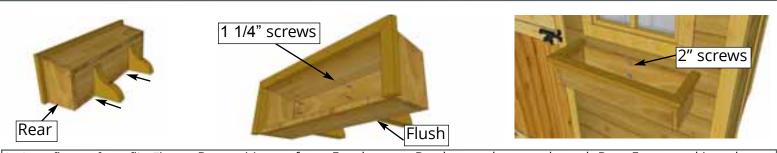
Outdoor Living Today Flower Box Assembly Instructions



1. On a table position Rear Box and End Cap Frames together so flush at top. Fasten together with 2 - 1 1/4" screws. Place Base Frame tight against Rear and End Cap and flush at bottom. Secure with 2 - 1 1/4" screws. Complete attachment of remaining End Cap Frame. Slide Front Frame between End Caps.



2. Position Front Frame Piece flush with End Cap. Attach both ends with 2 - 1 1/4" screws. Pilot hole Rear Box Frame near bottom center and secure to Base edge with 1 - 1 1/4" screw. Evenly position Front Trim (mitre cut on end and dado cut on inside bottom) tight against front frame and nail down with 4 - 1 1/4" nails. Position Side Trims as per Front and secure with 3 - 1 1/4" nails per side.



3. On a flat surface, flip Flower Box on it's rear face. Evenly space Brackets and secure through Base Frame and into the Brackets with 2 - 1 1/4" screws per Bracket. Position completed Flower Box beneath window trim and screw from inside of box into the center wall stud with 2 - 2" screws. (2" screws supplied with Base Kit.)



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