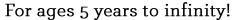


## Dainty DIY House

## **Assembly Instructions**





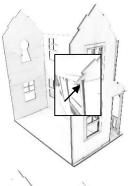
Your Dainty DIY House kit includes the ten pieces below. All you'll need is some glue, Elmers or a faster drying wood glue, a flat surface, about 15 minutes and some imagination for how you'll decorate your new dollhouse. You might even consider assembling it first without glue to gather ideas and do some painting or decorating before final assembly.





**Step 1.** Your Dainty DIY house uses tabs that insert into tab holes for sturdy construction. It's important you apply glue to the edges that will touch each other when pieces are assembled. Try putting a few pieces together first without glue so you get the hang of it. Most often, this is the darker brown cut edge or the sides of a tab that will touch the inside of a tab hole.

Let's get started! Apply glue to the bottom edge of the Front; that's the edge beneath the front door. Be sure to get some glue on the sides of the tabs. Now insert the Front into the Base; either side of the base can face up. Next, glue up the four small tabs at the base of the Porch and insert into the Base. This will be little wobbly until you add more pieces so don't stop here!



**Step 2.** Installing your Sides is a snap! Let's install one at a time; the keyhole window will be on your right if you are looking at the front of the house. Glue up the large tab at the base, and apply a thin layer of glue to the cut edge that will join with the Front. This cut edge goes below and above the porch roof. Install the Sides with care so the porch roof support hooks over the Porch as seen at the arrow in the inset image. Now install the second opposite Side; installing the porch roof next will hold up the Sides.



**Step 3.** The Porch Roof has an important job other than keeping the rain off your dolls in the Spring; it helps hold up and center the Front and Walls. Apply glue to the cut edge of both Sides that extends forward and will support the Porch Roof. You can put a little glue on the top cut edge of the Porch where the Porch Roof will rest on the porch. With the recess facing the house, slip the edges of Porch Roof around the Sides and lock it into the tabs on either side. No rain on this front porch!



**Step 4.** Glue your Wall to your Floor before installing in the house. These two pieces connect by sliding the Floor opening into the Wall opening. Be sure to get a thin layer of glue on the cut edges of these openings before sliding the Floor all the way into the Wall as shown here.



**Step 5.** Now let's install the Floor and Wall you just glued into the Dainty DIY House. Apply a thin layer of glue to cut edge that will contact the bottom of the Porch Roof, and extend this up the vertical cut edge of the Wall that will contact the Front. Also, put a thin layer of glue on the cut edges and small tab that will connect with Sides. You will see an opening on the Front, just beneath the porch roof, that receives these pieces. Slide the Wall/Floor in with care to seat small tabs into the tab cutouts on the rear edge of Sides.



**Step 6.** You're almost DIY Done! Next let's install the Main roof pieces. The smaller 'C' shaped piece goes on first facing the open rear of the house. Glue the cut edges of the Sides and even a sliver of the Wall where a thin section of roof will contact the Wall. After the 'C' shaped piece is installed, apply a thin layer of glue to all three (sides and wall) cut edges that will contact the Roof. Let's also put some glue on the long upper cut edge of the 'C' piece that will contact the long edge of the large roof piece. This is where both 'C' and large main Roof pieces meet along the peak.

Having trouble keeping the seems tight so the glue can dry hard? Use a rubber band horizontally <u>around</u> the house to hold the Sides in, or use two rubber bands spaced apart vertically over the house to hold the main roof pieces down tight while it dries. Another hint – once glue is dry from this assembly you can add a little more glue to reinforce these joints.

You DIY did it! Don't stop there because now the fun really begins. Visit **HopeHousesWorkshop.com** to join the Key Holder's Club where Imagene, the imagination angel, will help Unlock Your Imagination. Take your DIY dollhouse improvement to a new level with creative, easy, upcycled furnishing and décor projects. A coffee creamer becomes a LAMP, a butter tub becomes a BATH TUB.

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