

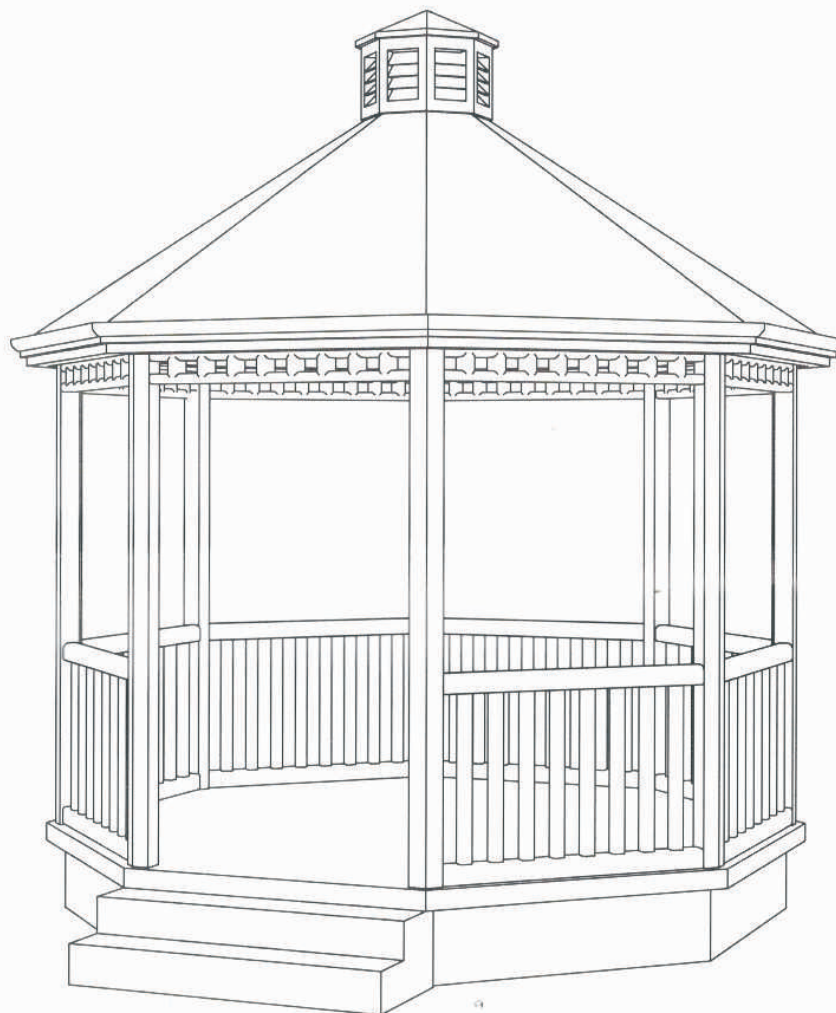
The Dolls House Emporium

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GAZEBO 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 call our customer service number 0845 434 9202 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 0845 434 9202 and we will be pleased to answer any queries.

It is not recommended to keep your doll's house in a conservatory - due to the extremes of temperature.

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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 so that the instructions are fully understood. 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.

GLUING TIPS

PVA wood glue is supplied in the kit. It is advised that PVA is used to glue larger parts, such as the carcase and superglue is used for smaller painted parts.

PVA: Always shake PVA before use. Apply plenty of glue in a zig zag motion down the groove and ensure the glue is evenly spread. When using PVA to join painted surfaces, an ideal bond can be achieved by sanding to create a key on the two parts that are to be joined. Excess glue should be wiped away using a damp cloth.

Superglue: When gluing parts onto painted surfaces, we recommend using the superglue. If superglue doesn'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 doesn'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

To get the best results, seal the MDF parts with an MDF sealer (available from DIY outlets) or 50/50 water and PVA before painting and decorating. Oil based matt finish is ideal, applied with a small foam 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**
Country Store, Queen Anne, Priory & Fairbanks Cream Eggshell: **BS 10 C 31**
Kate's Cottage & Malibu Beach House White: **BS 08 B 15**
Mornington Mews Lavender: **BS 05 9 33**
Mornington Mews & Mackintosh White: **BS 10 B 15**

Paints can be obtained from:
Trimite 01895 251234
Dulux 01753 550555
Crown/Brolac 01254 704951
or your local decorators' merchant

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

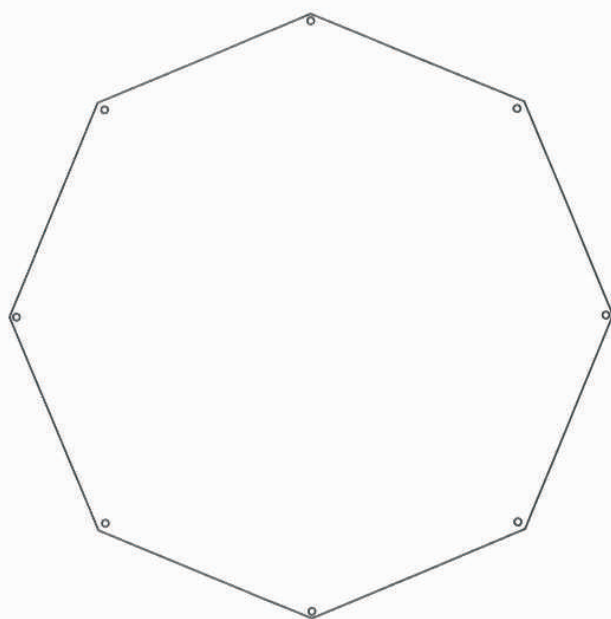
Check the walls for any lumps and bumps before papering. Allow minimal overlap when cutting wallpaper. This will make the job of applying it much easier. In fact, if skirting boards and/or coving are to be fitted, no overlap is necessary. It is often easier to decorate the house with it lying on its 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.

To achieve an ideal bond first size walls with a 50/50 water and PVA glue mix, then when this is dry, put on the wallpaper as usual with wallpaper paste. If panels are painted then an ideal bond is achieved by lightly sanding the shiny finish (to give a little more key to the surface) before sizing and wallpapering. 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.



GAZEBO KIT PARTS (not to scale)

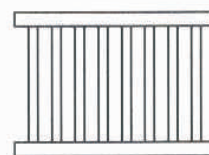
When requesting a missing or damaged part please prefix part number with 6045.



A2 Base Panel



A1 Stilt (x8)



A5 Railing (x7)



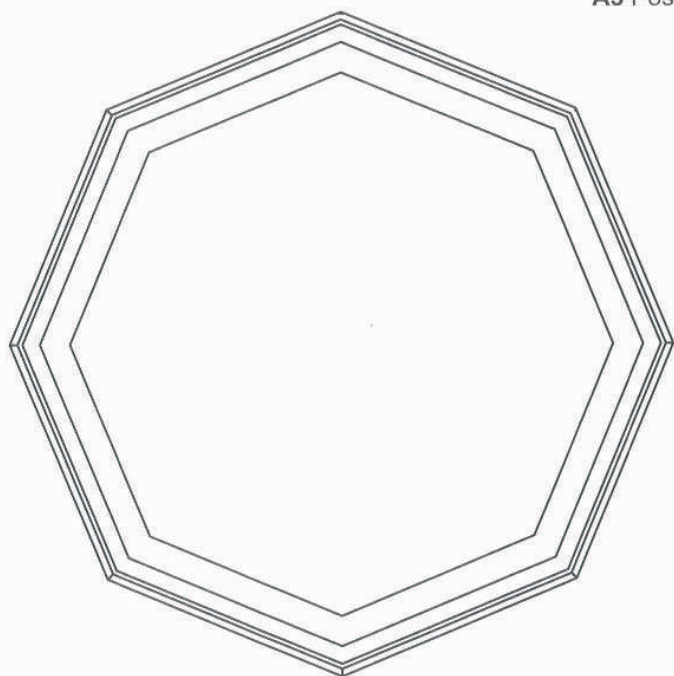
A6 Roof Decoration (x8)



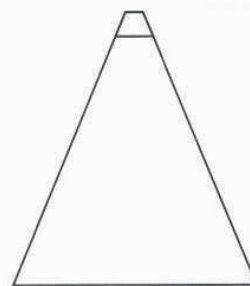
A4 Dowel (x8)



A3 Post (x8)



A8 Roof Support



A7 Roof (x8)



A9 Cupola



A10 Steps



CONSTRUCTION

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Dry build your kit now using masking tape.

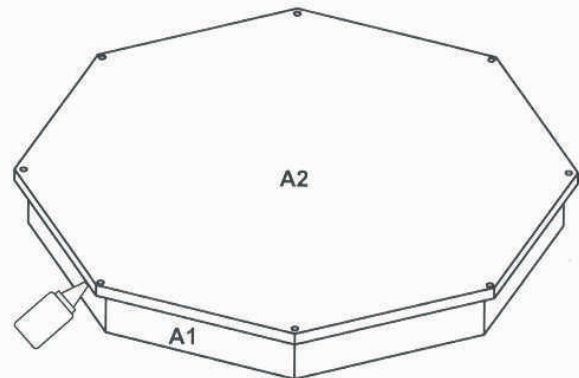
NB: Whilst you dry build the kit, it is an ideal time to mark the panels and parts (lightly with pencil) that you wish to paint or treat before construction.

Happy building !

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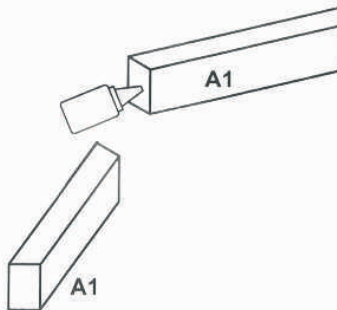
Apply glue to the top of Stilts (A1) and position the Base Panel (A2) on top. Ensure the 8 circular holes on A2 face upwards.



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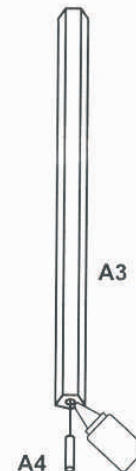
Apply glue to the edges of 8 x A1 Stilt pieces and assemble to form a hexagon.



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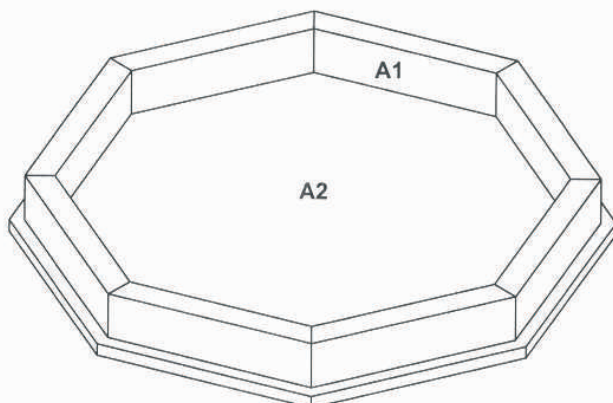


Assemble the Dowel pieces to the Posts by applying glue to the hole in the base of A3 Posts and inserting the A4 Dowel.



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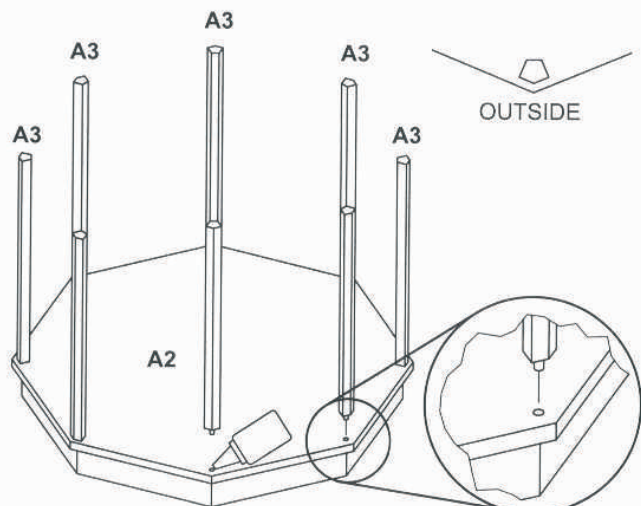
Position A1 pieces on top of the Base Panel (A2) to check they are all aligned appropriately. Allow time to dry before continuing.



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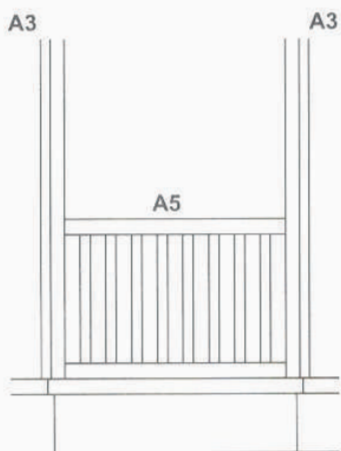
Apply glue to the holes in the Base Panel (A2) and position the Dowel and Post as shown.



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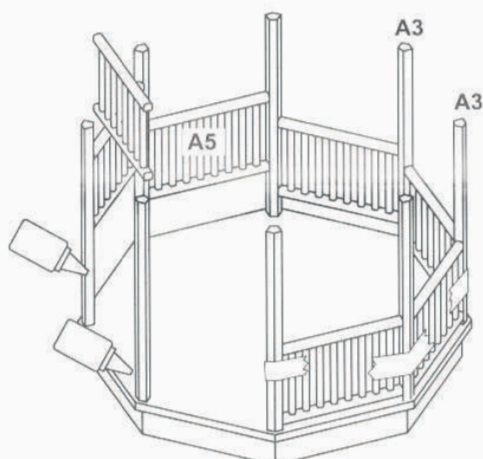
Locate the Railings (A5) as shown.



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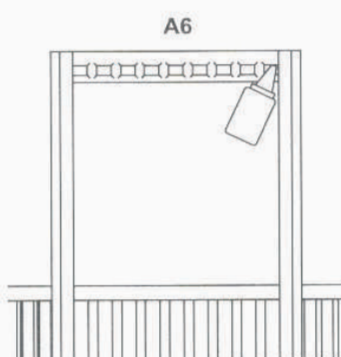
Apply glue to the Posts (A3) and position 7 x Railings (A5). Hold in place with masking tape until dry.



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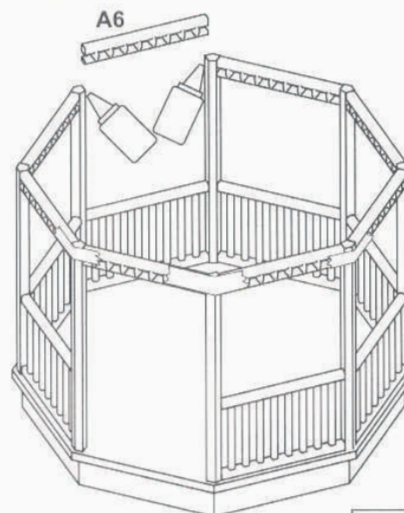
Locate the Decoration (A6) as shown.



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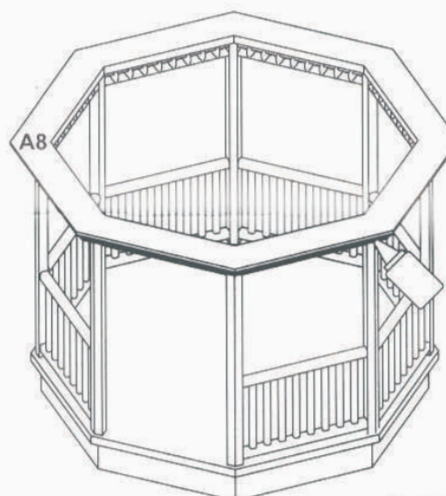
Apply glue to the Posts (A3) and position 8 x Decoration (A6). Hold in place with masking tape until dry.



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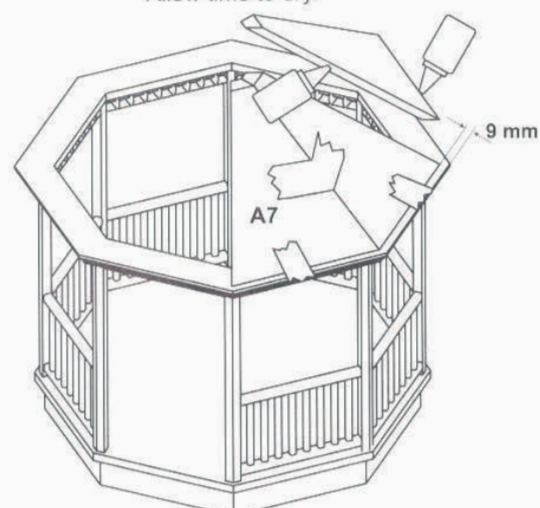
Apply glue to the top of Posts (A3) and position Roof Support (A8) as shown.



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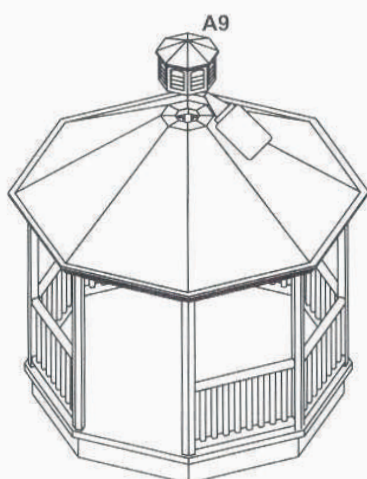
Using tape to secure, carefully glue and position the Roof panels (A7) as shown. Allow time to dry.



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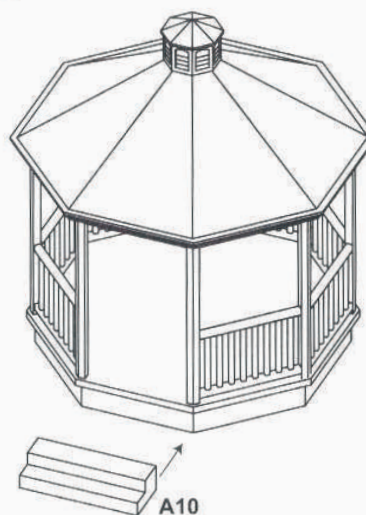
Apply glue to the base of Cupola **A9** and position as shown.



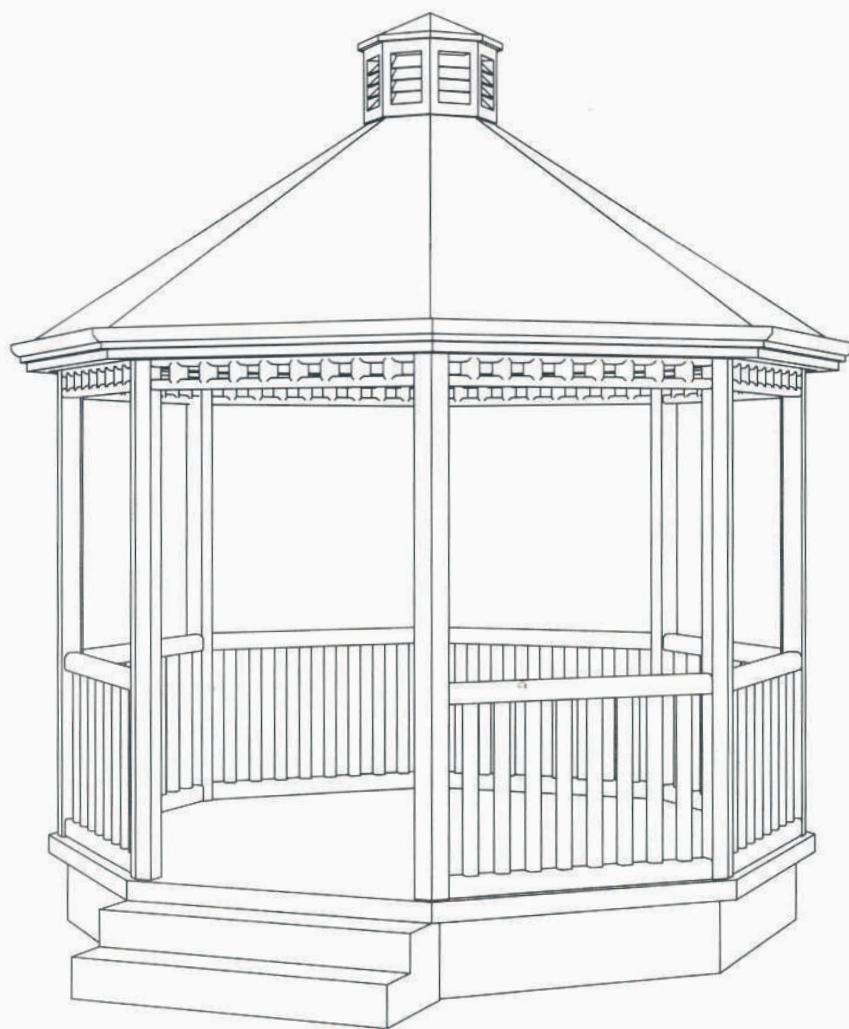
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Apply glue to Steps (**A10**) and locate as shown.



CONGRATULATIONS! YOU HAVE NOW COMPLETED YOUR GAZEBO.



WE HOPE YOU ARE PLEASED WITH THE RESULT.

