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Corona Concepts presents

The Creekside Cabin  
All Wood Dollhouse



# Instructions and Assembly Guide

# Introduction

## In Short . . .

Welcome to the exciting world of dollhouses and miniatures. Since the first tab and slot die-cut dollhouse kits arrived on the scene in the mid 1970's, their design and styling concepts have evolved swiftly. However, complexity of construction has always accompanied the great design and styling.

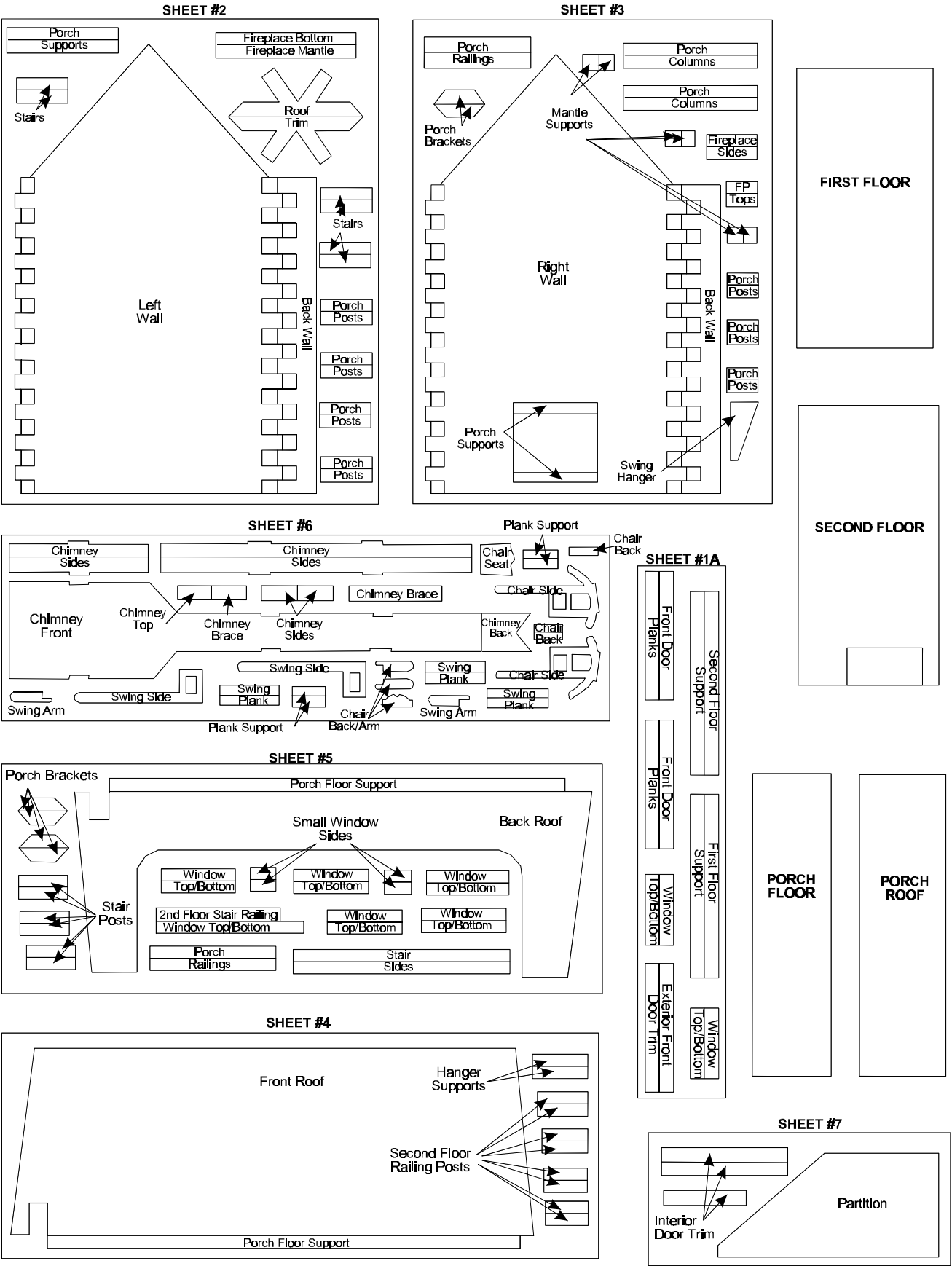
As pioneers in the early days of the die-cut dollhouse industry, the designers for Corona Concepts have utilized a simpler method for building dollhouses. This kit has been designed with efficiency in mind. It has fewer complicated interlocking parts, while retaining the detail and realism necessary in the miniature industry.

We feel you will find that this kit will be an enjoyable and rewarding project. If you are just beginning to discover the wonderful world of miniatures, we hope that the simplicity of this kit will be a pleasant introduction to the craft. If you are an experienced veteran, we hope you will appreciate the simple, straight forward construction and design.

Before beginning assembly, please read through all of the instructions carefully. There are tips and suggestions to aid you in assembly. By becoming familiar with the steps involved and the contents of the kit, the assembly process will become a rewarding experience and the end product will be one you can be justly proud of.

If you should have any questions or comments during the construction of your Creekside Cabin, do not hesitate to call us at (800) 253-7150. We are here to answer all of your questions as well as to hear your comments about our product. Feedback from you, the customer, is our only indication of how we're doing our job.

Have fun and thank you for purchasing our product!



L) ASSEMBLY OF ROOF

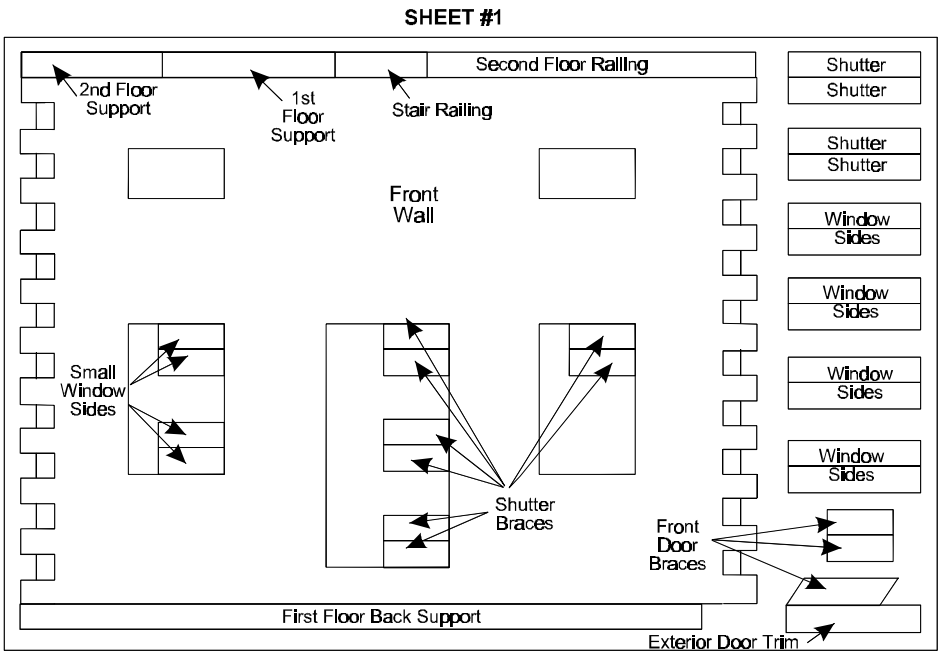
- ✂ R&P front roof from sheet #4 and the back roof from sheet #5.
- ✂ R&P two roof trim pieces from sheet #2.

1. Position and glue the back roof on first. Be sure the chimney opening is on the same end of the house as the fireplace wall.
2. Position and glue the front roof. The front roof will overlap the back roof at the top. Be sure the chimney opening is on the same end of the house as the fireplace wall.



M) LET’S FINISH UP!

1. Slide the chimney assembly into position up through the opening in the roof. Center the assembly over the opening in the side wall and glue into place. Position and glue the chimney back to the backside of the chimney at the top.
2. Position the roof trim pieces in the peaks of each end of the roofs and glue. Use photo as a guide.
3. If you choose to use the second floor partition from sheet #7, remove and prepare it, position it where you would like it and glue it into place.
4. Position the swing and the rocking chair where you would like them and glue into place.



Before You Begin

THIS KIT CONTAINS:

- ♦ Twelve pre-cut wood sheets
- ♦ One set of instructions
- ♦ One set of schematic diagrams

ITEMS YOU NEED TO SUPPLY

- ♦ Lead pencil and eraser
- ♦ Emery board
- ♦ Newspapers or other drop cloth
- ♦ Extra sandpaper
- ♦ Ruler or other straight edge
- ♦ Wood filler
- ♦ Stiff bristled brush
- ♦ Glue ( We recommend that you use a hot melt glue gun and glue sticks. You can assemble the house with white or household glue, however items will need to be clamped or otherwise held tight while the glue dries. This slows down overall construction time considerably.)

Hot melt glue and glue guns  
may be found at your local  
hardware or craft store!

Tips for Success!

1. Save the kit box as a safe "nest " for the wood sheets until all the parts have been removed from them. Also the photos on the outside of the box may be useful as a reference tool.
2. Set your work area up on a large flat surface with all of your supplies at hand. Consider an area that does not have to be "cleared" every day. Your project will take some time and if assemblies can remain in place until the paint or glue dries, it will be to your advantage.
3. Follow the instructions in order! Do NOT jump ahead or reverse the order of assembly.
4. Only remove parts from the pre-cut wood sheets as they are called for in the instructions. If there are parts that for any reason are removed from the sheet but not called for yet, write the sheet number on the cut out and re-file or tape the piece to the rest of that sheet.
5. When removing pieces from the pre-cut sheets, do so with extreme care. Some of these items are very detailed and somewhat fragile.
6. The schematic diagrams are labeled with the sheet number, part's names, part's orientation (i.e., left, right, interior, exterior, etc.). It is helpful to write in pencil, this information on the pieces before removing them from the sheets. All markings can easily be erased later.

A well lit work area will  
work best!

Empty cans or containers will help keep things organized.

A foam brush works best for staining!

7. The instructions contain some abbreviations and terms which you will need to become familiar with:
- ♦ **R&P** - (Remove & Prepare) This means to remove the specified part from the sheet by carefully punching the piece out from the front to the back of the sheet. Prepare the piece by carefully sanding any rough edges and painting, staining, or otherwise decorating as desired.

♦ **Face Up** - means laying the item down with the smooth side up.

♦ **Face Down** - means laying the item down with the smooth side down.

♦ **Front** - the front of any sheet is that side which is smooth and the die cut lines are clearly visible.
8. Always "dry fit" parts before gluing.
9. If staining, stain first, let dry, then proceed. If painting, do not paint tabs or inside of slots. Painting these areas will not allow the parts to fit together properly. These areas can be touched up after assembly. Glue also tends to adhere better to wood than to a painted surface.
10. Right and left are as viewed from the front of the house unless otherwise noted in the instructions.

Finishing Touches

Finishing your dollhouse is only limited by your imagination. Paint, wallpaper, stain and stucco are only a few of the items you can be creative with.

Wood fill and primer can be very helpful. Use the wood fill to smooth joints between tabs and slots and on corner seams. Primer is recommend to prime the wood with before painting. Parts to be stained should NOT be primed.

Satin finish latex house paint will give a better result than either flat or gloss finish.

Be sure to check your local craft shop for other decorative items such as siding, floor tiles, carpet, electrification kits, furniture, etc.



J) ASSEMBLY OF PORCH RAILINGS & ROOF

- ✂ R&P porch roof which measures 6 3/4" x 25 3/8".
- ✂ R&P fourteen porch posts from sheets #3 and #4.
- ✂ R&P four porch railings from sheets #3 and #5.
- ✂ R&P four porch columns from sheet #3.
- ✂ R&P six porch column brackets from sheets #3 and #5.
- ✂ R&P one porch column support from sheet #5.

1. Begin building the porch railings by starting at the right corner of the house. Measure 3/4" from the end of the bottom log and glue into place a porch post fa ing the side of the house. Measure 3/4" from that post and glue the next post. Measure 3/4" from the second post and glue a third post. The front sides of the posts should be flush with the front side of the logs on the side wall. Position and glue one of the shorter railings across the top of these three posts. Glue a porch column flush against this railing end. Now you have turned the corner to the front.....glue four posts approximatly 7/8" apart along the porch floor moving towards the center. Glue one of the longer railings along the top of these four posts. Position and glue a porch column at the end of the railing centered and in line with the posts.

2. Repeat this process for the opposite end of the porch.

3. With the porch roof face down, position and glue the column support centered from side to side and 1" from the front side.

4. Rest the porch roof on the fourteenth log of the house and glue in place. The porch columns should rest against the front edge of the column support on the underside of the roof and should be glued in place.

5. Position and glue the porch brackets in place using the

K) FRONT DOOR AND DOOR TRIM

- ✂ R&P three pieces of exterior front door trim from sheets #1 and #1A.
- ✂ R&P three pieces of interior front door trim from sheet #7.

1. Position and glue the exterior door trim pieces flush to the door opening. Position and glue the interior door trim pieces flush to the door opening.

- ✂ R&P four door planks from sheet #1A.
- ✂ R&P three door braces from sheet #1.

2. Position and glue the four door planks side by side with top and bottom edges flush. Using the photo as a guide, position and glue the door braces to the front side of the door.

3. Glue the door into position in the front door opening.

## Assembly Instructions

### H) STAIRS AND 2<sup>ND</sup> FLOOR RAILINGS



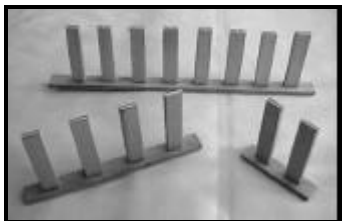
✂ R&P two stair sides from sheet #5. R&P six stair treads from sheet #2.

1. Place one of the stair sides face down. Evenly space the stair treads at a 45° angle. Glue the second stair tread on top of the treads. Use photo as guide.

2. Insert the stair assembly into place by putting down through the opening from the second floor. Push into place and glue if you so choose.

✂ R&P two stair railings – one from sheet #1 and one from sheet #5.

✂ R&P six stair railing posts from sheet #5.



3. Place the two railings face down. Equally space two of the posts on the shorter railing and glue. Equally space four posts on the longer railing and glue.

4. Invert these assemblies and glue them into place around the stair opening on the second floor.

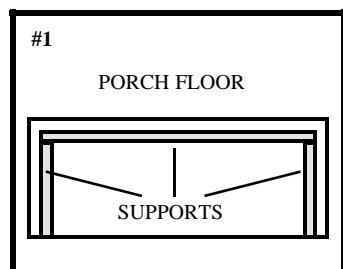
✂ R&P one second floor railing from sheet #1.

✂ R&P eight second floor railing posts from sheet #4.

5. Place the railing face down. Equally space eight posts on the railing and glue.

6. Invert this assembly and glue the end against the fireplace wall approximately 1" in from the back.

### I) ASSEMBLY OF PORCH FLOOR



✂ R&P porch floor which measures 6 1/8" x 25 3/8"

✂ R&P five porch floor supports from sheets #2, #3, and #4.

1. Place porch floor face down. Position and glue the medium length supports perpendicular to the floor, 1/4" from the edge, with one end flush with the back edge. Repeat this for the other medium length support. Position and glue the longest support perpendicular and 1/4" from the front edge, flush against the side supports.

2. Position and glue the shorter supports flush with the bottom edge of the front wall. As a guide you can place them in the area under each of the large windows. You may find it easier to perform this assembly with the house laying on its back on your work surface.

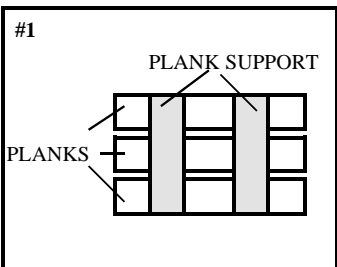
### A) ASSEMBLY OF ROCKING CHAIR



✂ R&P two chair sides, chair seat, four chair backs, and two chair arms all located on sheet #6.

1. Glue the two chair sides to the chair seat keeping front and back edges flush. Evenly space the chair backs between the chair sides, placing the curved back piece at the top and glue in position. Glue the chair arms into position.

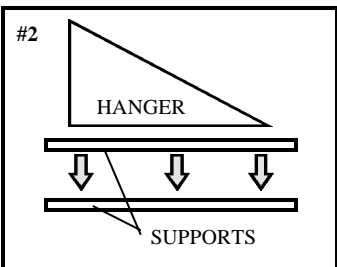
### B) ASSEMBLY OF PORCH SWING



✂ R&P two swing sides, six swing planks, four plank supports, and two swing arms located on sheet #6.

✂ R&P one swing hanger from sheet #3 and two hanger supports from sheet #4.

1. Evenly space three of the swing planks face down and glue two plank supports in place. Repeat this for the remaining three swing planks. Using one of the plank assemblies as the swing bottom, glue it to a swing side. Use the remaining plank assembly as the swing back and glue it to the swing side that has the bottom attached. Now glue the remaining swing side into place. Position and glue the swing arms in place.



2. Glue the two hanger supports together by placing one on top of the other. Center the hanger on top of the hanger supports and glue in place. This assembly is positioned between the swing sides at the very top. Position and glue.

**NOTE:** If you wish to have your swing actually operate, you will need to position the hanger with two very small nails in both sides rather than gluing it in place.

### C) ASSEMBLY OF CHIMNEY

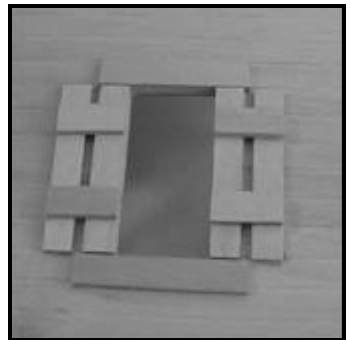
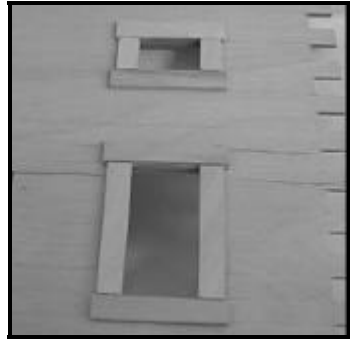


✂ R&P chimney front, six chimney sides, one chimney back, one chimney top, and two chimney braces all located on sheet #6.

1. With the chimney front face down, position and glue the two longest chimney sides to the chimney front. Next, glue the two medium length chimney sides in place and then glue the two shortest chimney sides in place.

2. Position the smallest chimney brace between the two chimney sides half way up the narrow section of the chimney. Glue the longer chimney brace 3/4" from the bottom of the chimney. Glue the chimney top between the two chimney sides at the very top.

3. Do not glue the chimney back on at this point. Set aside along with chimney assembly.



## D) WINDOW TRIM

- ✍ R&P front wall from sheet #1. When removing the front wall from sheet one, do not discard any of the  $\frac{3}{4}$ " squares. All 20 of these will be used in construction later on.
- ✍ R&P eight small window sides – four are located on sheet #1 and four are located on sheet #5.
- ✍ R&P eight large window sides located on sheet #1.
- ✍ R&P sixteen window tops/bottoms. Twelve are on sheet #5 and four are on sheet #1A.
- ✍ R&P eight shutter braces and four shutters all located on sheet #1.

1. Lay the front wall face down. Glue the window sides to each window, keeping the top and bottom edges flush with the window opening. Position the top/bottom pieces and glue. Note the top/bottom pieces over-hang the side pieces just a little. Repeat this process for all interior windows.

2. Flip the front wall over – it will now be face up. Repeat the above steps for trimming the exterior windows. In addition position a shutter parallel to the window sides with  $\frac{1}{4}$ " space between them – glue. Then position and glue the shutter braces.

## E) ASSEMBLY OF HOUSE STRUCTURE

- ✍ R&P left side of house located on sheet #2. Save all of the little  $\frac{3}{4}$ " squares – you should have 22 from this sheet and prepare them to match the outside of your house.
- ✍ R&P right side of house located on sheet #3. Save all of the little  $\frac{3}{4}$ " squares – you should have 22 from this sheet and prepare them to match the outside of your house as well.
- ✍ Prepare the 20  $\frac{3}{4}$ " squares you saved from section "D" to match the outside of your house
- ✍ R&P first floor and second floor.
- ✍ R&P first and second floor supports located on sheets #1 & #1A.



1. With the side walls face down, position and glue the first floor supports in place. Keep them flush with the bottom edge of the wall and centered from side to side. Glue the second floor supports on the thirteenth log centered from side to side.

2. With the front wall face down, position and glue the first floor support under the front door opening. Keep it flush with the bottom edge of the wall and centered under the door opening. Glue the second floor support on the thirteenth log centered above the front door opening.

3. Interlock the side walls with the front wall. The openings for the interlock will be tight. You may find that it will be necessary to sand the openings slightly to ease the interlock



4. Now you will glue the  $\frac{3}{4}$ " squares or "log ends" onto the **backside** of each log that extends out past the interlock. Each  $\frac{3}{4}$ " square should be flush with the log you are gluing it to. This forces the side wall tight to the front wall and eliminates the need to actually glue the walls together.

5. Slide the first floor into position over top of the first floor supports – glue in place.

6. Slide the second floor into position over top of the second floor supports. The opening for the stairs will be on your right as you look at it from the **back** of the house. Glue in place.

## F) ASSEMBLY OF FIREPLACE

- ✍ R&P fireplace bottom and fireplace mantle from sheet#2.
- ✍ R&P two fireplace sides, two fireplace tops from sheet #3.
- ✍ R&P six mantle supports from sheet #3.



1. "Sandwich" two mantle supports together – all sides flush – and glue. Repeat for each support, you should end up with three "sandwiched" assemblies. Set aside.

2. Position the fireplace bottom centered on the floor in front of the fireplace opening – glue in place. Glue the fireplace sides flush with the fireplace opening on each side.

3. Using the photo as a guide, glue the mantle supports and the fireplace tops into position. Start with one support on the side, then glue a top flush with the top of the opening, then another support, the other top, and the final support.

4. Position and glue the mantle centered on top of the supports.

## G) ASSEMBLY OF BACK WALLS

- ✍ R&P two back walls – one from sheet #2 and one from sheet #3. Remember to save all of the little  $\frac{3}{4}$ " squares – you should have 10 from each sheet.
- ✍ R&P first floor back support from sheet #1

1. Position the first floor back support along the under side of the first floor and glue in place.

2. Interlock the back walls to the back edge of the side walls. The openings for the interlock will be tight. You may find that it will be necessary to sand the openings slightly to ease the interlock process.

3. Now you will glue the  $\frac{3}{4}$ " squares or "log ends" onto the **backside** of each log that extends out past the interlock. Each  $\frac{3}{4}$ " square should be flush with the log you are gluing it to. This forces the back wall tight to the side wall and eliminates the need to actually glue the walls together.

