

# 9903C Lisa's Country Cottage

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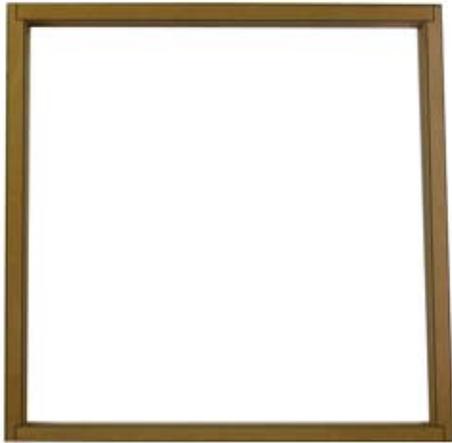
Our friends at Hobby Builder's Supply asked us to make an addendum to their written instructions for Lisa's Country Cottage. This kit was not made by Real Good Toys and is not supported by us, but the photos in this document are offered to make your dollhouse experience the best that it can be. For product support, contact HBS customer service at 800-223-7171 ([www.miniatures.com](http://www.miniatures.com))

## PARTS LIST

- |   |                                   |
|---|-----------------------------------|
| 1 Right Side Wall w/ 2 Window Openings & Peak | 2 Roof (front & back same)        |
| 1 Front Wall w/Door and Window Opening        | 4 Roof Support                    |
| 1 Back Wall                                   | 5 Porch Post                      |
| 2 Shorter Foundation Strip                    | 1 Shorter Porch Trim              |
| 2 Longer Foundation Strip 1 Base w/grooves    | 1 Longer Porch Trim               |
| 1 Upper Second Floor I Porch Ceiling          | 6 Small Dowel                     |
| 1 Porch Roof Side                             | 1 Step                            |
| 1 Porch Roof Front                            | 1 Instructions (on the last page) |
| 6 Porch Roof Support (wedge)                  |                                   |



Step 1 Foundation



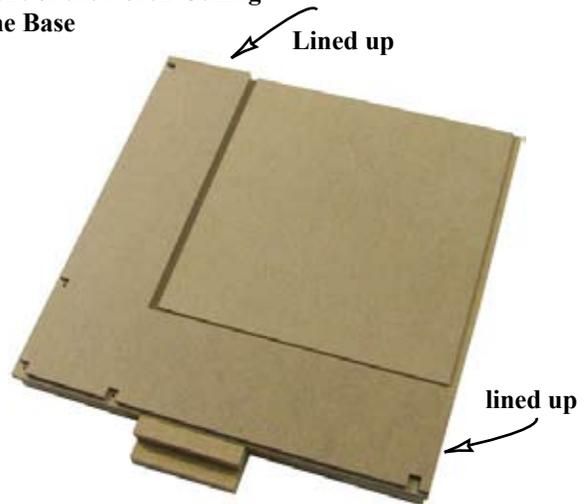
Step 2 Base and Step



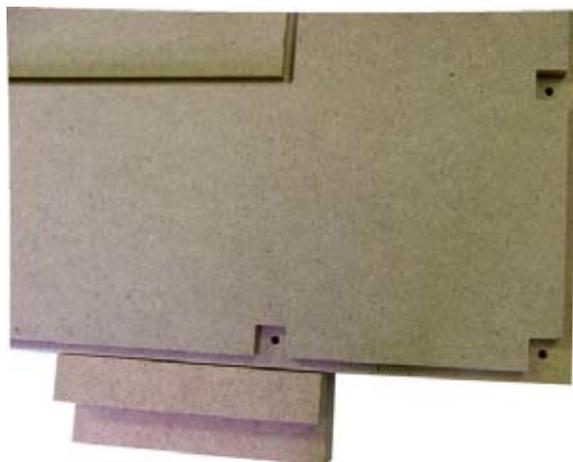
This is a temporary placement of the Porch Ceiling to test the hole position in the Base

This is the Porch Ceiling on the Base. The notches in the Porch Ceiling hold the tops of the Porch Posts, and the holes in the Base hold the bottoms of the Porch Posts.

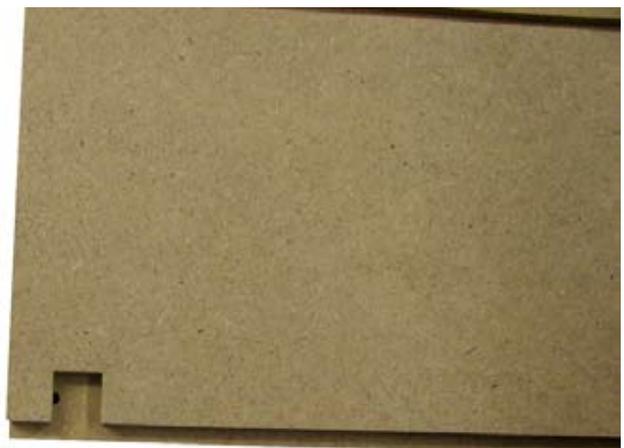
**RGT builder:** In my kit, the holes for the end Porch Posts are not in line with the notches, so the Posts will not be straight. The rest of page 2 and all of page 3 are photos of an easy fix. If your holes do line up with the notches, skip to page 4.



These holes are in the centers of the notches - these posts will be straight



This hole is not in the center of the notch - the post will not be straight  
The other end is also not centered



Marking the edges of the notch



Marking for a new hole the same distance from the edge, but centered between the marks



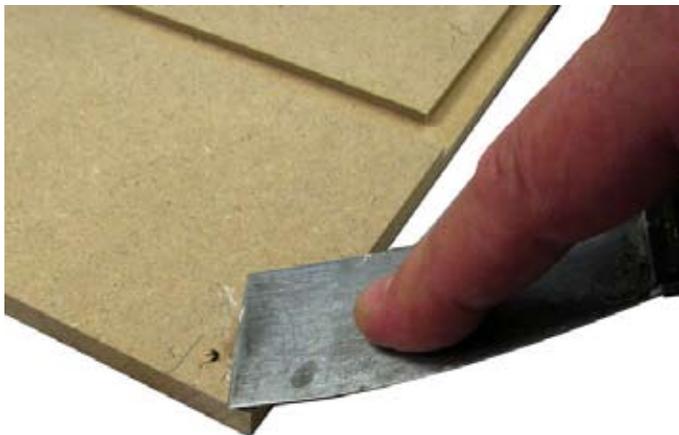
1/8" drill



Lite spackle in the old hole



Putty knife or credit card



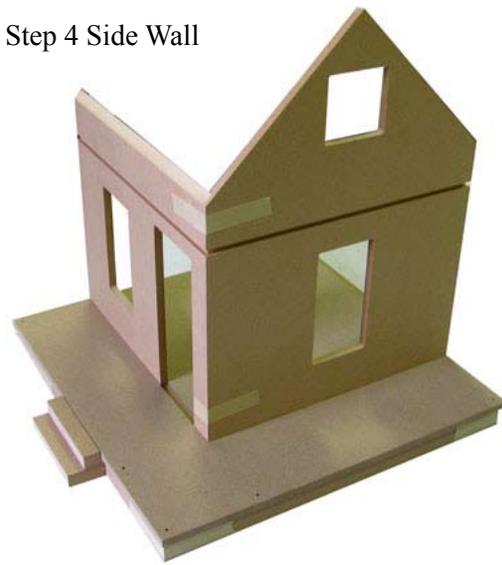
Lightly sanded after it's dry



Steps 3 Front Wall



Step 4 Side Wall



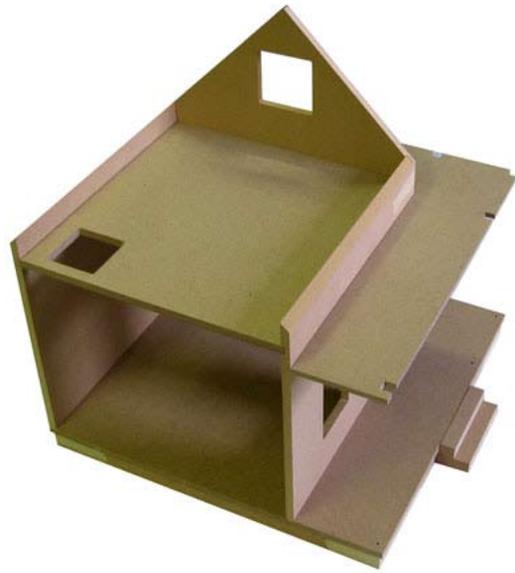
Step 5 Back Wall



Step 6 Upper Floor



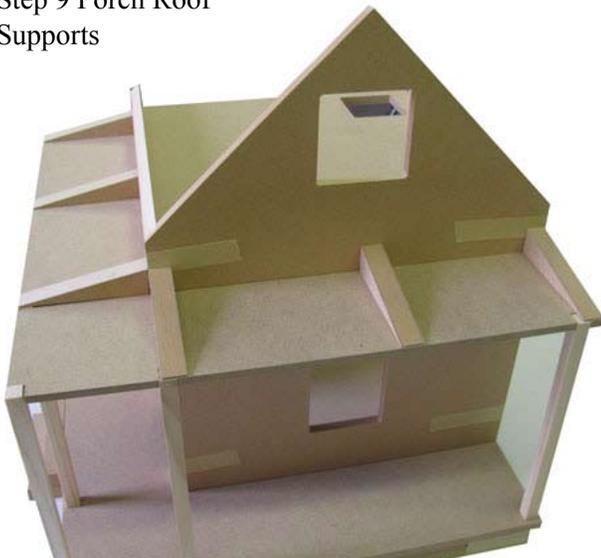
Step 7 Porch Ceiling



Step 8 Porch Posts



Step 9 Porch Roof Supports



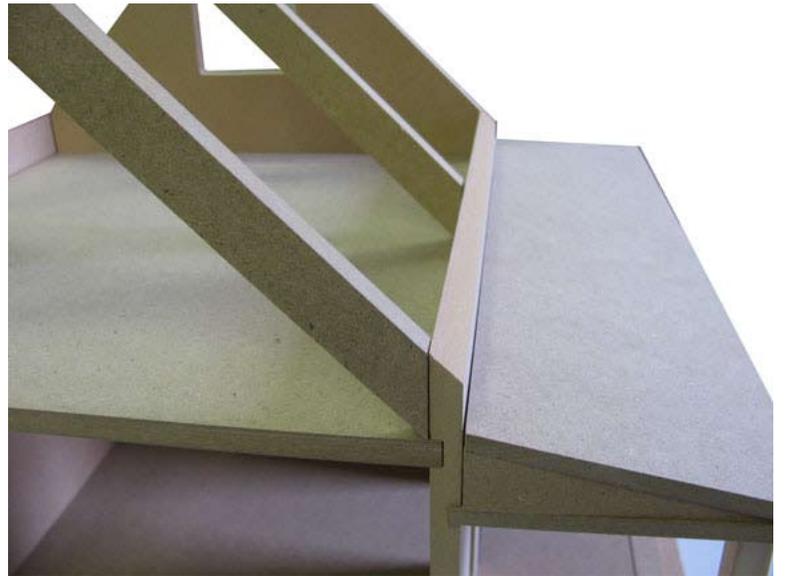
Step 9 Porch Roofs



Step 10 Porch Trim



Step 11 Roof Support (Truss)



Step 12 Roof





*Below are the original instructions from HBS, as included in the kit*

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## #9903 & 9903C LISA'S COUNTRY COTTAGE General Instructions

**9903** has milled siding that should always be placed to the outside as it represents the clapboard. This kit also includes windows, door and a ladder for stairs.

**9903C** is a shell kit only. It is made from smooth MDF and not milled. It does not include the windows, door or ladder. It is a good idea to pre-assemble the kit using masking tape to hold the parts in place before gluing. This gives you the opportunity to make sure that all of the parts are in the kit and that everything fits together correctly.

Looking at the kit after pre-assembling, you may decide that you want to paint or wallpaper some of the parts before gluing it together because of the difficulty of doing it after the cottage is assembled.

Masking tape is also a great way to hold parts in place while the glue dries. We suggest using a thick white glue that dries clear to assemble the kit.

After the kit has been assembled and the glue is dry, all windows, doors and trim should be painted or finished before gluing them in place

When you are satisfied that everything is correct, it is time to assemble the kit with glue.

### Assembling Instructions

1. Start with the Foundation. Glue the front and back pieces flush into the notches on both ends of the sidepieces forming a square. Use pieces of masking tape to hold in place while the glue dries.

2. Center the Base on the Foundation by placing the groove on the steps against the front of the Base as a guide. The groove for the house will be on top of the Base on the left back corner. The floor for the wraparound porch will be across the front and right side.

3. Place Front Wall with window and door opening in the front groove of the Base. Be sure the side of the Wall with groove and top angle edge are on the outside and end is flush to edge of Base. Glue in place.

4. Glue notched edge of Right Wall with peak flush against the edge of the Front Wall. Grooves for the Porch Ceiling will match on the outside. Let Dry.

5. Glue the Back Wall flush to the back edge of the Base and flush in notch against Side Wall. Let dry.

6. Slide the Second Floor, with hole for ladder at the back left corner, into the grooves on Front and Back Walls flush against ends of walls. It does not need to be glued in place.

7. Run a bead of glue along the inside edge of the Porch Ceiling. Glue the Porch Ceiling in grooves of Front and Side Walls flush at ends. Spacing equally between post holes, glue three of the Porch Roof Support wedge pieces on top of front Porch Ceiling flush against walls with the end straight edge against the wall and the thin edge almost to front edge of Ceiling. (If the wedge is upside down, it will have an angle at the wide end and will not fit flush against the wall.) Repeat this step on the side Porch Ceiling.

8. Push the Small Wood Dowels into the holes on the bottom end of Square Porch Posts. Install each Porch Post into the holes on the Base and glue in square notches above on Porch Ceiling. (This includes the notch on the corner.)

9. Spread glue on top of each wedge piece on top of Porch Ceiling. Take the Porch Roof pieces and carefully run a line of glue along beveled top edge and beveled diagonal corner edge of each piece. Place the Front Porch Roof on top of wedges flush at end of wall with top edge against wall from end to corner. Fit Side Porch Roof on wedges on side Porch Ceiling in the same manner. Be sure the diagonal edges at the corner are flush.

10. Glue the longer piece of strip wood trim under the porch roof along the front and the shorter piece of strip wood under the porch roof along the side. The front piece is longer to overlap the end of the side piece. (This step should be done after the trim and the shell have been painted or finished.)

11. The four Roof Support have notched tops and angled ends. Take two pieces and glue on notched end on top of another notched end to form a point with angle ends at the bottom. This makes a truss to support the roof. Let dry. Glue the Trusses inside the Front and Back Walls at the open edge. We placed the second Truss in the middle about 5-1/2" from the Side Wall and 5-1/2" from the first Truss. This gives the look of a beamed ceiling. Let Dry.

12. The Trusses are the support beams along with the edge of the top of the Side Wall for the Roof. Run a bead of glue on the top edges of the Trusses and the Side Wall. The Roof Pieces will only have a bead of glue run along the top angled edges. The angle will be going down when placed together to make the peak of the Roof. Carefully place the Back Roof on the back of the first Truss flush against the outside edge and on the top edge of the Side Wall even at top point. Place the Front Roof in the same manner on the front of the Trusses and Side Wall. Work with the two roof pieces until they are both flush to the outside edge of first truss and across the top point. Use pieces of masking tape to hold the roof together at point so it does not slide and is flush. Let dry.

13. Using the door opening as a guide, center the steps with door opening and glue the groove and back of steps on the front of the base and foundation. Let dry.