

# **Korber Models**

Scale Model Railroad Structures

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# Model 968 O Scale 14.5"L x 7.5"W x 6.25"H JENCO FREIGHT TERMINAL

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## Introduction

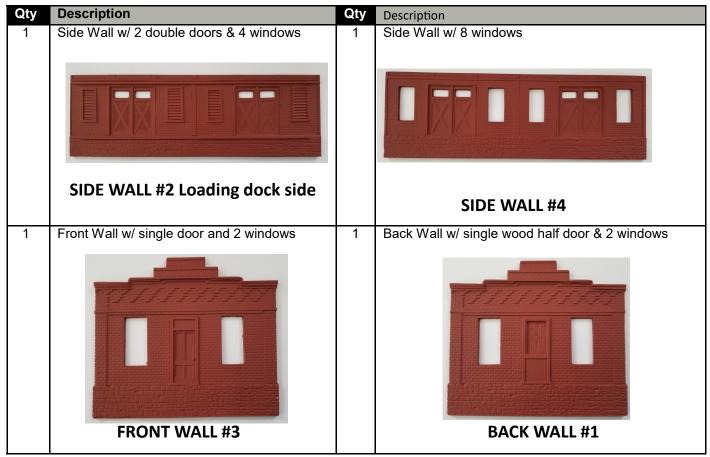
Jenco Freight Terminal is the ideal trackside structure to transition freight between the rail lines to trucks in your town. Often located near a station, this model is typical of those found across the nation in early 20th century.

You can follow the simple, step by step instructions outlined in this document to easily assemble this great looking addition to your layout. We have covered not only the key required steps to build the building so you can get it on your layout the quickest, but have also included several optional steps to enhance the appearance. These enhancements are based on submissions from modelers just like you who have taken the Korber structures to the next level, and now by following a few extra steps you can achieve the same results.

Before you start you may want to read through the instructions to get a feel for the things you will be doing, and the basic order in which they will be done. You are on your way to adding a centerpiece to your layout, so let's get started!

# Parts list & Templates – (What's in the box)

Take a few minutes to locate all the parts in the box to make sure you have all the pieces you will need and that the quantities are right. You may also want to spread these parts out so that you have a small separate stack of each part and make it easy to find each as you start the assembly process. If you are missing anything, please contact us so we can get you any of the missing items.



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Qty	Description	Qty	Description
2	Main roof supports Wood	1	Main roof
1	Loading dock deck 10 3/4"	1	Loading dock roof 10 3/4"
1	Loading dock foundation walls 2@ 1 1/2 x 7/8 Brick forms 1@10 1/2	8	Windows plus 1 sheet clear plastic
4	Cotter pins	2	Down spout Wires
4	Roof vents one each	2	Loading Dock Braces Wood
2	Small chimneys		
1	Double Stairs w/ foundation wall	5	4– Corner supports 3 1/8" cut to sizes needed 1—Loading Dock roof support wood 10 3/4"L

# Materials needed - (What else might I need that is not included)

The Korber Building, like any kit, requires a few additional items to complete the construction. We have included a list here, including some color and brand suggestions based on our experience; however you may use any product that fits the function. Please also note that some items are listed as options such that they either make assembly simpler, or are needed only for optional steps

Flat paint, choice of colors, for doors, windows, trim

"Red" automotive primer spray paint to cover all molded brick surfaces such as Krylon Ruddy Brown Antique white craft paint for cement lines

Light grey or cement color paint for cement foundation and frame

RustOleum camouflage flat spray paints work well for painting window frames, gutters and doors

Small paint brushes

Paper towels or soft cloth rags

Cyanoacrylate (CA) glue. Also known as Super Glue, Gorilla™ super glue works well

We like the new Gorilla brand super glue because it is thicker than most super glues, and allows you to put it on a seam while holding the part in your hand, and will not run when you turn the seam on the side to put two pieces together. This glue is available in most retailers, including the larger home improvements stores CA glue accelerator (optional) (turns any CA glue into guick set glue (optional)

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Medium grit sandpaper or emery board

Testor's Dull-cote™ (optional)

Small clamps (optional)

Flat black or grimy black spray paint (optional)

## 1 - Parts preparation & painting

Look over all the molded parts and remove any flashing that might be left on them. Flashing is the thin pieces of the molding material that may be left in widow openings and along edges in the molded parts. This can quickly be removed with a razor type knife, a small file, or an emery board. Some may require more grooming than others as the flashing can be thick. Then it is time to wash parts with soaping water to clean of residue from mold release agent. Dry completely.

The parts in the kit will need to be painted to the final colors you select, and it is much easier to do this step before you assemble them. All the wall sections come colored in a brick red or yellow coloring, however many modelers find a light coat of flat red auto primer spray paint gives not only a great look, but also makes it easier to add the mortar color lines to the walls later on. In a well ventilated area (outside is good) apply a coat to the inside (smooth side) of all the brick wall sections first; once dry, do the same to the other side. By painting the **BACK** side first you avoid any marks that might appear on the brick textured side.

Use a similar process for the window frames and doors. You may want to paint both of these types of pieces the same color to create a theme for your building.

The internal wooden pieces do not need to be painted as they are for structural support only.

#### Option

An optional step that adds a great deal of realism to any model of a brick building is to add the mortar lines to contrast with the red brick color. The ability to lay the wall sections on a flat surface, when done prior to assembly, makes this detail step simpler. There are several ways to do this, including use of water based paint (Antique White or Light Grey latex well diluted with wa-



ter until the consistency is as thin as milk), some commercially available products, and the use of light spackling compound to fill mortar joints, In all of these approaches the general concept is to spread the white product you are using over the brick walls, filling in the mortar line groves in the wall section, and then removing the excess from the top of the bricks. We will walk through the water based paint method.

One simple method we have used is to dilute some water based antique white or light grey craft paint to create a soupy like consistency.

•Cover entire wall section with diluted white paint, letting it settle and collect in the mortar lines

•Wait a few seconds and lightly wipe off excess paint using a slightly damp paper towel or soft cloth until paint is removed from the brick surface, but not the mortar joints

- •Keep flat and let dry before moving so the paint in the joints does not run
- •To remove haze from brick surface, apply a thin layer of Dull-Cote and wipe gently
- •It may require several applications to achieve the mortar line that you want

The good news with this option is that if you don't like it, the paint is water based, so you can get it wet, remove it, and start over.

The foundation should be painted a cement or light grey color once assembled. There are other cement details that also can be highlighted with the cement color you choose.

Once dry, this area should be washed using a mix of either watered down black paint, or alcohol and India ink. The purpose of the wash is to settle the black color in the grooves/joints around the bricks and give definition. The wash should not be so dark as to overpower the cement/light grey color.

### 2 - Assembly & Install windows

The windows are made from injection molded plastic and will have a clear plastic sheet stock applied over the opening from the inside of the model to form a finished window.

- Carefully remove any flashing from the window frames
- If the window frames have not been painted, and if you would like to do so, paint them now and let them dry before moving to the next step

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- Place the walls to which you want to add windows brick side up on a flat surface
- The windows are designed to overlay the window opening from the front, or outside of the building, and will not fit inside the window opening if installed from the back
- Apply a small amount of glue around the edge of the frame and insert over the openings on the wall sections
- Let the glued windows dry before moving the wall sections to a vertical position to avoid glue running or the windows falling out
- Prepare to cut and glue small pieces of window clear plastic material over the back of each window. Consider the following two window detailing option for the windows:
- If you want the window panes to have a hazed affect, lightly sand the window material until you've achieved desired haze effect prior to cutting into small window pieces
- You may also detail the windows with shades by covering the top portion of the window material with masking tape

## 3 - Assembly of Steps

The steps come in one molded part that includes foundation wall.

- Sand and trim parts of any flashing and taps.
- Paint the desired color of concrete, then glue to foundation in front of entrance.

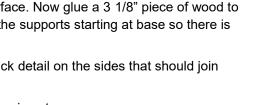
### 4 - Assembly of Main Structure

It is now time to start with wall # 2 with loading dock and wall #4 and rough up the side edges, but make sure they are square to bottom edge. This will help to enable a perfect joining with front and back walls.

- The next step is to lay wall sections # 2 and # 4 face down on a clean work surface. Now glue a 3 1/8" piece of wood to the side corners for more support in gluing front and back walls in place. Glue the supports starting at base so there is room for roof supports to fit. Let glue dry completely.
- Now glue side wall #2 to back wall #1. You will notice that the back wall has brick detail on the sides that should join seamlessly with the side wall.
- Repeat for opposite wall #4 and front wall #3. Make sure glue is setup before flowing steps.
- Once dry glue both wall assemblies together, making sure to keep a perfect rectangle.
- Once the building has set up completely, install the roof support for main building on walls #1 and #3. To do This, you must decide whether you want a slightly raised roof or a flat roof. For a raised roof, align the top edge of support (with angle facing up) with the top edge of both sides of long walls. Then glue in place. IF you want flat roof turn support over and align in same fashion. Let dry completely.
- To install the roof, If **slightly raised** is going in, cut the roof panel in 2 pieces along the seam. Then attach to supports. You can also cut black duct or painters tape to cover the seam to give more support. This also produces a smooth roof seam. If **installing flat roof**, align the edges with some over hang and glue in place.

## 5 - Build and Install Loading Dock and Roof

- The loading dock has four pieces, a front section, two sides and a top section. Create a three sided "U" shaped part.
- Glue the "U" shaped base to the side of the building. Note that the plastic on the foundation may need to be cut so that







the sides mate to the side wall.

 Dry fit the loading dock top on the loading dock base you have just attached to the building, some light trimming or sanding may be needed to get a tight fit to the building just below the loading dock doors. Once you are satisfied with the fit, glue the loading dock top to the base and the side of the building.



- The loading dock roof has a black tar look to it that faces up, and attaches to the side of the building in a slot above the freight doors. This roof section is supported by plastic braces that glue to bottom side of roof and attach to wall. You will need to trim part of plastic ledge above door so roof support and roofing are snug against the side wall.
- Once the supports are dry, cut the wood that goes along the bottom edge of freight roof. Make sure the piece is placed below the roof and sets against the roof supports.

### 6 - Final Detailing - Weathering

If you have not already done so, place and glue the steps assembled in an earlier step in front of the side and front doors.

You can now add the down spouts to your building. Locate the side of building desired for the down spout, then drill a small 3/64 diameter hole in wall at top and bottom for the cotter pin anchors. Next bend the green down spout wires to acceptable shape and size and fit in the cotter pin circular ends with a dab of glue.

Your Korber Building is now assembled and ready for placement on the layout. You may wish to provide some additional weathering before you install it as a building next to the tracks would be a heavily used structure with a layer of soot, and would rarely look brand new. There are 3 smoke stacks for roof if desired. Just glue them to flat roof parts.

To add a weathered look, spray the entire model with flat black from a distance. This will give a sooty look to the building. Once done you can spray the completed structure with Dullcote to remove any gloss or shine.

If you choose not to detail the inside of your structure, or light it, an effective and quick way to make a good looking background building is to cover the widows with black construction paper from the inside. This creates a dark building look that is more desirable than the view in to an otherwise empty shell of a building.



