



HO Structure Kit

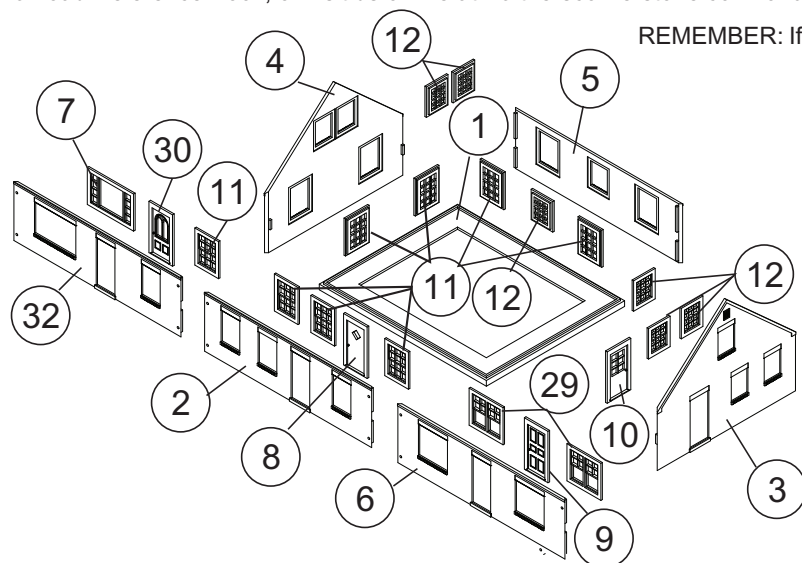
CAPE COD HOUSE

933-3774

Thanks for purchasing this Cornerstone kit. All parts are styrene plastic, so use compatible glue and paint to finish your model. Please read the directions and study the drawings before starting construction. PLEASE NOTE: If you wish to paint your model it's easiest before starting construction. Bricks are usually natural "earth" colors, but are sometimes painted by homeowners while the windows and doors can be any color. Three different styles of front walls, windows and doors are provided for easy customizing and realistic variety.

English settlers arriving in America built small, practical cottages based on those they'd left behind, with two to four rooms on a single floor. Harsh American winters led to low ceilings and a fireplace in each room connected to a central chimney. The roofline was also raised to a much steeper pitch to shed heavy snows. In later years, the resulting attic space was converted into a half-story for bedrooms. This basic design became so common in the Cape Cod area by 1800 that a guidebook referred to them as "Cape Cod houses" – the name they're still known by today. The design was modernized as the "Colonial Revival" in the 1930s, with the addition of small dormers to expand the upstairs living space, and central heating. The basic design also lent itself to some customizing, and builders often sided new homes with brick in place of traditional wood construction, painting windows and doors to provide a small splash of color. As demand for housing skyrocketed following WWII, the speed and ease of construction coupled with the low cost of the Cape Cod made it the perfect starter home for small families. While contractors used the same general plan for each to save time and material, they also introduced some variety using different styles of doors and windows, and making minor changes to the interior layout. On the outside, as materials and skilled labor became readily available once more, additional variety could be built-in with brick siding. Tens of thousands were built from coast to coast, and with additional updates, the design is still popular with singles and small families today.

This kit, and the Cape Cod House (#933-3776) that depicts a wood-sided home, can easily be mixed and matched to build a realistic neighborhood of similar, but not quite identical structures. Your new kit includes different front walls, window and doors that make customizing quick and easy, and additional kits (each sold separately) can be built using the different parts for even more variety. Appropriate vehicles, figures, landscaping and other accessories from your local hobby shop will bring your new subdivision to life. Check out the current Walther's HO ScaleModel Railroad Reference Book, or visit us online at walthercornerstone.com for additional ideas.



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- 1) Like the prototypes, you can mix and match windows and doors as desired for variety, or assemble your choice of Front Wall (2, 6 or 32) as shown. The top edge of each window has a slight lip; make sure windows are placed correctly and glue in place:
For Front Wall #32, use Picture Window (7), Front Door (30, 8 or 10) and Large Window (11)
For Front Wall #2, use Large Windows (3x 11) and Front Door (30, 8 or 10)
For Front Wall #6, use Windows (2x 29) and Front Door (10, 8 or 30)

- 2) With the lip at the top, glue remaining Large Windows (3x 11) and Small Windows (6x 12) to Walls (3, 4, 5). Glue Side Door (10) to Right Wall (3). Clear acetate is provided to make "glass" for all windows and doors: cut each piece slightly oversize, and glue to backs of windows and doors using white glue. When dry, cut and install the printed-paper curtains as desired using white glue.

- 2) Using raised ridges as a guide, glue completed Front Walls (2, 6 or 32) and Walls (3, 4, 5) to Floor (1). Glue Steps (2x 21) under Front and Side Doors. Glue Downspouts (4x 20) to mounting holes in corners of Front and Rear Walls. Optional Shutters (4 or 6x 18) can be glued alongside Windows on front wall if desired.

- 3) Note the small notches on the underside of Front Roof (22) and Rear Roof (23), and mounting tabs on Gutters (2x 19). Glue the Gutter tabs to the notches on each Roof.

- 4) Cut acetate "glass" and glue in place with white glue on Small Dormer Front (2x 24) and Large Dormer Front (28). Glue Dormer Side Walls (3x 25 Right Side, 3x 26 Left Side) to Dormer Fronts. Glue two Small Dormers to Front Roof and single Large Dormer to Rear, along raised ridges as shown. Glue Chimney Walls (13, 14, 15, 16) and Chimney Cap (17) together, and to Front Roof. The Cellar Doors (33) can be glued anywhere along the bottom of the Back Wall if desired.

- 5) Decide if you wish to make the roof removable or glue it in place. Complete assembly by gluing Front and Rear halves together: for a removable roof, glue only at the center ridge and set in place. OPTIONAL: Light Mounting Pad (34) may be glued inside the finished Roof to simplify adding interior lighting (sold separately). It will also reinforce the joint for a removable roof.

