

Westlake Cottage, Canberra

Westlake Cottages Paper Models Notes for building

1. Tools: ruler, craft knife, large pin, glue stick, cutting pad, tweezers & scissors are useful. Also Magic tape is useful to hold model in place while glue dries. Use tooth pick or match to spread glue on to paper flaps. Spread glue evenly & thinly. (too much glue will bubble paper)
2. Print onto standard paper A4, weight 80gms, or light card weight 160 to 200 gms if you need a stronger model.
3. First, score along arrowed lines - light pressure only - best use a nappy pin or other pointed instrument. This score marking helps folding paper in straight line. Hold pinpoint at flat angle to paper - light pressure.
4. Use a ruler or straight edge to cut paper
5. Cut out along outside line of Hut design drawings
6. Fold all scored flaps, top & bottom against themselves, thumb pressure along scored lines. Bent over flaps makes edge of paper strong so the walls of are held vertical
7. Cut out roof & fold edges. Cutout corners & cut short slit at top peak of roof fold.
8. Glue together Side A to Side B. Lineup Side A to Side B on ruler or straight edge. Before gluing wall flap, place cutout of model on flat surface and lineup the bottom of walls to a ruler so that when the 2 parts are connected the baseline of walls are in a straight line to each other. Hold in place & glue wall flap.
9. Fold Base Plan Drawing onto a cardboard smaller than base paper, fold over edge of card and glue.
10. Carefully line up model wall bottom flaps to Base Plan Drawing and glue. Glue to base drawing one flap at a time. The trick is, bend up flap at angle to wall bottom, line up wall bottom, push down flap with rule. Rehearse this method before gluing.
11. Score Interior Plan Drawing & Cutout. Fold flaps to create a box shape. Push into model Hut.
12. Score Stairs, cutout & fold. Glue to model at doors, back & front.
13. Fold top wall flaps. Rehearse placing roof on BEFORE gluing. Glue flaps & carefully line up roof. Center the roof on roof cap point & front door. Find faint lines on Base drawing to line up roof.