

## MAKING A DOLLHOUSE FOR THE DOLLHOUSE IN YOUR DOLLHOUSE

So, your dollhouse has a dollhouse, but you need an even smaller dollhouse? If you're working in a typical scale for dollhouses, you're working 1/12 scale, where a foot in real life is represented by an inch in the dollhouse. The means that the dollhouse in your dollhouse is 1/144 scale, and the dollhouse INSIDE *that* dollhouse is 1/1,728 scale.

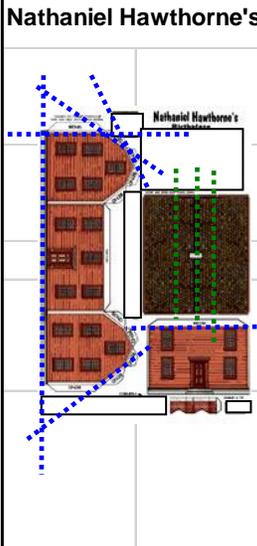
So . . . if a house in real life is 36 feet wide and 20 feet tall, you need to make a house that is about 1/4 inch wide and about 5/32 inch tall.

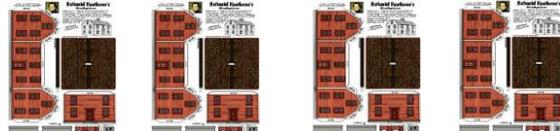
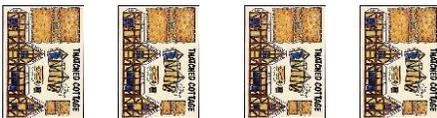
One method is to resize card model houses, like those from Fiddlers' Green, cut them out and assemble them. It's a little different from assembling a full sized card model, so there are instructions below, as well as a few models that have been resized for you. Enjoy!

### General Guidance

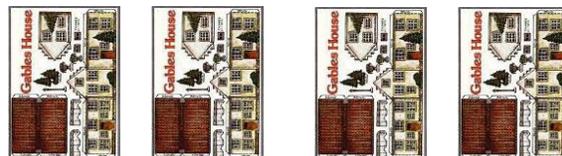
1. Print this page out on a light weight cardstock, on high quality. Use a fresh blade to cut out houses. Cut out of corners—not into them—and make sure corners are clean cuts. Turn over and check the back if necessary.
2. Do not cut out interior lines, that is, the lines separating the walls.
3. Score long fold lines lightly before folding using the back of a dull blade. Use a thin metal rule to guide folds.
4. Use a relatively clear drying, thin glue (such as Elmer's white glue).
5. Cut consistently all along the outline: if you start on the outside edge, continue that way. Don't leave white around the cutout.
6. Check carefully during assembly to be sure walls are vertical and house sits flat. Be patient!

	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Thatched cottage from Fiddler's Green (easy)</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Cut out only pieces as shown. Do not cut wall corners.</li> <li>2. Cut along outline, excluding tabs (see blue lines as examples).</li> </ol>
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>3. Use gray marker on edge of roof, and yellow/orange on underside, near edge.</li> <li>4. Fold along center of roof (see green line). (Score back lightly first.)</li> <li>5. Fold house at three corners. Use pin to put glue lightly on edge of low wall, then assemble. Hold corners for a few seconds. Let dry.</li> <li>6. Put glue lightly along top edge of building where roof will touch, and press roof into place.</li> </ol>	

	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Nathaniel Hawthorne's House from Fiddler's Green (moderate difficulty)</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Cut out only pieces as shown. Notice that roof line on tall sides is not a straight line, but has an angle in it.</li> <li>2. Cut along outlines, excluding tabs (see blue lines as examples). Do not cut along corners connecting walls.</li> <li>3. Use dark gray marker on underside edge of roof.</li> <li>4. Fold at peak of roof and near peak (see green dotted lines in illustration). You should just barely be able to see <i>very faint</i> lines indicating where to fold.</li> <li>5. Fold long piece at both corners. Use pin to put glue lightly on left and right edges of the long piece (this is where it will attach to the separate wall (the back of house). Assemble. You may want to do one corner at a time. Let dry.</li> </ol>
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>6. Put glue lightly on top edge where roof will touch house. Attach roof.</li> <li>7. Fold up chimney (either 3-D or flat) &amp; glue together. Color chimney top. attach chimney to white space on roof</li> </ol>	



*Note on Gable House: Assembly is similar to Hawthorne House, except glue is applied to low walls at each end of long piece, and the roof fits between the gables, not on top.*



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