

Assembly Book

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Crafter's Connection 12'x16'

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IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR KIT

Thank you for purchasing our kit. Please read the following information before beginning construction. Always check with your local HOA or building code office for any requirements or restrictions.

Floor: Wood flooring is sold optionally. You may choose to build your own or pour a cement pad.

Always wear safety glasses when cutting or nailing!

Tools Required: Hand or Circular Saw Level Safety Glasses

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Cordless Drill Measuring Tape Dust Mask
Hammer 6'-8' Ladder(s) Phillips Screwdriver

Pencil Framing Square

Additional Materials - Not included in kit:

Windows are purchased separately

Required: Shingles or metal roofing, Drip Edge, Roofing Nails or Screws, Paint

Optional: Caulk, Ridge Vent

Terminology:

Square - Confirm corners are at 90 degrees

Plumb - Confirm walls and trusses are straight vertically

Wall Plate - Top and bottom 2x4s used to frame walls

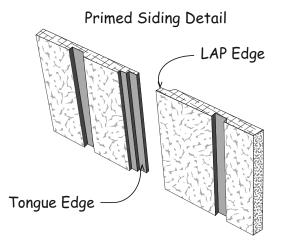
Tie Plate - 2x4s connecting wall sections together

Header - Spans top of door opening

OSB - Oriented Strand Board

LAP - Edge of siding that overlaps Tongue

Tongue - Edge of siding that is overlapped



Organize:

Unpack all items & organize according to size and type. This will make items easier to find when instructed.

Review the parts list on the back page. Should there be missing items or sub-par material contact Best Barns Customer Service.

DO NOT discard any material including the pallet until your project is complete.

Assembly:

Review all instructions before you begin. Please follow steps carefully and in sequence for successful results.

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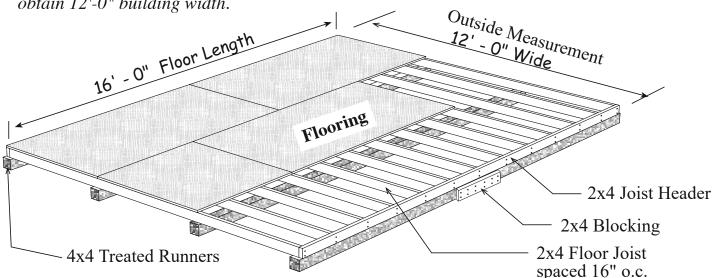
Constructing Details for Deluxe Floor System

Foundation size is 12'-0" x 16'-0". Check local building codes in your area, the construction may have to change. For a concrete slab, install sill sealer as a moisture barrier between the concrete and the wall plates. Foam sill sealer can be purchased at home centers in rolls 3-1/2" or wider.

- 1. Cut (2) two 2x4-8' boards into 2' long blocks. Butt the 4x4-8' timbers together to make 16' runners. Secure the 4x4s together with the 2' long 2x4 blocks and 16d galvanized nails.
- 2. Cut (2) two 2x4 joist headers to 16' 0". Layout for 16" on center joist spacing. 'X' marks where floor joist will be placed.

2x4 Joist Header	X	X	X	X	$\overline{}$
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	← 15-	1/4" → ← 16	" 	'———	

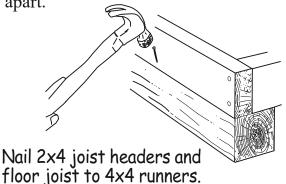
3. Cut 2x4-12' floor joist to 11'-9". *Treated lumber may be thicker than 1-1/2*". *Take this into account when cutting the length of floor joists. Shorten joist measurements if necessary to obtain 12'-0*" *building width.*



It is important that the floor be level and square. Square the floor as follows: before nailing the flooring, measure the floor diagonally (corner to corner). Then measure the opposite corners; these measurements will be the same when the floor is square. To enail frame to the 4x4 runners.

Install the flooring with 8d galvanized nails spaced 8" apart.

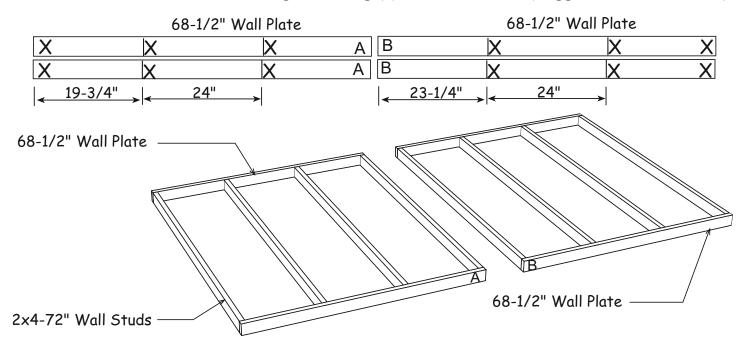
Material Description	Qty. & Size
2x4 Treated Blocking	2 pcs. 8'
2x4 Treated Floor Joists	13 pcs. 12'
2x4 Treated Joist Headers	2 pcs. 16'
4x4 Treated Runners	8 pcs. 8'
Flooring: 5/8" or 3/4"	6 pcs. 4x8
Galv. Spiral Floor Nails	3 lbs. 8d
Galvanized Deck Nails	3 lbs. 16d



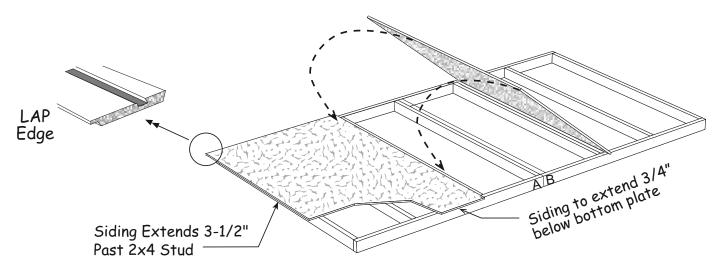
Do not discard any material until construction is complete. Including short blocks of 2x4s.

Step 1 Assemble 12' Side Wall Panel

- 1. Position (4) four 68-1/2" boards together and indicate with 'X' marks where the wall studs will be located. Mark the ends that will butt together with the letters 'A' and 'B'.
- 2. Install (8) eight 72" long wall studs between the wall plates. Use 10d sinkers, (2) two nails at each end of stud. Nail frames together using (4) four 10d sinkers (stagger nails on each side).

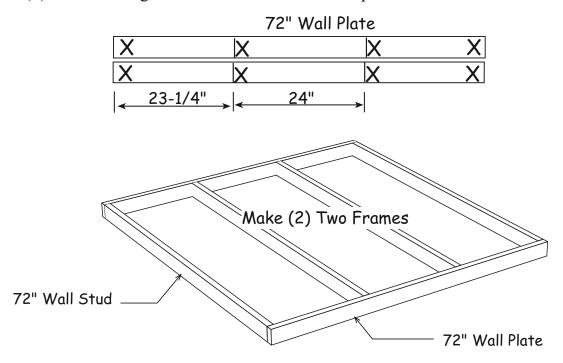


- 3. Square wall frame. *Measure diagonally (corner to corner). The measurements will be the same when the wall is square.*
- 4. Install the 1st siding panel with the 'LAP' edge extending 3-1/2" past the wall frame. The bottom will extend 3/4" below the bottom plate. Tip; use a 1x4 trim board as a gauge. Use 6d galv. nails spaced 8" apart.
- 5. Install (2) two more siding panels. Cut the last panel to extend 3-1/2" beyond the wall frame.

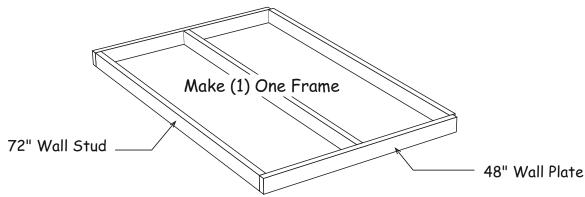


Step 2 Assemble Back Wall Frames

- 1. Position (2) two 2x4-72" boards together and indicate with 'X' marks, where the wall studs will be located.
- 2. Install (4) four 72" long wall studs between the wall plates

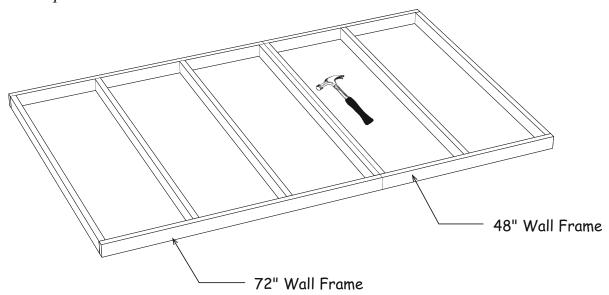


- 3. Repeat process to assemble another 72" long wall frame.
- 4. Locate (2) two 48" long 2x4s and (3) three 2x4-72" wall studs.
- 5. Install (2) two 2x4-72" wall studs between wall plates at each end. Install (1) one stud in the center of the wall frame.

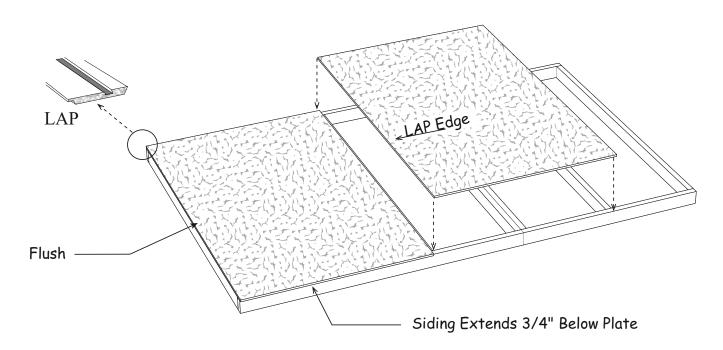


Step 3 Assemble (2) Two Back Wall Frames

- 1. Position the 48" wide wall frame against one of the 72" wall frames as shown below. Nail frames together with 10d sinkers.
- 2. Square wall frame. *Measure diagonally (corner to corner)*. The measurements will be the same when the wall is square.

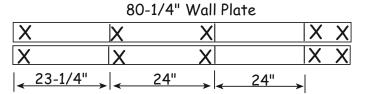


- 3. Install the first siding panel with the 'LAP edge' flush with the end of the wall and extending 3/4" below the bottom plate.
- 4. Install (1) one more siding panel. Leave the remainder of frame un-sided. Siding will be applied when walls are erected in a later step.

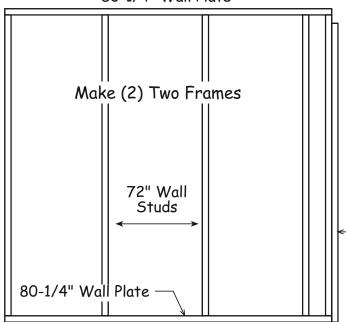


Step 4 Assemble (2) Two Front Wall Frames

1. Locate (2) two 80-1/4" long boards. Position boards together and indicate with 'X' marks where the wall studs will be located.



80-1/4" Wall Plate

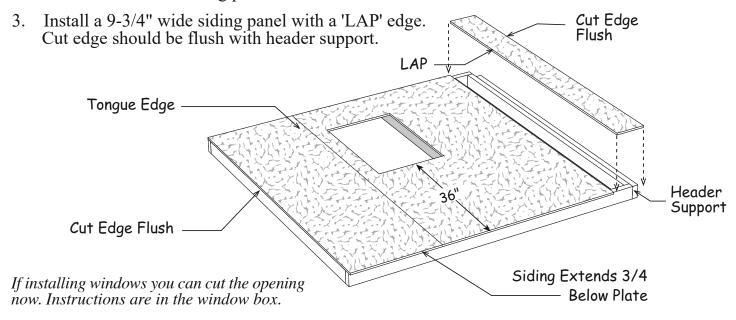


- 2. Install (5) five 72" wall studs between the 80-1/4" wall plates.
- 3. Locate (1) one 72" long 2x4 and cut to a length of 71-1/2". Install as a header support on the wall frame flush with bottom plate. Nail using (4) four 10d sinkers (stagger nails on each side).
- 4. Repeat steps to assemble another wall frame.

71-1/2" Header Support

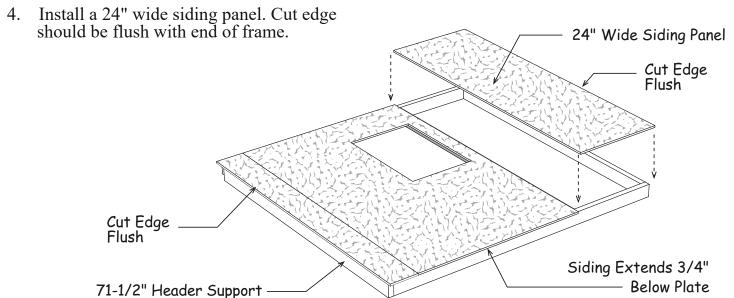
Step 5 Apply Siding to Left Front Wall Frame

- 1. Select one of the wall frames from **Step 4**. Position frame with the header support on the right. Select a 24" wide panel, *with a 'tongue' edge*, and install this panel with the 'cut' edge' flush with the end of the wall frame. The siding should extend 3/4" below bottom plate.
- 2 Install a full width siding panel.



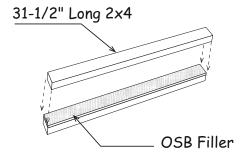
Step 6 Apply Siding to Right Front Wall Frame

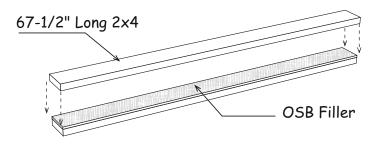
- 1. Select the remaining wall frame. Position wall frame with the header support on the left.
- 2. Install a 9-3/4" wide panel with a 'Tongue' edge. the 'cut' edge should be flush with the header support. Siding should extend 3/4" below bottom plate.
- 3. Install a full width siding panel.



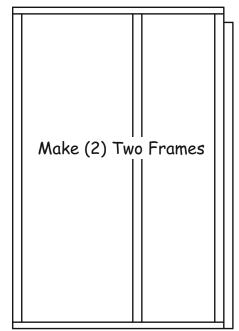
Step 7 Assemble Door Headers

- 1. Gather (2) two 31-1/2" long 2x4 boards and a 3-1/4" x 31-1/4" OSB filler panel. Nail header together from both sides with 10d sinkers staggered 6" apart.
- 2. Gather (2) two 67-1/2" long 2x4 boards and a 3-1/4" x 67-1/4" OSB filler panel. Nail header together from both sides with 10d sinkers staggered 6" apart.





Step 8 Assemble Double Door Wall

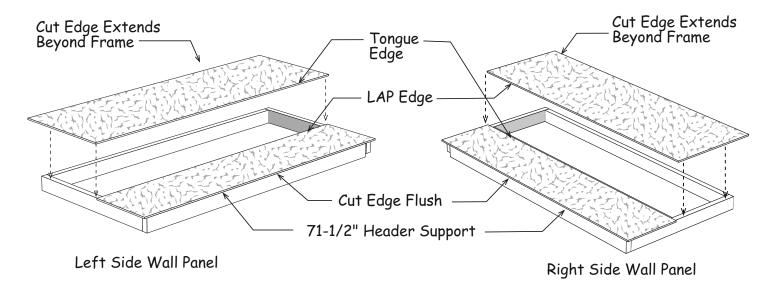


1. Locate (2) two 34-3/4" long 2x4s and position them together. Indicate with 'X' marks where studs will be located..

- 2. Install (3) three 72" wall studs between 34-3/4" wall plates.
- 3. Locate (1) one 2x4-72" and cut to 71-1/2". Install as a header support on right side as shown and flush with bottom plate. Nail using (4) four 10d sinkers (stagger nails on each side).
- 4. Repeat to assemble another wall frame.

71-1/2" Header Support

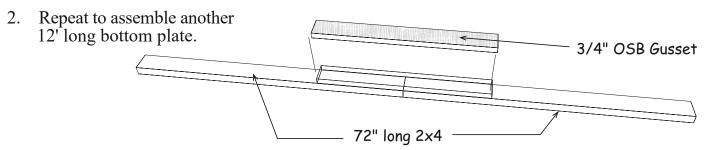
- 5. Select one frame and position so header support is on right.
- 6. Locate a 16" wide siding panel with a 'LAP' edge. Install this panel with the <u>cut edge</u> flush with the 2x4 header support. Bottom edge should be 3/4" below bottom plate. Only nail along cut edge until next panel is installed.
- 4. Select a 24" siding panel with a 'Tongue' edge. Install this panel so cut edge extends 3-1/2" beyond the end of the frame and tongue edge under the 16" panel. The siding should extend 3/4' below the bottom plate. Nail both siding panels to frame.



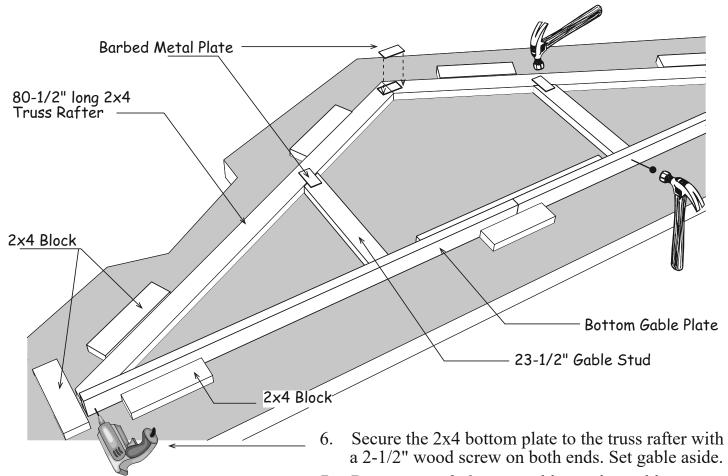
7. Locate a 16" wide siding panel with a 'Tongue' edge and the remaining 24" wide cut panel. Install these on remaining frame. **Make sure header support is oriented to the left.**

Step 9 Assemble Roof Gables

1. Butt (2) two 72" long 2x4s together and secure them with a 3-1/2" x 31-3/4" long OSB gusset across the top where they butt together. Use 12) twelve 6d common nails. This will be used as the bottom plate on the roof gables.



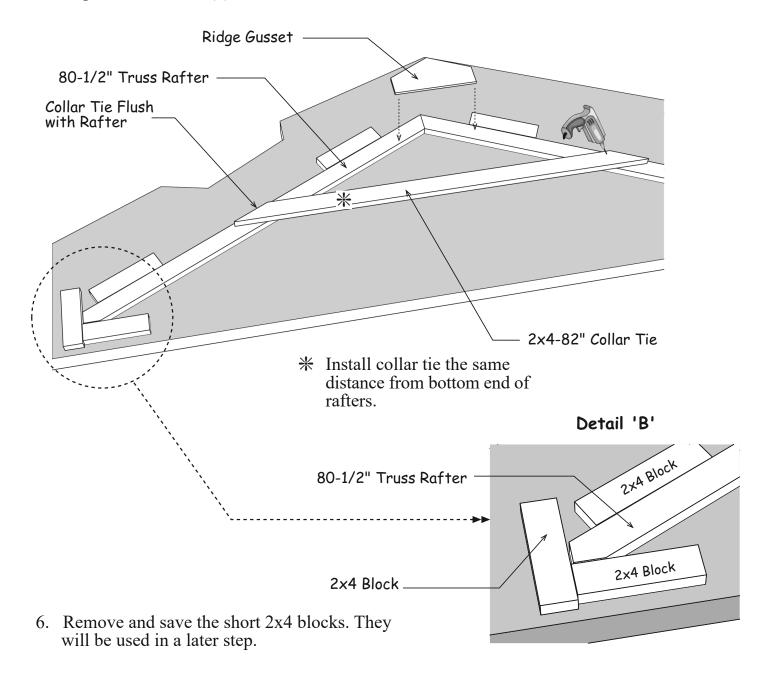
- 3. Place the bottom gable plate on the floor along with (2) two 80-1/2" long 2x4 truss rafters as shown below. Bottom plate will be on edge. There are short 2x4s, that may have an angle on one end, supplied in the kit. Use these to hold the truss rafter and bottom gable plate together by temporarily screwing the blocks to the floor using 2-1/2" screws. This will ensure that the gable frames and the trusses, assembled next, are identical.
- 4. Secure the top of the truss rafters together with a 1"x4" barbed metal drive-on plate.
- 5. Install (2) two 23-1/2" gable studs with angle cut at one end. Nail through the bottom plate with 10d sinkers and secure the top with barbed metal drive-on plates.



7. Repeat steps 3-6 to assemble another gable.

Step 10 Assemble Roof Trusses

- 1. Place (2) two 80-1/2" long 2x4 truss rafters and a 82" long collar tie together as shown below. The collar tie has an angle cut on both ends. Reposition the lower 2x4 blocks to hold the truss rafters in place. See '**Detail B**'.
- 2. Secure the 2x4 truss rafters at the top with a 8" x 16" wood gusset. Nail the gusset to the 2x4s with (14) fourteen 6d common nails,
- 3. Secure the 2x4 collar tie with (4) four 2-1/2" long wood screws at each end. Tip: Pre-drill holes with an 1/8" bit to prevent wood splitting at ends.
- 4. Turn this truss over and apply a wood gusset to the opposite side at the ridge.
- 5. Repeat to assemble (6) six more trusses.



Step 11A Set Wall Panels

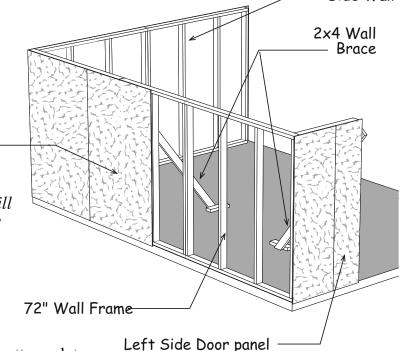
1. Erect side wall panel assembled in **Step 1** and the 10' back wall panel with siding applied from **Step 3**. **IMPORTANT make sure walls are plumb and square**. Secure wall panels together at the corners. Use (4) four 10d coated nails per corner

2. Butt the 72" back wall frame assembled in **Step 2** against the back wall panel. Secure with 10d sinkers.

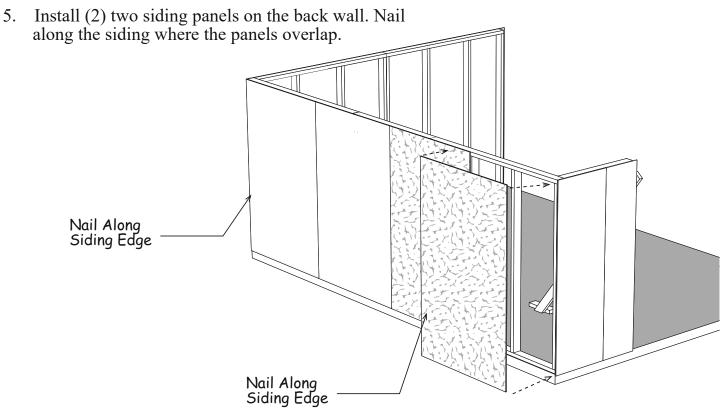
3. Install left side door panel and secure to back wall.

Back Wall

You can use 2x4-72" boards to brace walls to help hold them straight. You will need to remove them later to use as tie plates.



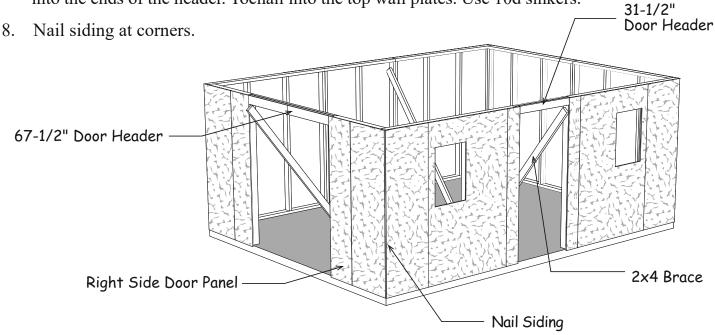
4. Nail wall panels to the floor through the bottom plate. Space Use 10d sinkers or, if erecting on a concrete slab, concrete anchor (not included) spaced 24" apart.



Step 11B Set Wall Panels Continued

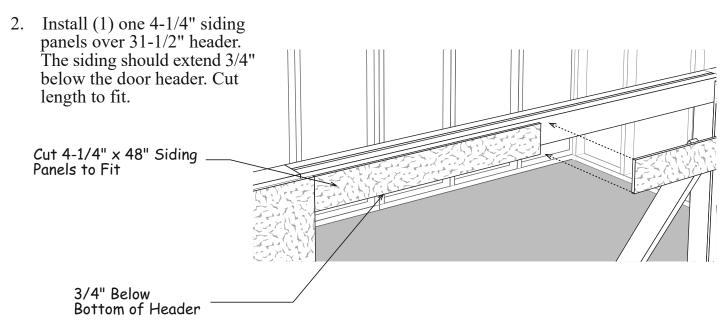
6. Set the remaining wall panels as shown.

7. Install 2x4 door headers between the wall panels. Nail through the wall studs into the ends of the header. Toenail into the top wall plates. Use 10d sinkers.



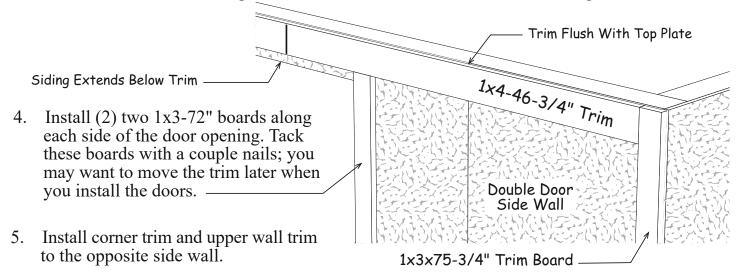
Step 12 Install Header Siding

1. Install (2) two 4-1/4" siding panels over 67-1/2" door header on the end wall. The siding should extend 3/4" below the door header. Cut length to fit. Wall trim, installed later, will hide where the siding butts the end wall siding.



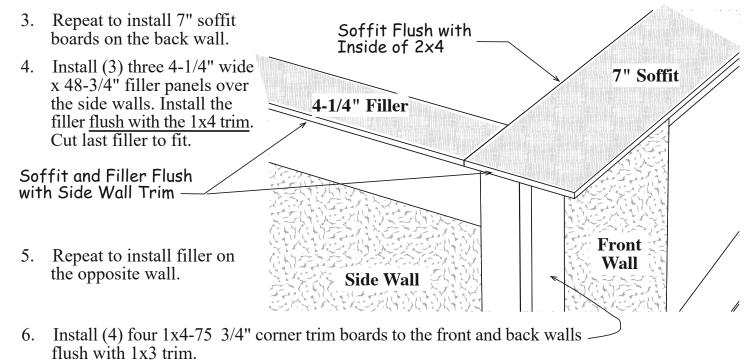
Step 13 Install 12' Side Wall Trim

- 1. Install (2) two 75 3/4" long 1x3 corner trim boards to the side wall. Install trim flush with top plate and flush with the siding on the front and back walls. Use 6d galv. nails, spaced 12" apart.
- 2. Gather (3) three 1x4-46-3/4" trim boards. Butt (1) one trim board against 1x3 corner trim and flush with top plate. Nail along top with 6d galv. nails.
- 3. Install another 46-3/4" long trim board next. Cut to fit the last 46-3/4" long trim board.



Step 14 Install Primed Soffit, Filler and Trim

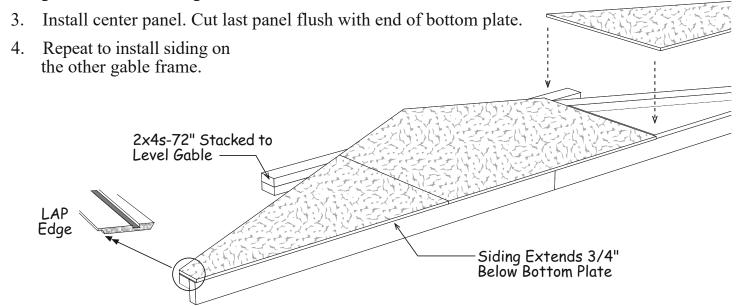
- 1. Locate (1) one 7" wide x 48-3/4" long siding panel and cut in half. Install one half over the front wall with the primed side facing down. Cut edges should be flush with the inside of the top 2x4 wall plate and flush with the trim on the side wall. Tack the soffit with a couple 6d common nails. Installing 2x4 tie plates in a later step will provide more nailing.
- 2. Install (4) four more 7"x48-3/4" soffit panels cutting the last panel flush with the side wall trim.



Step 15 Install Siding on Gables

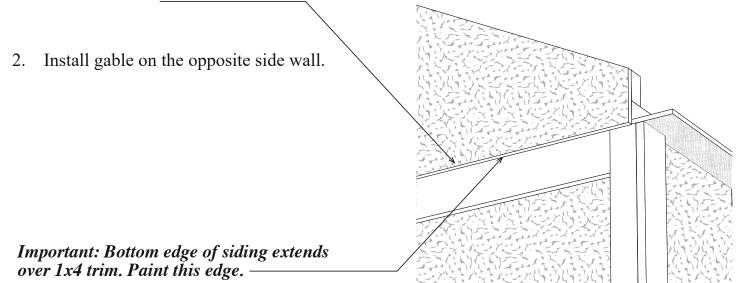
Gable siding is factory cut to be installed either working from left to right or right to left. Regardless of the direction always begin with the 'LAP' Edge flush with end of the gable.

- 1. Select one of the gable frames. Turn the gable over so bottom plate is on edge on floor. Support gable studs and rafters with (2) two 2x4-72" boards stacked. This will give you a solid surface when nailing siding.
- 2. Install a gable siding panel with the 'LAP' edge flush with the end of of bottom plate. Use 6d galv. nails. The siding will extend 3/4" below the bottom 2x4.



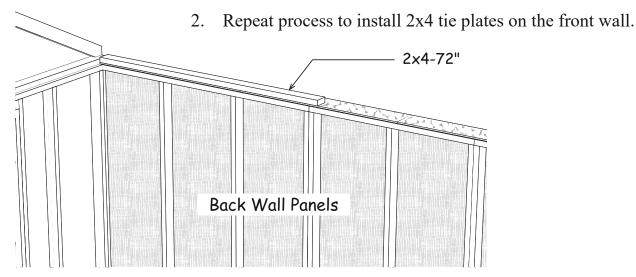
Step 16 Install Gables

1. Install a gable on the left sidewall. The gable siding will extend over the 1x4 trim on the lower wall. Secure gable to wall by nailing through the gable plate with 10d sinkers spaced 16" apart. Nail siding along the 1x4 trim board with 6d galv. nails.



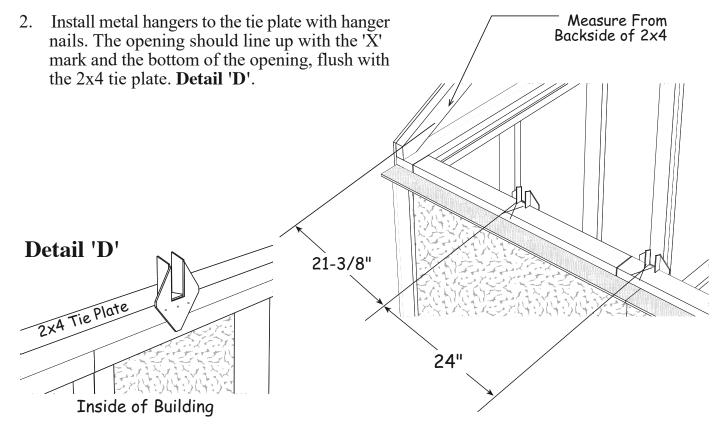
Step 17 Install 2x4 Tie Plates

1. Install (2) two 72" long 2x4s over the soffit panels on the back wall. Install the 2x4s flush with the inside of the back wall. Use 10d sinkers spaced 16" apart. Cut to fit a 2x4-48" to finish.



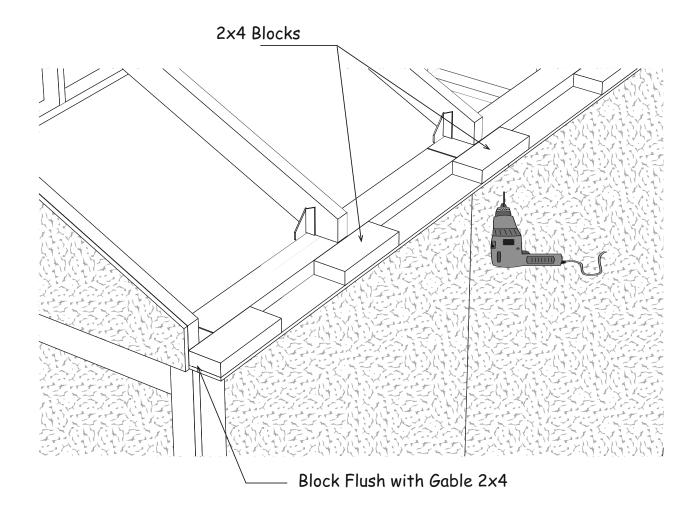
Step 18 Layout Roof Trusses

1. Layout the truss spacing from the left sidewall of the building. Measure from the <u>backside</u> of the 2x4 gable frame when marking the location of the first truss. Continue 24" spacing to other gable. **Important:** When marking the opposite wall, place the 'X' mark on the same side of the line so your trusses are parallel when they are installed.



Step 19 Set Roof Trusses and Soffit Blocks

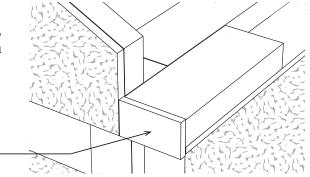
- 1. Set roof trusses. Secure trusses to metal hangers with 6d common nails.
- 2. Install short 2x4 blocks in front of each truss. Secure 2x4 blocks to the soffit panel using (2) two 1-1/2" long exterior screws.
- 3. Install a 2x4 block at each end of the soffit, flush with the 2x4 gable frame.



Siding Filler

Step 20 Install Siding Filler

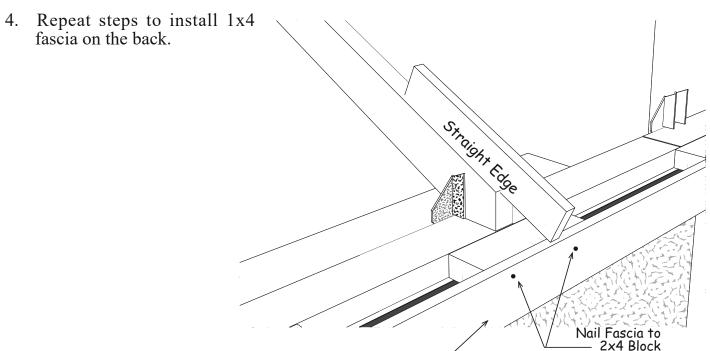
Install small primed siding fillers, *packed with the hardware*, over the 2x4 soffit blocks. Siding fillers will be flush with the gable siding. Use 6d galv. nails.

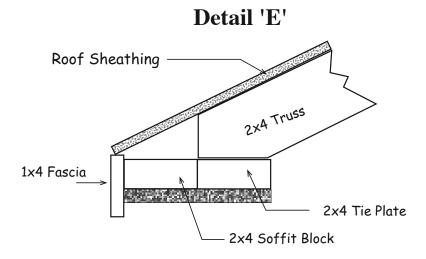


Step 21 Install 1x4 Fascia

- 1. Starting at the front left of the building, install a 1x4-6' fascia trim board flush with the face of the siding on the left gable. Install the fascia so the bottom edge of the roof sheathing will rest on the edge of the 1x4. **See Detail 'E'**. Use a straight edge to align the 1x4 boards with the top of the trusses. Install fascia with 6d galv. nails.
- 2. Install another 1x4-6' trim board,
- 3. Cut, if necessary, a 52" long 1x4 fascia board to fit flush with gable siding.

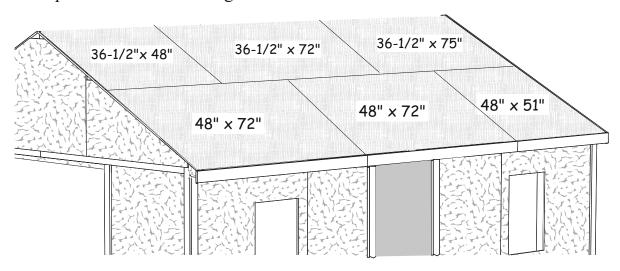
1x4 -6' Fascia Board



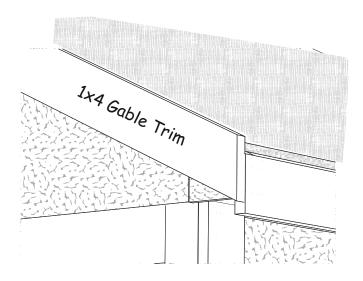


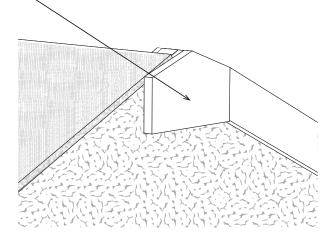
Step 22 Install Roof Sheathing, Gable and Door Drim

- 1. Install roof sheathing per layout below. Make sure the trusses are plumb and the sheets meet at the center of truss. Starting on lower front left corner install sheathing flush with gable siding. Use 6d common nails spaced 12" apart. The top row of roof sheathing will be about 1" below the ridge to allow for ventilation.
- 2. Repeat on back of building.



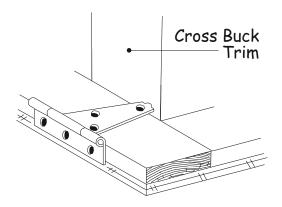
- 3. Install a 35" long 1x3 board centered over the single door opening. Position this board 3/4" above opening.
- 4. Install (2) two 1x3x73-1/4" boards along each side of the front door opening and butted too the bottom edge of 35" trim. Tack these boards with a couple nails; you may want to move the trim later when you install the door.
- 5. Install a 8-1/2" long trim board, *called a keystone*, at the top of the gable flush with the top of the roof sheathing. Use 6d galv. nails.





- 2. Install (2) two 82-1/2" long 1x4 trim boards flush with the top of the roof sheathing. Use 6d galv. nails.
- 3. Repeat to install trim on other gable end.

Step 23 Install Hardware



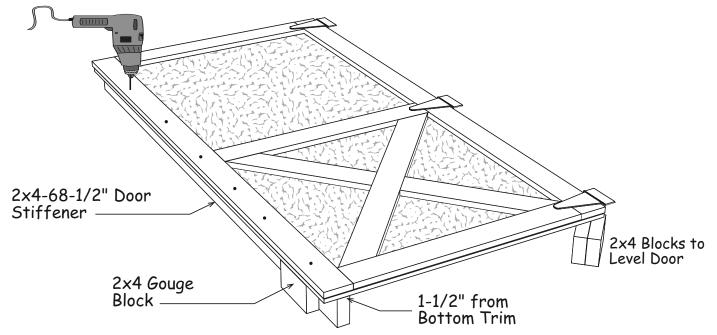
Install Hinges on Double Barn Doors

- 1. Locate the door that has a 2x4 fastened, *on edge*, to the back side of the door. When doors are closed this 2x4 will be in the center where doors meet. Lay the door with the trim facing up and install (3) three 5" hinges to the right side. To position the hinge properly, hold the rectangular plate against the frame. Use 1-1/4" black screws.
- 2. Install hinges on the left side of the other door.

Step 24 Install Door Stiffener on Single Door

Locate the 28" wide door. This door will be installed in the front door opening. The instructions below describe installing a 2x4 as a door stiffener. Decide which way the door will open and secure the 2x4 on the opposite side where the hinges will be installed.

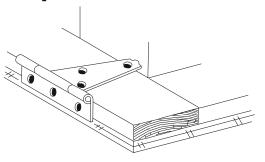
- 1. Locate a 68-1/2" long 2x4 and position the 28" door with trim facing up. Place the 2x4 on edge under the door. The 2x4 should be 1-1/2" from long edge of trim and 1-1/2" from bottom of trim. Use a 2x4 block as a gauge and another to help level door while installing 2x4.
- 2. Fasten the 2x4 to the door using (6) six 2-1/2" long deck screws. Install the first screw 6" from the bottom of the door. Space the remaining screws 12" apart.
- 3. Install hinges as described in **Step 23** on opposite side of 2x4.



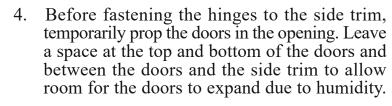


Reverse the position of 2x4 and hinges if you want the door to open in the opposite direction

Step 25 Install Doors & Hardware

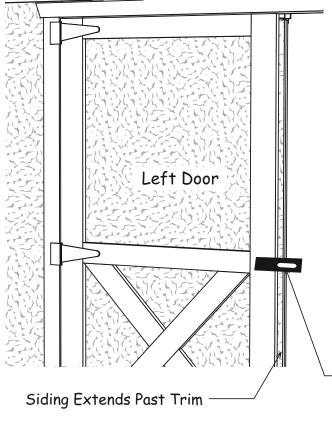


- 1. Lay the <u>left door</u> with the trim facing up. The siding on the left door <u>extends past the door trim</u>. See detail below.
- 2. Install 5" hinges to the left side of the door frame. To position the hinge properly, hold the rectangular plate against the frame. Use 1-1/4" black screws.
- 3. Install hinges to the right side of the other door.



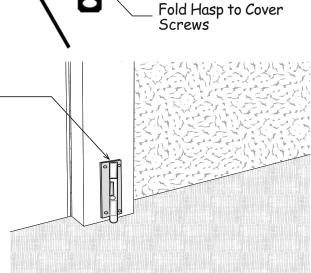
If your door opening is out of square, the space around the doors will not be even. You can remove and re-position the side trim to make allowances for this. The side trim does not have to be flush with the frame of the door opening. You can move the trim in or out to make the door spacing equal.

- 5. Determine position of hinges and install to side trim with 2" screws.
- 6. Install door hasp on double doors. When properly installed the hasp will fold in half to receive locking latch and the screw heads will be covered.



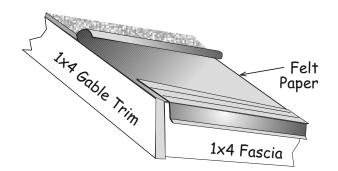
Barrel Bolt on the back of left door

- 7. Install a barrel bolt on the lower back of the door to secure this door in place when closed. You will need to drill a hole for the round shaft to drop into.
- 8. Install another barrel bolt at the top of the door.



Step 26 Install Roofing — Not Supplied in Kit

1. Install metal roof edging on the perimeter of the roof area. If you are not installing shingles at this time, you can purchase felt paper to protect the roof sheathing. Install the felt paper before you install the metal roof edge.



2. Install shingles according to the instructions on the wrapper. If you need more detailed instructions on installing shingles, there are good publications online.

Building Tip: Install ridge vent (not included) in lieu of shingles caps. Ridge vent provides ideal ventilation, preventing heat and moisture from damaging your building or its contents.

Shingles

Building Size 16' x 12' 20' x 12'		Material List	
9 bdl.	11 bdl.	Roof Shingles by Owner	
8 pcs.	9 pcs.	Roof 'drip' Edge-10' by Owner	

Optional ridge vent provides ideal ventilation.

Air — Space

12'x16' Packing List

7	2x	4 for Collar Ties 82"			
18	2x	4 for Truss Rafters 80-1/2"			
4	2x	4 for Wall Plates 80-1/4"			
_ 51	2x	4 for Wall Studs & Plates 72"			
5	2x	4 for Wall Plates 68-1/2"			
2	2x	2x4 for Door Header 67-1/2"			
4	2x	44 for Wall Plates 48"			
4	2x	4 for Wall Plates 34-3/4"			
4	2x	2x4 for Gable Studs 23-1/2"			
2	2x	2x4 for Door Header 31-1/2"			
22	2x	4 for Soffit Blocks 5" or longer			
14	Tr	uss Gussets 7/16" 8" x 16"			
2	OS	SB Gusset 3/4" 3-1/2" x 32"			
1	ea	Pre-built Doors 28" x 71-3/4"			
2	ea	Pre-built Doors 32" x 71-3/4"			
		LP Primed Exterior Siding			
_ 9	ea	Siding Panels 48" x 75-3/4"			
4	ea	Siding Panels 24" x 75-3/4"			
2	ea	Siding Panels 16" x 75-3/4"			
2	ea	Siding Panels 9-3/4" x 75-3/4"			
2	ea	Gable Siding 48" x 40" angle cut			
4	ea	Gable Siding 48" x 28" angle cut			
9	ea	Soffit Panels 48" x 7"			
6	ea	Filler Panels 48" x 4-1/4"			
3	ea	Siding Panels 48" x 4-1/4"			
4	ea.	Siding Fillers 3-1/2" x 2-1/2"			
1	ea	OSB Door Filler 3-1/4" x 67-1/4"			
1	ea	OSB Door Filler 3-1/4" x 31-1/4"			

3	1 lb.	box	10d	Sinkers
_2	1 lb.	box		Hanger Nails
_5	1 lb.	box	6d	Galv.
3	1 lb.	box	6d	Common
9	ea.	5"	Door 1	Hinges
_2	ea.	4"	Door 1	Latch
2	ea.	6"	Barrel	Bolts
38	ea.	2"	Hinge	Screws
38	ea.	1-1/4"	Hinge	Screws
45	ea.	1-1/2"	Exteri	or Screws
115	ea.	2-1/2"	Deck	Screws
16	ea.	3/4"	Pan H	ead Screws
6	ea.	1"x4"	Metal	Plates
14	ea.	H1 Metal	Truss 1	Hangers
4	ea.	1x4 Gable	e Trim	82-1/2"
4	ea.	1x4 Fascia Trim		72"
2	ea.	1x4 Fascia Trim		52"
_4	ea.	1x4 Corner Trim 7		75-3/4"
4	ea.	1x3 Corner Trim 75-3/4"		75-3/4"
6	ea.	1x4 Wall Trim 46-3/4"		
4	ea.	1x3 Door Trim 72"		
1	ea.	1x3 Door Trim 35"		
2	ea.	1x6 Keys	tone	8-1/2"
		Rooj	f Sheat	thing
4	ea.	Sheathing	7/16"	48" x 72"
2	ea.	Sheathing	Sheathing 7/16" 48" x :	
2	ea.	Sheathing 7/16" 36-1/2" x 75		
2	ea.	Sheathing	7/16"	36-1/2" x 72"
2	ea.	Sheathing	7/16"	36-1/2" x 48"