SHIRE

BUILT AROUND OUR REPUTATION

Brigstock Road, Wisbech PE13 3JJ

Assembly of Lodge Playhouse CE

Adult Assembly Only - do not attempt to modify this building

Thank you and congratulations on the purchase of your Shire garden building. We believe that this product will give you many years of excellent service. This is a natural product manufactured to a high standard therefore if you have any queries or experience any difficulties then please contact our customer service hotline on **01945 465 295**.

Normal office hours: 8.30 am to 5.00 pm Monday to Friday.



Preparation of base

We recommend that the base onto which your building will stand should be at least 75mm larger in each direction than the total floor size of the building.
Floor area of the building: 2390x2690 (8'x9') including verandah.
Total height clearance: 2606mm
The chosen position in your garden for the siting of the building should be excavated to a depth of 75mm to allow a base of sand, on to which paving slabs can be evenly laid - **THEY MUST BE LEVEL AND FIRM.**

Treatment/care of your Garden Building

Treat with a suitable decorative wood finish immediately. We recommend that all timber pieces be treated again prior to assembly and again within 3 months of assembly. We further recommend that all pieces are treated again at least annually or as frequently as the instructions on the product used recommends.
We would suggest that all wall panels be treated in an upside-down position to allow the finish/treatment to ingress into the tongue and groove jointing.
We would also remind you that you would rarely (if ever) be able to re-treat the underside of the floor following assembly. We strongly recommend that the underside of the floor is treated an absolute minimum of twice (not including pre-treatment).
Garden buildings are not waterproof, therefore on assembling building we recommend using a silicon based sealant between wall panels and between wall panels and floor.

TOOLS REQUIRED

- Hammer
- Step ladder
- Sand paper
- Battery-powered drill/screwdriver
- 8mm drill
- Pencil
- Tape measure
- Gloves
- Sharp knife and saw

Building Photographs

It will be greatly appreciated if you could forward images of your completed building to - sales@shiregb.co.uk.

IMPORTANT!

PLEASE READ PRIOR TO ASSEMBLY OF THE BUILDING

EVERY PRECAUTION IS TAKEN TO ENSURE THAT YOUR BUILDING HAS NO ELEMENT INCORRECTLY PLACED OR POSSIBLY HAZARDOUS, HOWEVER PRIOR TO USE PLEASE CHECK ALL SURFACES FOR THE FOLLOWING:

1 RAISED GRAIN, SPLINTERS: sand down timber to smooth finish

2 NAIL/SCREW/PIN HEADS PROUD: tap home to be flush with surface of timber

3 DAMAGED SCREW HEADS RESULTING IN SHARP SPLINTERS OF METAL: replace

4 SHARP ENDS OF NAILS/ SCREWS/ PINS PROTRUDING THROUGH THE PANEL: remove and reposition.

5 ENSURE ALL PARTS ARE SECURED AGAINST REASONABLE FORCE: remove and refit

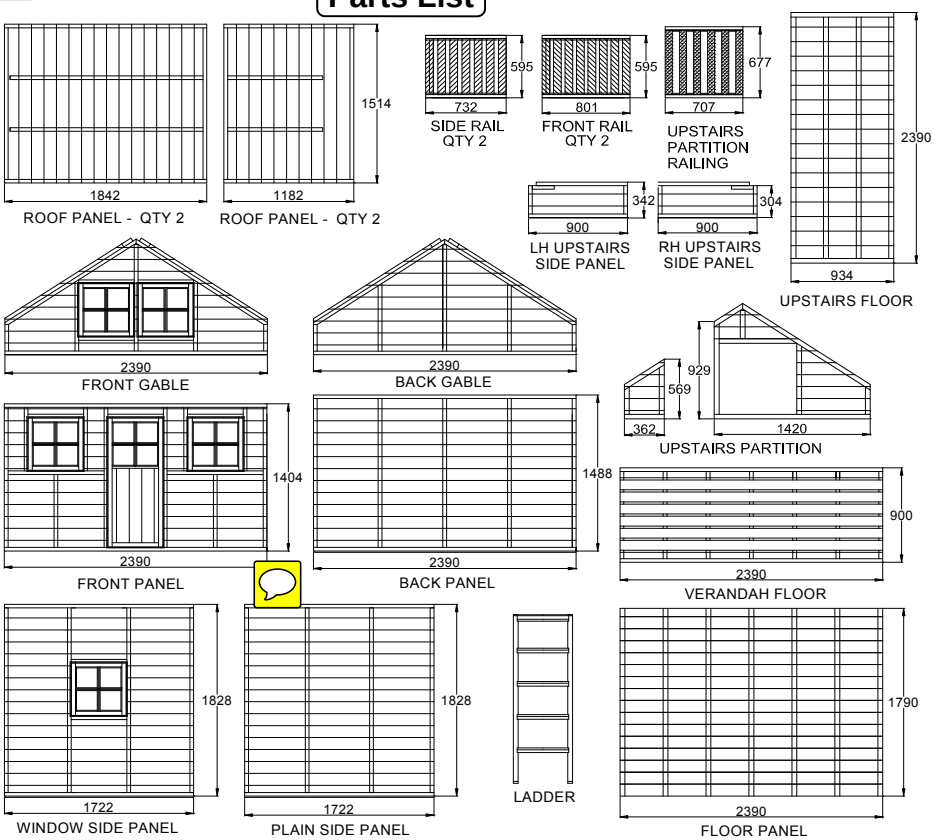
6 ENSURE THERE ARE NO LOOSE PARTS: remove and refit/discard

We recommend that protective gloves be worn throughout

PLEASE NOTE

Wood is a natural product and is therefore prone to changes in appearance, including some warping, movement and splitting, particularly during unusual climatic conditions (long hot or wet spells of weather). As a natural occurrence this is not covered by a guarantee.

Parts List



QTY	DESCRIPTION				
4	Frame 44x44x1319mm	1	Ring handle	104	60mm screws
4	Frame 44x70x1319mm	1	Wooden knob	1	45mm flat head screw
4	Frame 44x44x820mm	2	Vents	4	25mm black screws
4	Frame 44x70x889mm	2	Fascia profiled	50	40mm nails
24	Glazing	2	Fascia plain	250	Felt nails
96	Beading	2	Diamonds	192	15mm panel pins
		52	80mm screws	2	Felt roll 6.4mtr x 1mtr

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A Floor & Walls

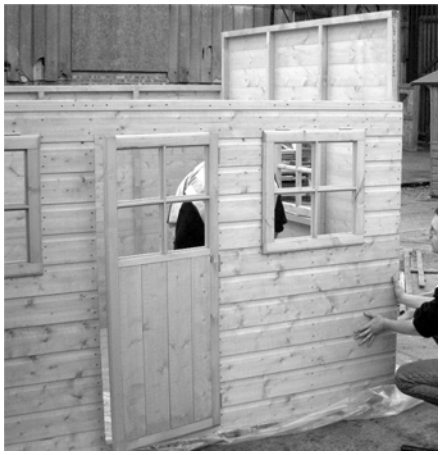
Remove all travel protection blocks from bottom edge of panels.

1. Ensure that your base is firm and absolutely level.
2. Lay floor of building on base.
3. Pre drill panels in 2 places, top and bottom.
4. Place back panel onto floor ensuring the cladding has overhung the floor. The front and back panels extend from floor edge to floor edge.



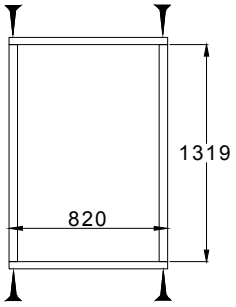


5. Place side panel next to back panel and join together from the inside using 2 x 60 mm screws
6. Place other side in position and join to back panel from the inside using 2 x 60 mm screws.

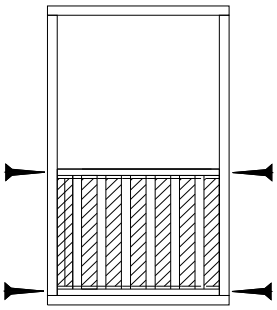


7. Place front panel in position and join to side panels from the inside using 2 x 60 mm screws per side.

B Verandah Side Railing

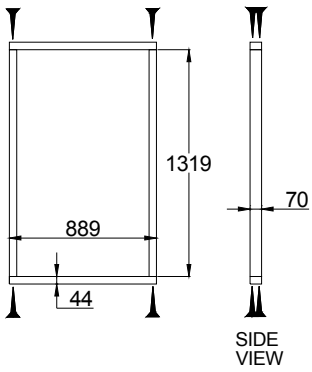


1. Place two 44 x 44 x 820 mm pieces of framework on a flat level surface. Position two 44 x 44 x 1319 mm pieces of framework between the 820 mm pieces. Secure together using 4 x 80 mm screws, one at each end.



2. Position side rail within framework. Secure together through the frame into railing framework at the top and bottom using 2 x 80 mm screws per side.
3. Repeat for other side rail.

C Verandah Front Railing



1. Place two 44 x 70 x 889 mm pieces of framework on a flat level surface. The 44 mm side will be facing upwards. Position two 44 x 70 x 1319 mm of framework inside the 889 mm pieces. Secure together using 8 x 80 mm screws, two per end.
2. Secure front rail within the frame as per side rail.
3. Repeat for other front rail.

D Verandah Assembly



1. Position verandah floor against front of building.



2. Place side railing against front of building inline with edge of verandah floor. Secure to front panel of using 2 x 60 mm screws, one at the top and one at the bottom.



3. Secure side railing to verandah floor through floor bearers using 2 x 60 mm screws. You will need to position the screws at an angle.
4. Repeat for other side rail.



5. Place front railing against side railing, ensuring rail is flush and square. Secure rails together through side railing using 2 x 60 mm screws, one at the top and one at the bottom.
6. Secure front railing to verandah floor through floor bearers using 2 x 60 mm screws. Again you will need to position the screws at an angle.
7. Repeat for other front rail.



8. Position upstairs floor on top of front panel and railings. Secure through railings into upstairs floor framework using 8 x 80 mm screws, 2 per railing.
9. From inside of building, secure through front panel framework into upstairs floor using 4 x 80 mm screws.

E Upstairs Side Panel



1. Position upstairs side panel on top of upstairs floor and next to main side panel. Make sure the cut-out in the panel is next to the main side panel. Secure panels together using 2 x 60 mm screws.



2. Secure upstairs side panel to floor using 2 x 60 mm screws.
3. Repeat for other side.

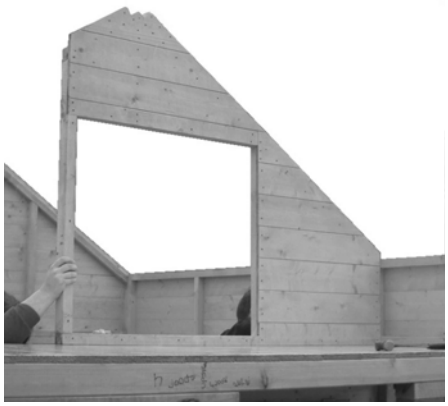
F Gable Assembly



1. Place back gable on top of back panel. Secure through back panel framework into gable framework using 8 x 60 mm screws.



2. Join side panel to gable through framework using 2 x 60 mm screws per side.



3. Place large partition panel onto upstairs floor. Secure to floor through panel framework using 4 x 60 mm screws. Secure to side panel using 2 x 60 mm screws.
4. Position small partition panel. Secure to floor through panel framework using 2 x 60 mm screws. Secure to side panel using 2 x 60 mm screws.



5. Place upstairs partition railing into aperture of large partition panel. Secure through panel framework into railing using 2 x 60 mm screws, one at the top and one at the bottom. Repeat for other side of railing.





6. Place front gable onto upstairs floor. Secure through panel framework into floor using 8 x 60 mm screws. Secure to small side panels using 2 x 60 mm screws per side.

G Roof Assembly



1. Slide large back roof panel into position using the cut out at the ridge of the back gable and the cut out in the side panel as a guide.



The front of the panel will rest on part of the partition panel framework. Note: The roof panel has a gap at one end of the bearers, this goes at the back of the building. Repeat for other large back roof panel.
2. Slide front roof panels into position using the cut out at the ridge of the front gable and the cut out in the side panels as a guide. The back of the panels rest on the partition framework.
3. Secure front and back roof panels together through framework, from the inside, using 2 x 60 mm screws per side.
4. Secure roof panels together at the ridge, from the inside, using 4 x 60 mm screws.



5. Secure roof panels to gable ends through gable framework into roof bearers using 2 x 60 mm screws per roof panel.
6. Secure to ridge of partition using 1 x 60 mm screws per roof panel.
7. Secure along the length of building through roof panel into framework of walls using 5 x 40 mm nails per side.

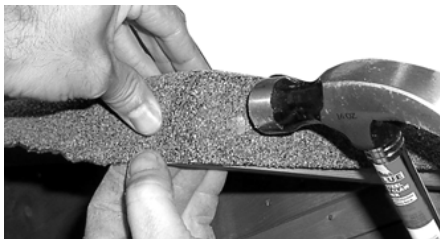
H Felt Roof



1. Open both rolls of felt, fold in half and cut to produce 4 equal lengths.



2. Starting at the lower edge of the roof (the eaves) place one piece of felt along the length of the building allowing an overhang of approx. 50 mm on all sides. Secure the felt using felt nails spaced at approx 100mm intervals, but do not nail along the centre of the roof until the next piece of felt covering the ridge is in place. Repeat for other side.
3. Place the third piece of felt along the length of the building overlapping the first piece and the ridge. Secure using felt nails spaced at approx 100 mm intervals. Repeat for other side.



4. Carefully trim the corners and secure using 2 x felt nails at each side.

I Cover Strips



1. Fix cover strips at the corners and where panels meet using 4 x 40 mm nails per strip.

J Secure Walls to Floor



1. Secure wall panels to the floor on the inside of the building through framework into floor bearers using 2 x 60 mm screws per panel.

K Fascia & Diamonds



1. Secure the profiled fascia to front gable end using 3 x 40 mm nails per piece.
Secure plain fascia to back gable using 3 x 40 mm nails per piece.
2. Trim off any excess felt with cutting knife against edge of fascia board.



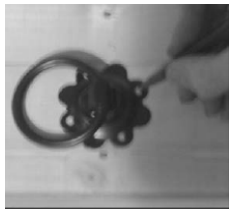
3. Fix diamond on top of and in the centre of the fascia board using 2 x 40 mm nails per diamond.

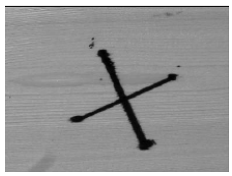
L Gazing

1. Place glazing material into the aperture of each window.
2. Hold glazing in position with four pieces of beading. Secure beading in position using 2 x 15 mm panel pins per piece of beading. Repeat for all window apertures.



M Door Knob Assembly



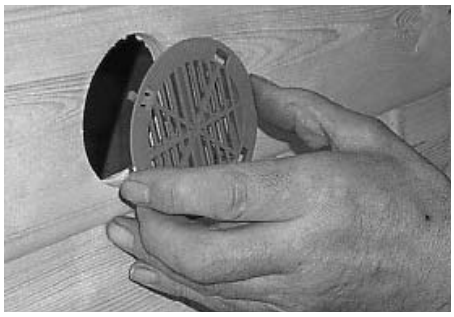


1. Place ring handle halfway up the door making sure you are central to door bearer. Mark the holes. Join holes with a marker to find the centre. Drill centre point only.
2. Place wooden handle on the inside of the door and screw from the outside using the hole just drilled and 1 x 45 mm flat head screw.
3. Secure ring handle using 4 x 25 mm black screws.

N Ladder & Vents



1. Attach the ladder to the upstairs floor using 2 x 60 mm screws and attach to the ground floor using 2 x 60 mm screws.



2. Push fit vents into the apertures of the back gable panel.

. Assembly Completion Checklist

1 Check and ensure that no raised grain or splinters are evident on timber components. Sand down any raised grain or splinters using fine grade sandpaper.
2 Check that all screw, nail and pin heads are properly tapped home and are not proud of the timber surface.
3 Check and ensure that no screws, nails or pins protrude through any panel.
4 Check and ensure that all parts are properly secured against reasonable force.
5 Do not apply decorative wood finish/treatments to wet or damp timber. Please observe the instructions of the wood finish/treatment manufacturer.
6 Adults need to check the playhouse regularly and maintain the playhouse in good condition to provide a safe environment. Do not use if damaged. If damaged the playhouse should be properly and safely repaired before further use by children.