

8x12 SpaceMaker - Bevel Assembly Manual

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Thank you for purchasing a 8x12 SpaceMaker. Please take the time to identify all the parts prior to assembly.

Safety Points and Other Considerations Our products are built for use based on proper installation on level ground and normal residential use. Please follow the instruction manual when building your shed and retain the manual for future maintenance purposes.

Customers are responsible for ensuring a solid, level, well-draining site for construction.

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- Snow load ratings vary by geographical location. If heavy or wet snowfall occurs, it is advisable to sweep snow off roof frequently.
- If the product is elevated, any structural and building code requirements are solely the customer's responsibility, and should be abided by.
- In areas with high or gusty wind conditions, it is advisable to install the structure securely to the ground.
- Have a regular maintenance plan to ensure screws, doors, windows and parts are tightly affixed.

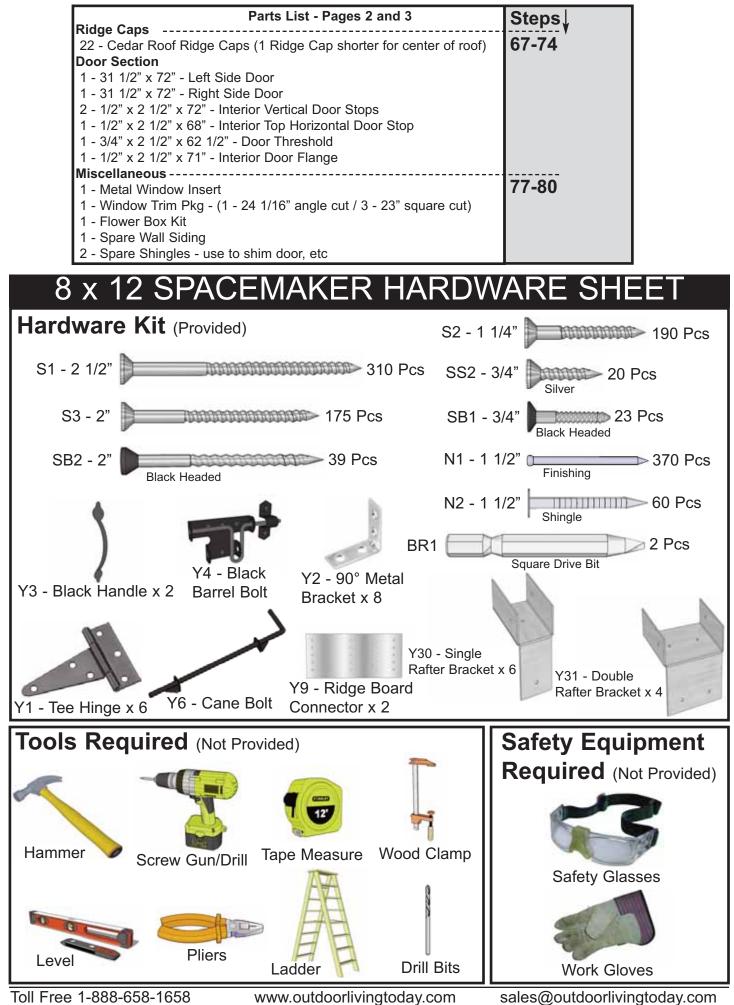
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What Can I Do Before My Shed Arrives?

Before starting your project become familiar with this assembly manual and determine if you can complete the project yourself or will require a professional contractor. Please note that certain counties and municipalities require building permits prior to installation. We recommend to all consumers that they check with their local county/municipality for these specifics prior to purchasing any of our products since this is your sole responsibility.

Prior to the product arriving, clear the construction area. Remove all debris; roots, grass, rocks, etc. Make sure the ground slopes away from the site at least 10 feet in all directions. If necessary, build up the soil in the center of the site and slope away for the high point to provide drainage. Fill in any low spots within the perimeter of the site. A slope of 1/8 inch per foot is enough to prevent water accumulation. We recommend excavating the site 4-6 inches deep and laying gravel or crushed rock where drainage may be a concern.

What type of foundation should I use?

Patio Stone Foundation : If the ground is stable and has sufficient drainage, you can set patio stones directly on firm compacted soil. If not, consider laying down sand and then gravel or crushed rock. Excavate the site making it about 12" wider and longer than the floor footprint. Excavate down approximately 4-6 inches deep. Lay 1-2 inches of sand first and then fill with 3-4 inches of gravel or rock for good drainage and support. Most of our sheds and playhouses include floors with support runners. Support each runner with 4-5 patio stones (less for smaller sheds). Patio stones can be anything from a mid size brick to a round our square 12" long by 1 1/2" thick stone. Place stones directly under the floor runners, check for level and adjust height as necessary. Having a solid and level foundation is the most critical piece of work you can do to make the project go smoothly. Most of this work can be done prior to your shed arriving!

4x4 Pressure Treated Beam Foundation : You can build directly on pressure-treated beams or railroad ties laid on a properly prepared construction site as mentioned above. Run beams perpendicular to floor runners. Use a 2x4 straight piece of lumber on edge and a carpenter's level to position correctly. To prevent the beams from shifting, secure them with ½ inch rebar inserted through holes drilled in the beams and driven 3 to 4 feet into the ground. Leave each side or end of the foundation open to promote drainage and air circulation beneath the floor. Consider using a wire mesh or equivalent to prevent pesky critters from gaining access on ends.

Concrete - Slab Foundation : Typically a slab 3-4 inches thick laid over a sub-base of 4 inches of gravel or crushed rock is sufficient but may vary depending on your geographic location. Using either mix your own concrete or having it delivered by truck, ready to pour, depends on how much time and effort you have to dedicate to the project. In any event, make sure you excavate the slab area to a depth 6 inches. This would put the finished slab surface approximately 2 inches above ground (remember you will be using 4 inches of gravel as your subbase). For example, a slab for our 8'x12' SpaceMaker Shed will require approximately 1 cubic yard of premixed concrete.

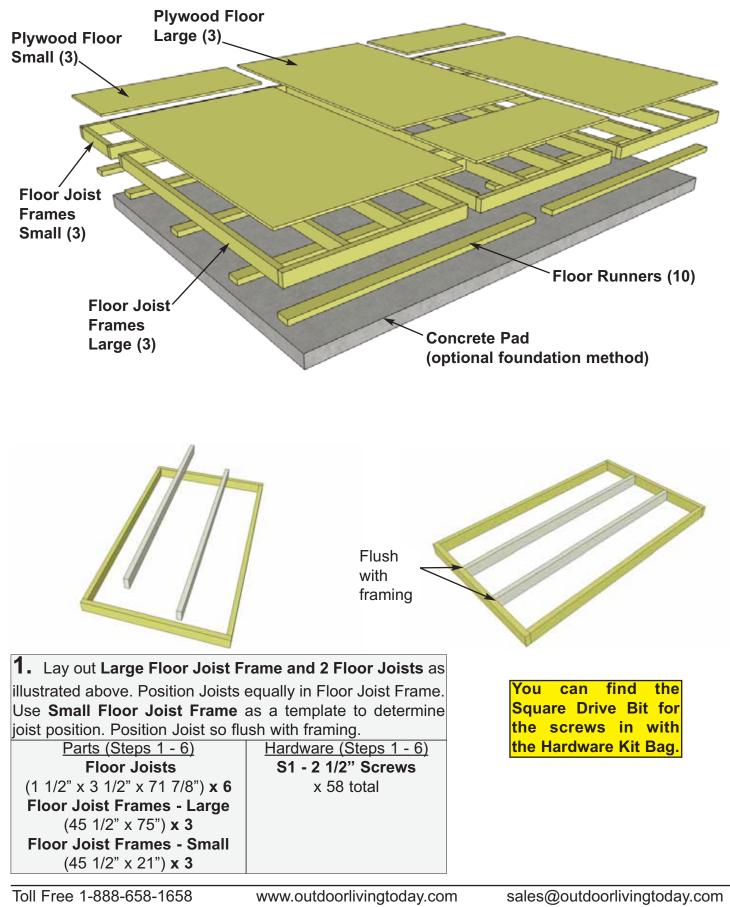
For more detailed information on how to pour your concrete-slab foundation or any other questions regarding specifications, foundations and permits, please visit our website at

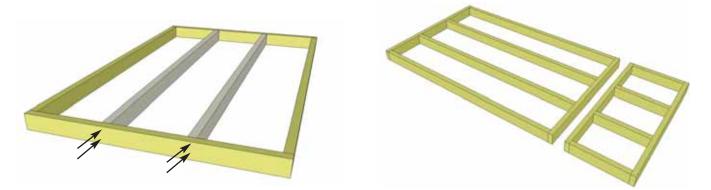
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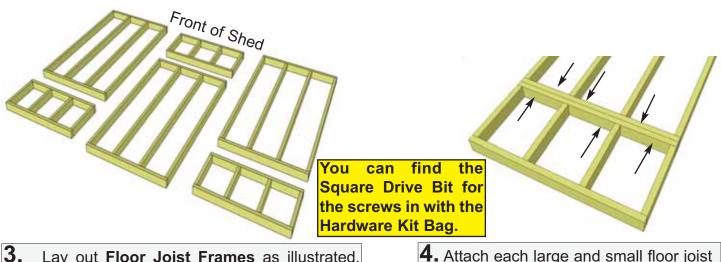
A. Floor Section

Exploded view of all parts necessary to complete Floor Section. Identify all parts prior to starting. Note: Floor Footprint is 136 1/2" wide x 96" deep.

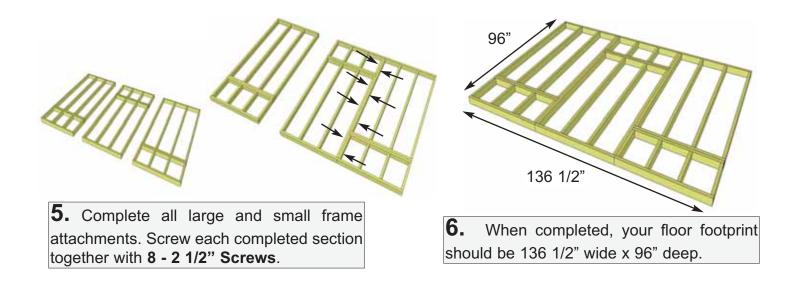


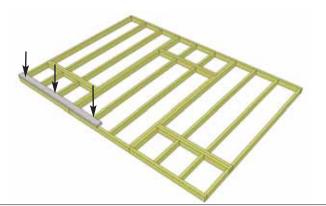


 When correctly positioned, attach each Joist with 4 - 2 1/2" Screws (2 per end). You can find the Square Drive Screw Bit in the Hardware Kit Bag.



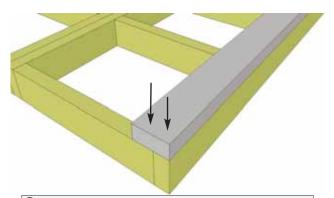
3. Lay out **Floor Joist Frames** as illustrated. There are 3 larger and 3 smaller Frame Sections. The Footprint for the floor when attached together will be 136 1/2" wide x 96" deep. **4.** Attach each large and small floor joist frame together with **6 - 2 1/2**" **Screws** per section.



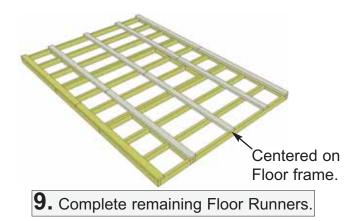


7. Attach **Floor Runners** to completed floor frame. There are 2 Floor Runners per 136 1/2" side and 5 completed Runners in total. Use **6 - 2 1/2" Screws** per Runner.

Parts (Steps 7 - 9)	Hardware (Steps 7 - 9)	
Floor Runners	S1 - 2 1/2" Screws	
(1 1/2" x 3 1/2" x 68 3/16") x 10	x 60 total	



8. Make sure Runners are flush with outside and front and rear floor framing but not overhanging.

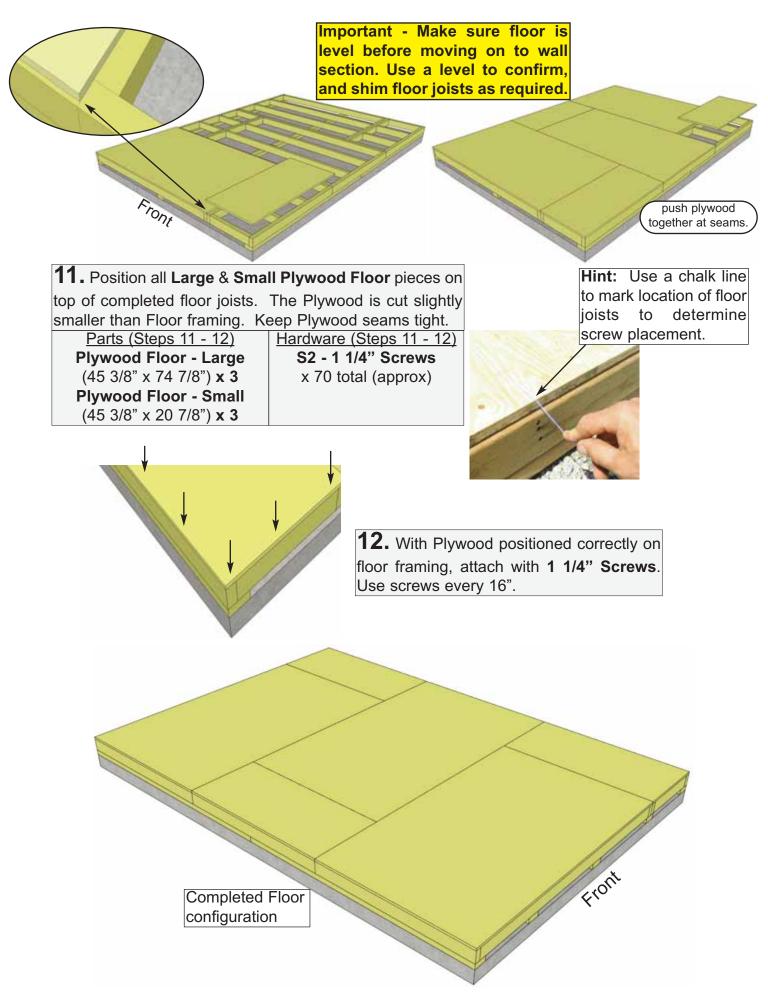


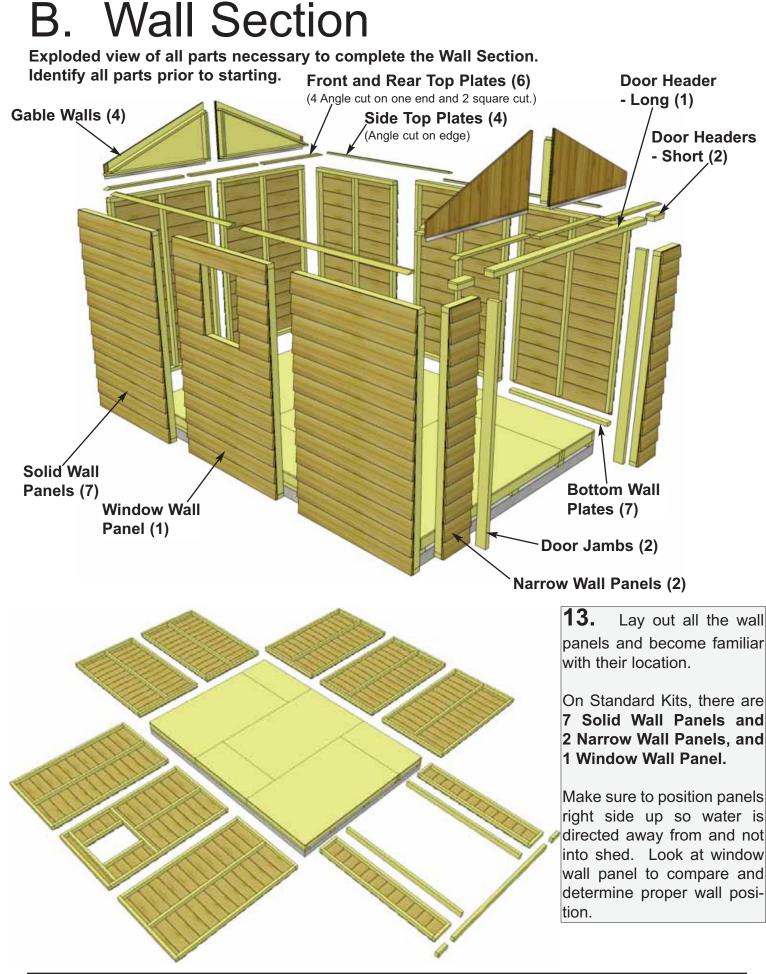
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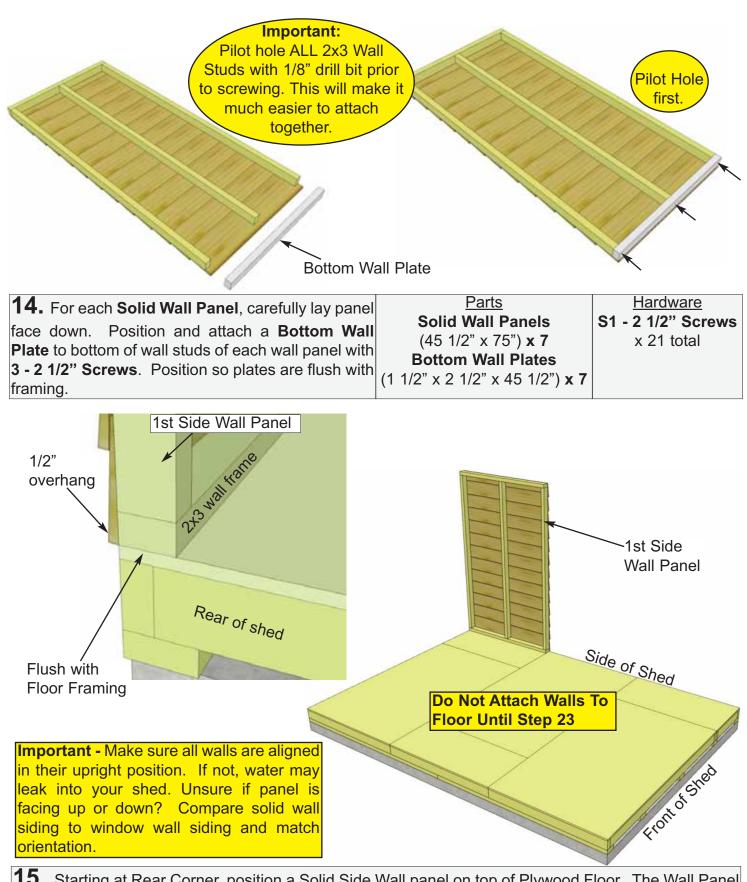
Note: The floor will be flipped over and the floor runners will sit on your foundation. It is important to note, that having a level foundation is critical. Choosing a foundation will vary between regions. Typical foundations can be concrete pads or patio stones positioned underneath the floor runners.



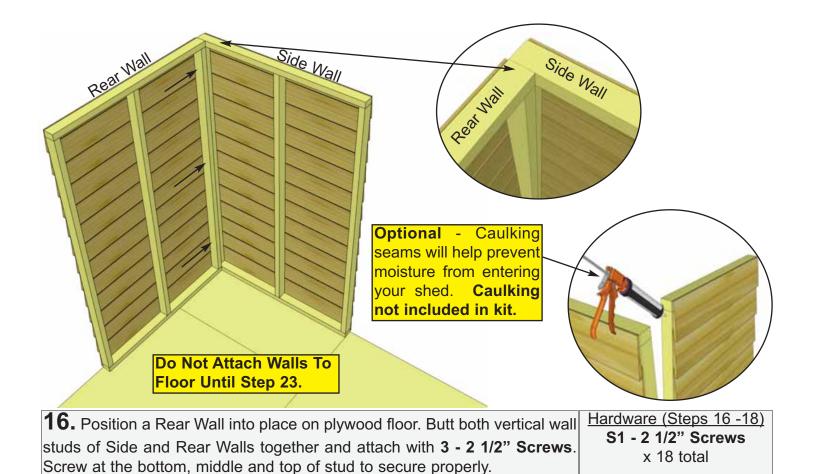
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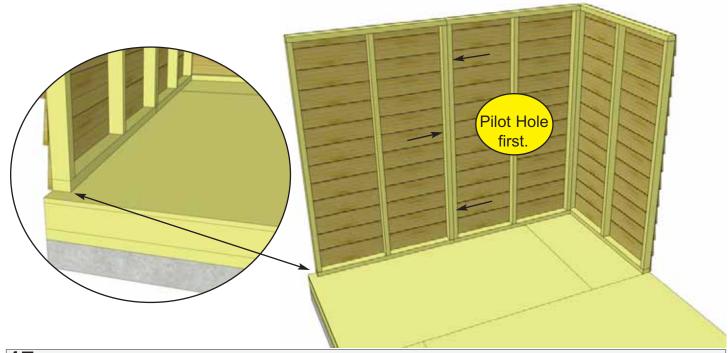




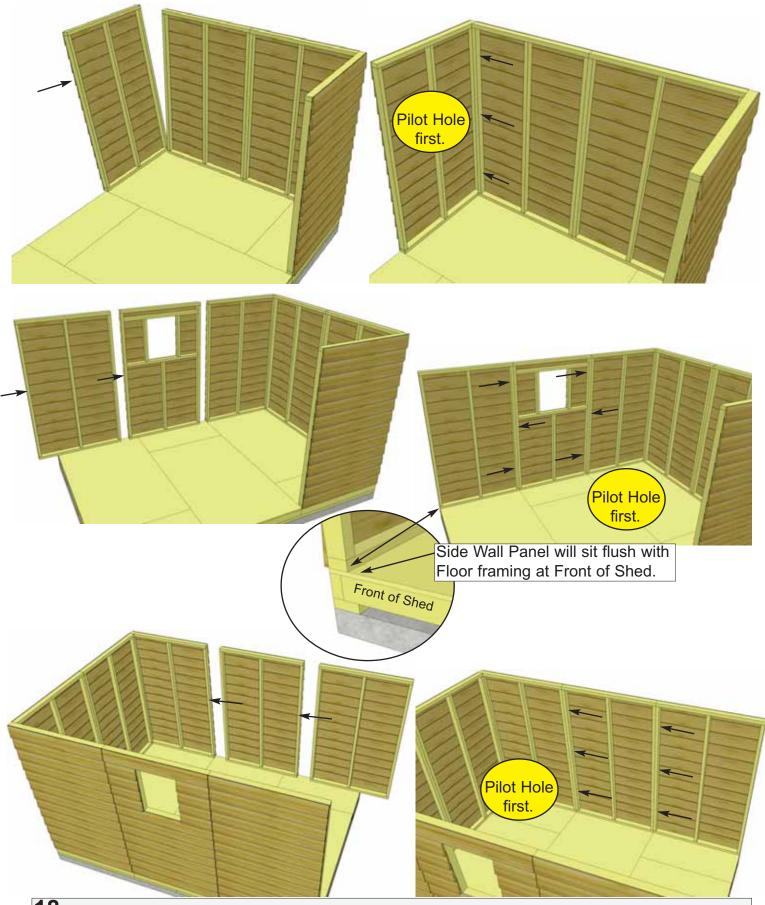


15. Starting at Rear Corner, position a Solid Side Wall panel on top of Plywood Floor. The Wall Panel bottom framing will sit flush with Floor framing. Wall siding will overhang the floor. The Side Wall panels will sit flush at the end of the Plywood Floor with the Rear Wall panels sandwiched between them. **Note:** Siding will overhang the Floor by approximately 1/2".

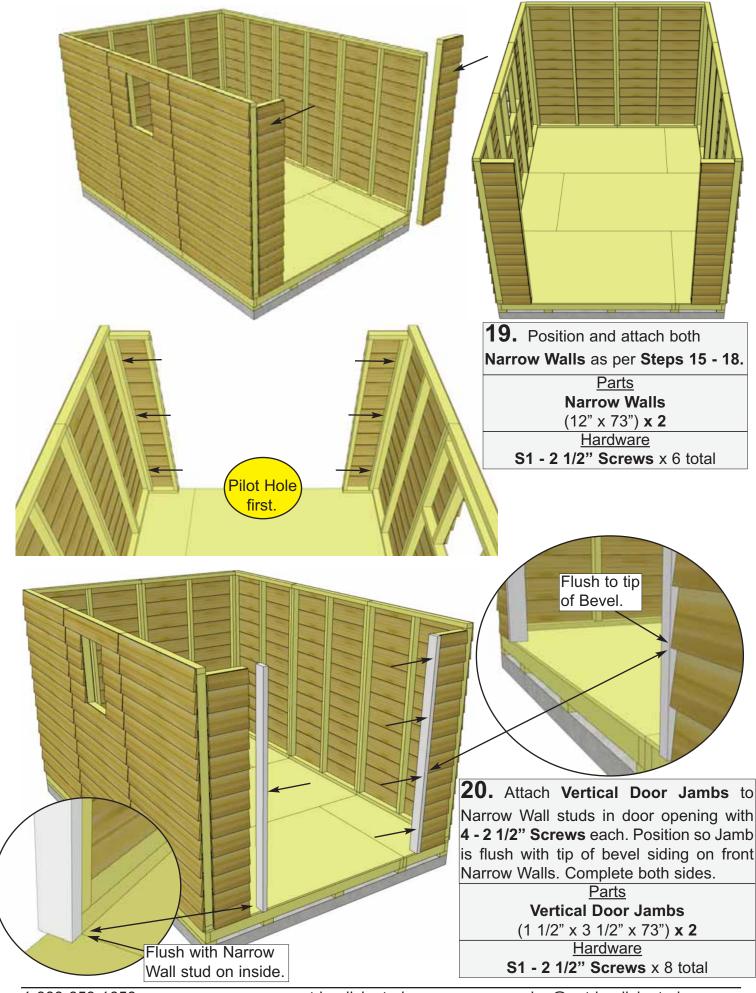




17. With the corner wall attachment complete, position a second Rear Wall panel in place so bottom 2x3 wall framing is sitting flush with outside floor joists and plywood floor. Wall siding should overhang floor by approximately 1/2". When positioned correctly, attach both Rear Wall panel studs together as shown.

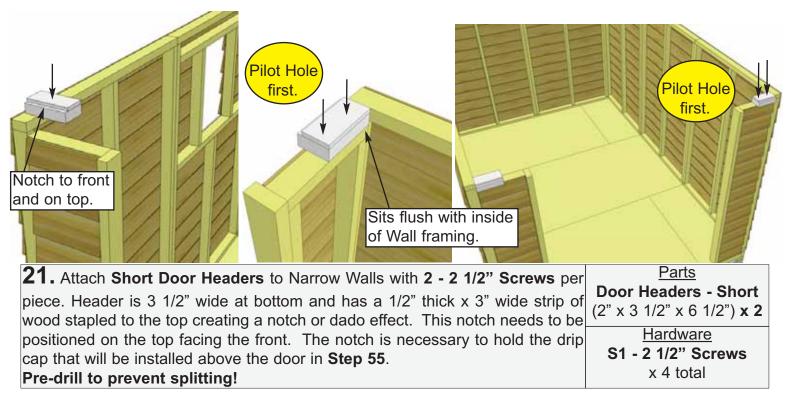


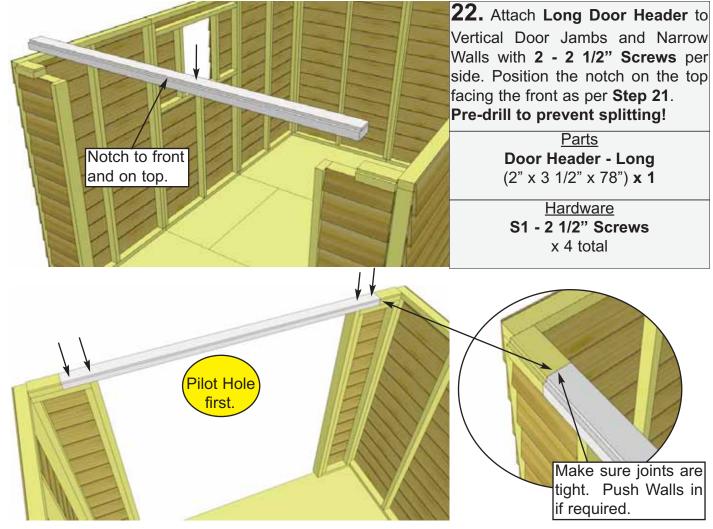
18. Complete all Side and Rear Solid Wall and Window Wall attachments as per **Steps 15 - 17**.



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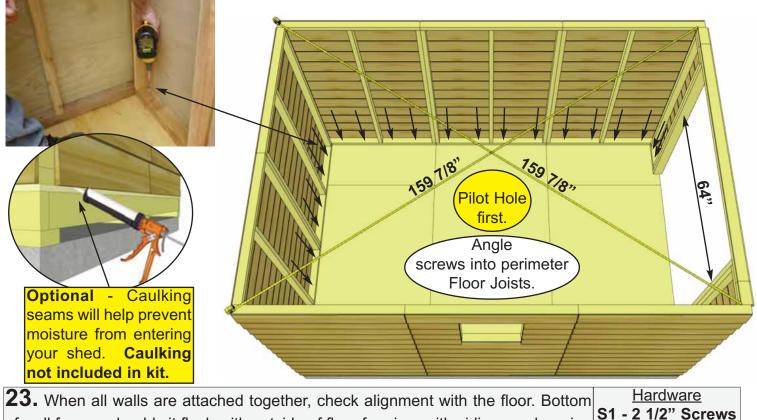
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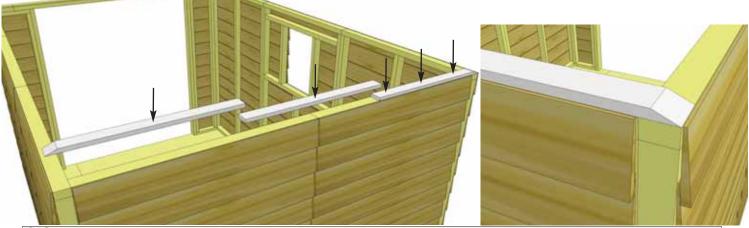


Advice: Prior to fastening walls and installing rafters, take time to confirm your walls are level, square and plumb.

Measure diagonal at top and bottom of walls corner-to-corner. This should be approximately 159 7/8". More importantly, if measurements are not within 1/4", your walls are not square. Adjusting now will make it easier to install roof section.



of wall frames should sit flush with outside of floor framing, with siding overhanging by approximately 1/2". Confirm 64" wide door opening at bottom. When positioned correctly, fasten Bottom Wall Plates to floor using **4 - 2 1/2" Screws** per wall panel.



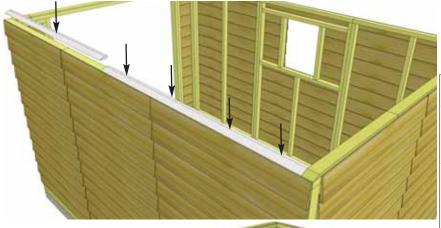
24. Position Rear Top Plates on top of wall studs so they are flush on the inside. Together, the plates should be centered evenly on the wall left to right. Attach by screwing down into top wall framing with 3 - 2" Screws per plate.
 Parts (Steps 24 - 25)

Parts (Steps 24 - 25) Front & Rear Wall Top Plates - 4 Angle Cut End, 2 Straight Cut (3/4" x 2 1/2" x 32") x 6 Side Wall Top Plates - Angle Cut Edge (3/4" x 2 1/2" x 65 3/4") x 4

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S3 - 2" Screws

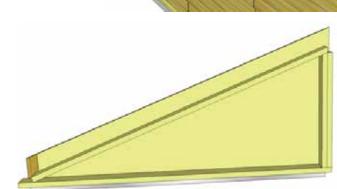
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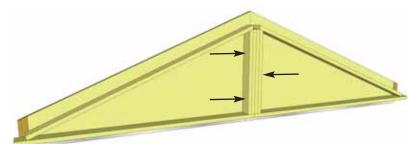


25. Next, attach the **Side Wall Top Plates**. The Side Wall Top Plates are angle cut down the length. Once again, position Top Plates on wall frame so they are flush. Side Wall Top Plates will fit between Front & Rear Plates. Attach with **4 - 2**" **Screws** per plate. Complete all other **Side & Front Top Plate** attachments the same.

Male / Female Gable

Siding Overlap.

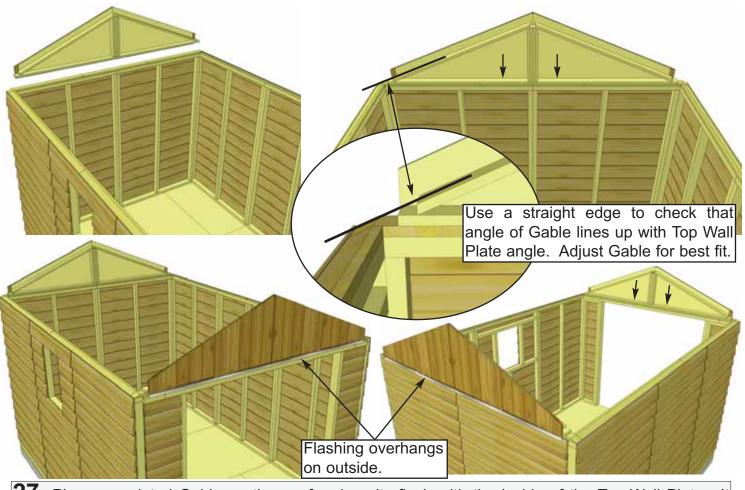




26. Locate **Triangular Gable Half Walls** for both ends of the shed. Align framing and wall siding lap together. Screw center wall framing of each piece together with **3 - 2 1/2**" **Screws**. **Note:** Prior to attaching, try each combination of Gables for best fit.

Parts Triangular Gable Half Walls x 4

<u>Hardware</u> **S1 - 2 1/2" Screws** x 6 total



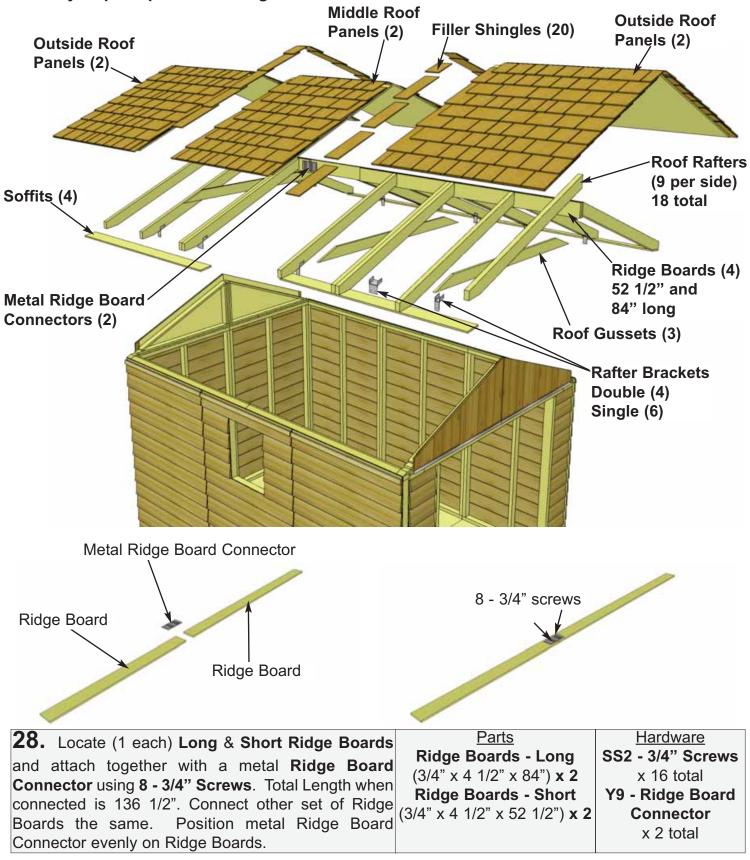
27. Place completed Gable section so framing sits flush with the inside of the Top Wall Plate. It should also be centered side-to-side on the Top Wall Plate. Gable Flashing overhangs wall on the outside. Temporarily attach to Gables and Top Wall Plate with **2 - 2**" **Screws**. Gables may need slight adjustment in **Step 37** when attachment will be completed with an additional 6 Screws. Screw from the bottom of Gable framing down into Top Wall Plate and Wall Framing. Complete Gable positioning and attachment on the other side.

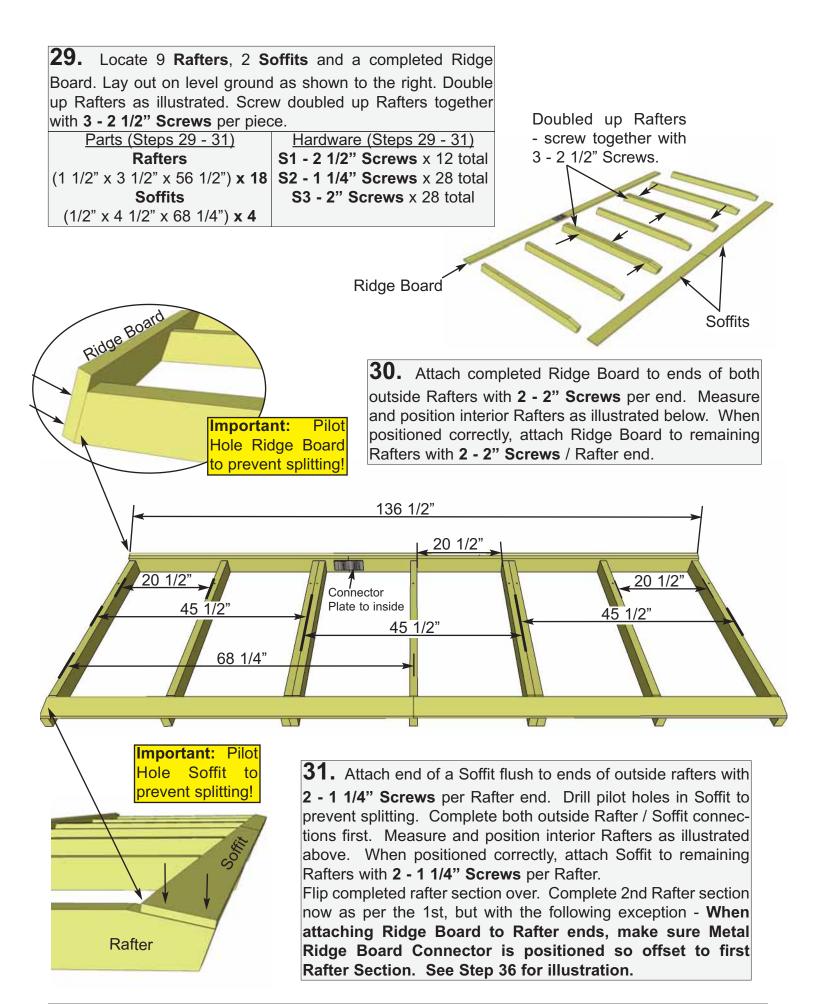
Hint: Use a straight edge to check the angle of the Gable framing and Top Plate. Both angles should line up (see diagram above).

Hardware S3 - 2" Screws x 4 total

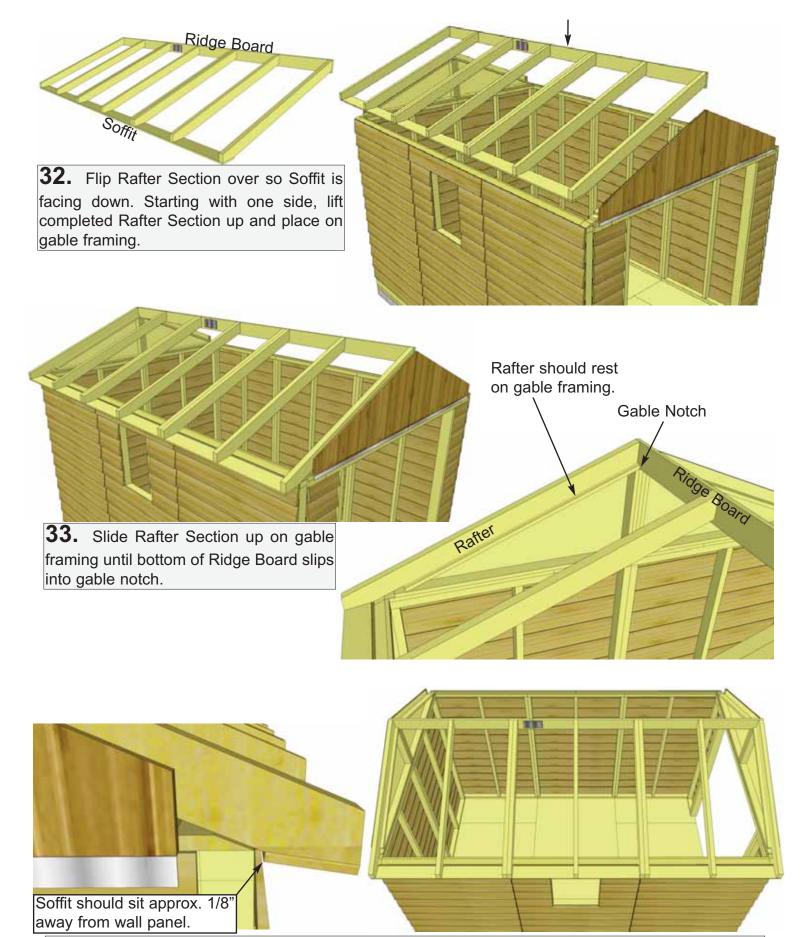
C. Rafter and Roof Section

Exploded view of all parts necessary to complete the Roof Section. Identify all parts prior to starting.





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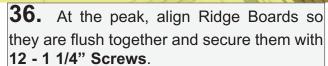
34. When Rafter Section is correctly positioned, outside rafters will sit equally on gable framing and Soffit will sit approximately 1/8" away from wall panels.

35. Place second completed Rafter Section on gable walls as per **Steps 32 - 34**.

Gable Notch

Ridge Board

Offsetting Metal Ridge Board Connectors.



Important: If there is a gap between Ridge Boards, have a helper push the Side Walls closer together from outside. Walls should be 91" apart at top from inside of wall plate to opposite wall plate. To completely secure Ridge Boards, place **1 1/4" Screws** into any of the remaining metal Ridge Board Connector holes. Complete both sides.

Hardware S2 - 1 1/4" Screws x 20 total (approx.)

37. With both Ridge Boards connected, completely secure Gable framing to walls and rafters. Use **4 - 2**" **Screws** per Rafter. Use an additional **6 - 2**" **Screws** to secure Gable to wall. **Note: you may have to remove the 2 temporary screws in Gable from**

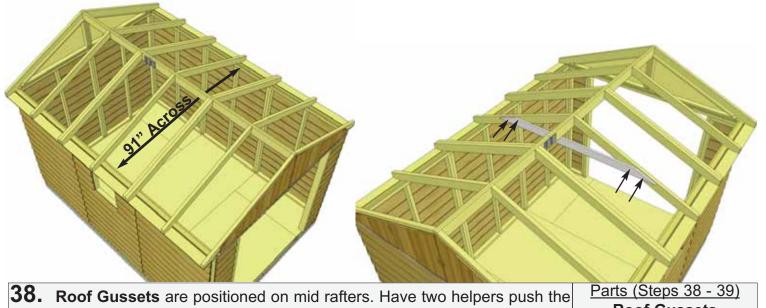
91" Acro

2 temporary screws in Gable from Step 27 and reposition Gable for best fit prior to completing Gable attachment.

> Hardware S3 - 2" Screws x 28 total

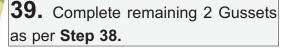
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Side Walls at the top from the outside of shed until inside to inside measurement between the Top Plates is 91". Slide Gusset up on side of Rafters. Gusset must be below top edge of Rafter. Use level to square Gusset and attach to Rafters with **4 - 2" Screws**. Pilot hole each Gusset end with 1/8" drill bit.

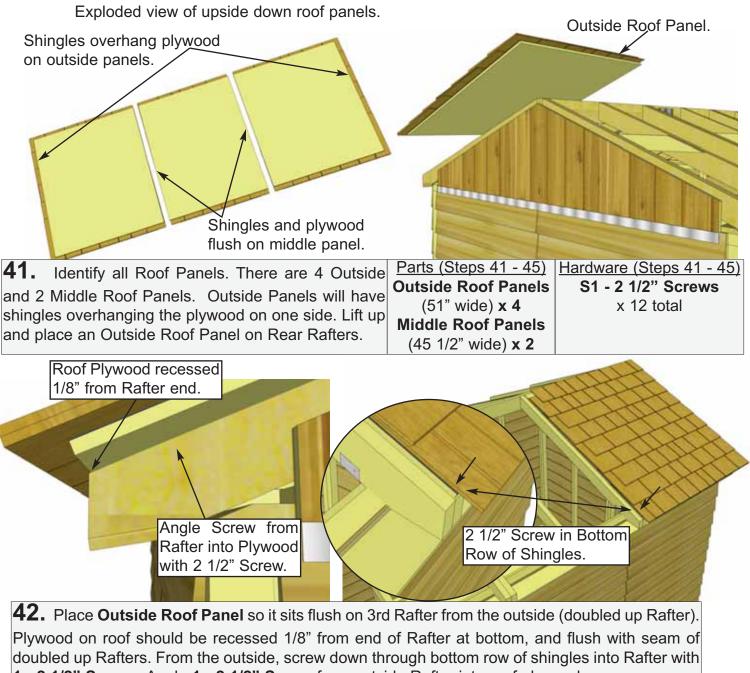
<u>Parts (Steps 38 - 39)</u> **Roof Gussets** (3/4" x 3 1/2" x 72") x 3 <u>Hardware (Steps 38 - 39)</u> **S3 - 2" Screws** x 12 total



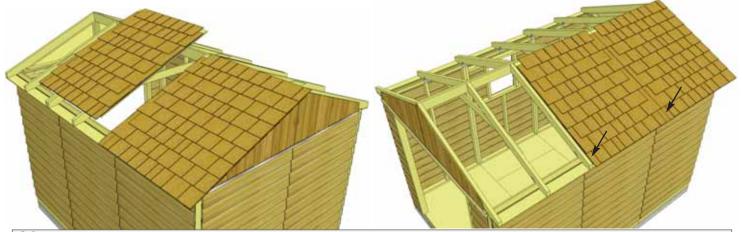
40. Attach all Single and Double Rafter Brackets where rafters meet Top Wall Plates inside of shed. Attach with **2 - 1 1/4**" **Screws** and **2 - 2**" **Screws** per **Single Rafter Bracket** and **6 - 2**" **Screws** per **Double Rafter Bracket**.

Have two helpers hold the Side Walls at the top from the outside of shed to keep the inside-to-inside measurement between the Top Plates at 91".

<u>Hardware</u> Y30 - Single Rafter Brackets x 6 total Y31 - Double Rafter Brackets x 4 total S2 - 1 1/4" Screws x 12 total S3 - 2" Screws x 36 total " Screw 2" Screws 2" Screws

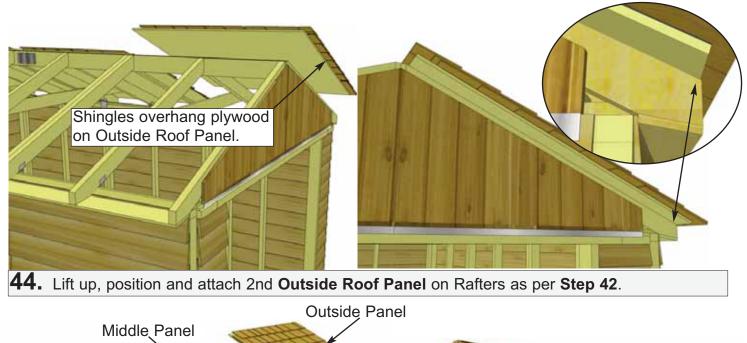


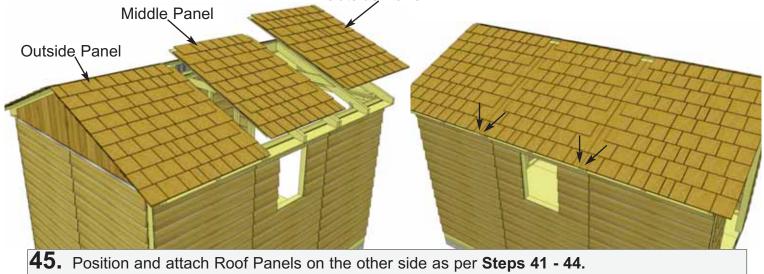
1 - 2 1/2" Screw. Angle 1 - 2 1/2" Screw from outside Rafter into roof plywood.



43. Locate a **Middle Roof Panel** (roof plywood flush with outside of shingles), and place on middle Rafters. Align panel as per **Step 42** and screw panel down to Rafters with **2 - 2 1/2**" **Screws** in the bottom row of shingles.

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46. Roof **Filler Shingles** are included to cover roof seams. Starting at the bottom, slide the first Long Shingle in until flush with other bottom shingles.

Parts (Steps 46 - 48)Hardware (Steps 46 - 48)Filler Shingles - Long x 16S1 - 2 1/2" Screws x 32 totalFiller Shingles - Short x 4N2 - 1 1/2" Shingle Nails x 8 total

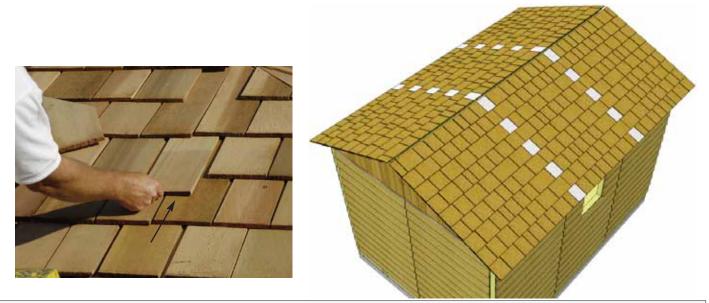
47. Screw first filler shingle down to rafters using **1 - 2 1/2" Screw** per panel (2 in total). Make sure to screw into both rafters.



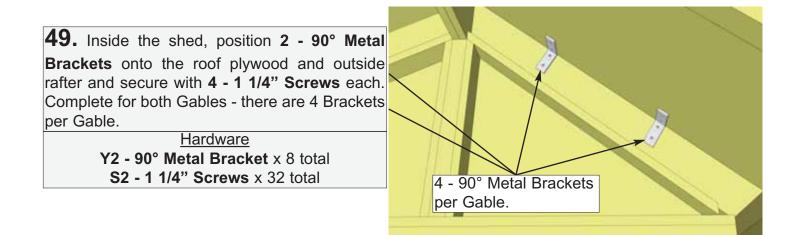
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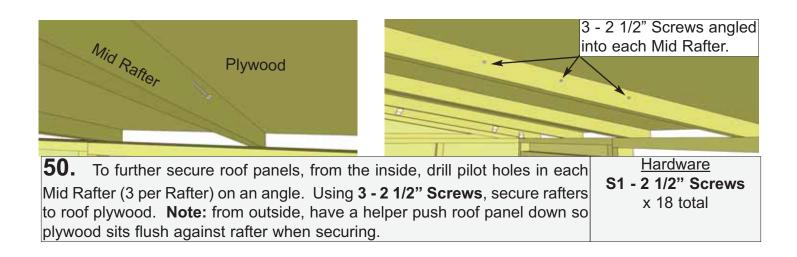
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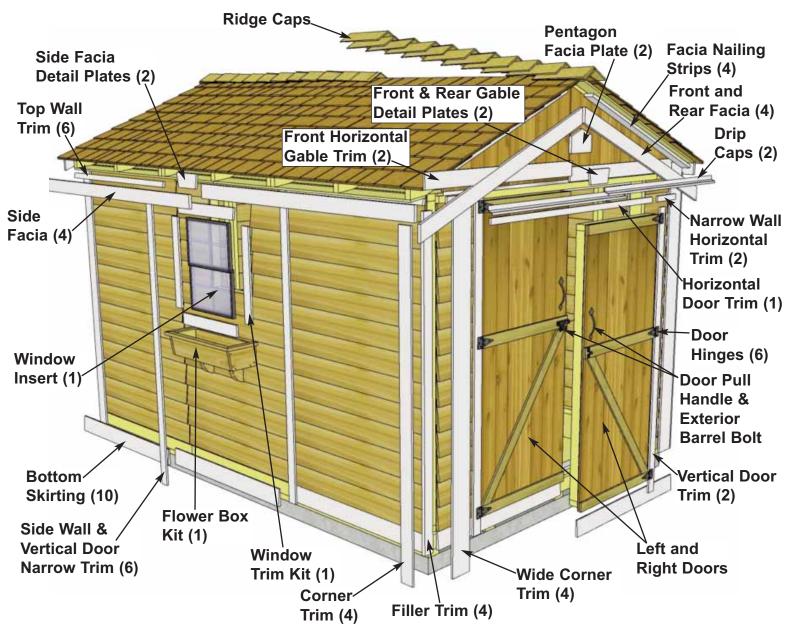
48. Slide in another filler shingle and attach as per **Step 47.** On your last row of shingles, attach smaller filler shingle with **2 - 1 1/2**" **Shingle Nails** near the top, to be covered by Ridge Caps in **Step 67**. Complete all four rows of filler shingles where roof seams meet in the same way.



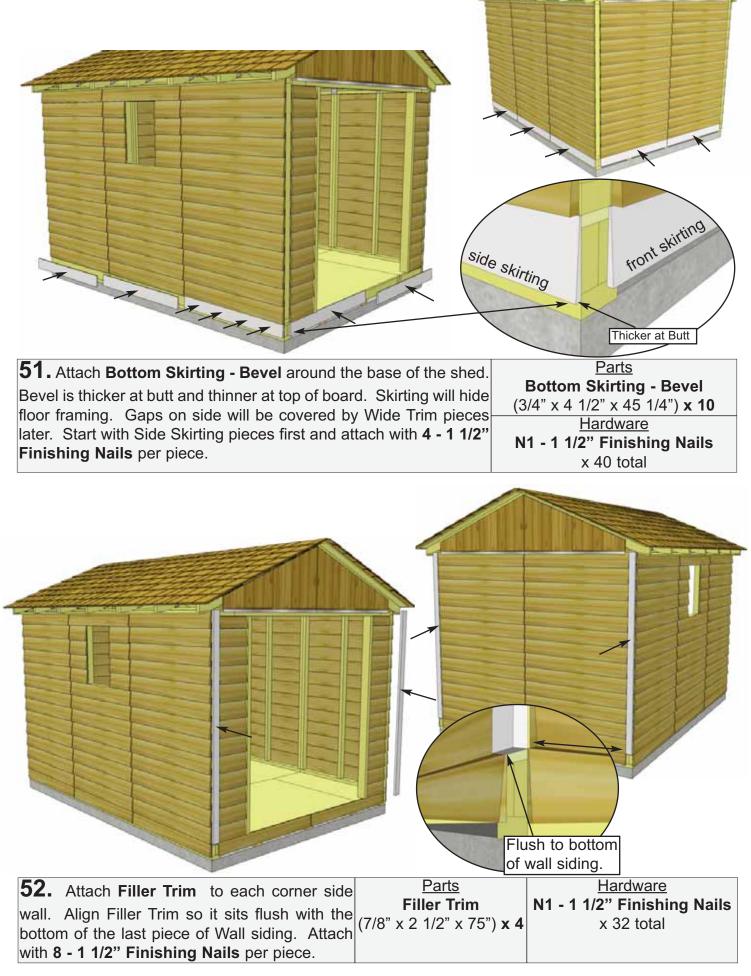


D. Trim & Miscellaneous Section

Exploded view of all parts necessary to complete the Miscellaneous Section. Identify all parts prior to starting. Note: Not shown: Rear Gable Trim, Rear Narrow Trim, Rear Gable Detail Plate, Interior Door Stops, 1 Interior Barrel Bolt



Expert Advice: When installing trim, sort pieces according to color and pieces that are most pleasing to the eye. Start with least visible side of shed and use the least desirable pieces first. Install trim to most visible side of shed as your skill installing trim improves.







54. Attach **Rear Horizontal Gable Trims** to the back of the shed. Position over gable and wall seam with thick end of Bevel downward. Use **5 - 1 1/2" Finishing Nails** to secure each piece.

Parts Rear Horizontal Gable Trim - Bevel (3/4" x 4 1/2" x 45 1/4") x 2

Hardware N1 - 1 1/2" Finishing Nails x 10 total Drip Cap rests in notch of Door Header.

Note: Do not fasten the Drip Caps until **Step 58**.

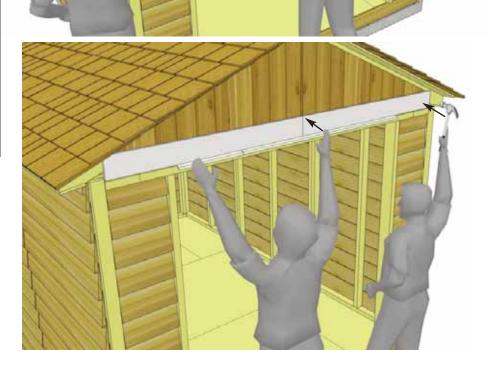
55. Position **Drip Caps** so they are overlapping above doorway, resting in the notch of the Door Header. The Drip Caps will not be attached until **Step 58**.

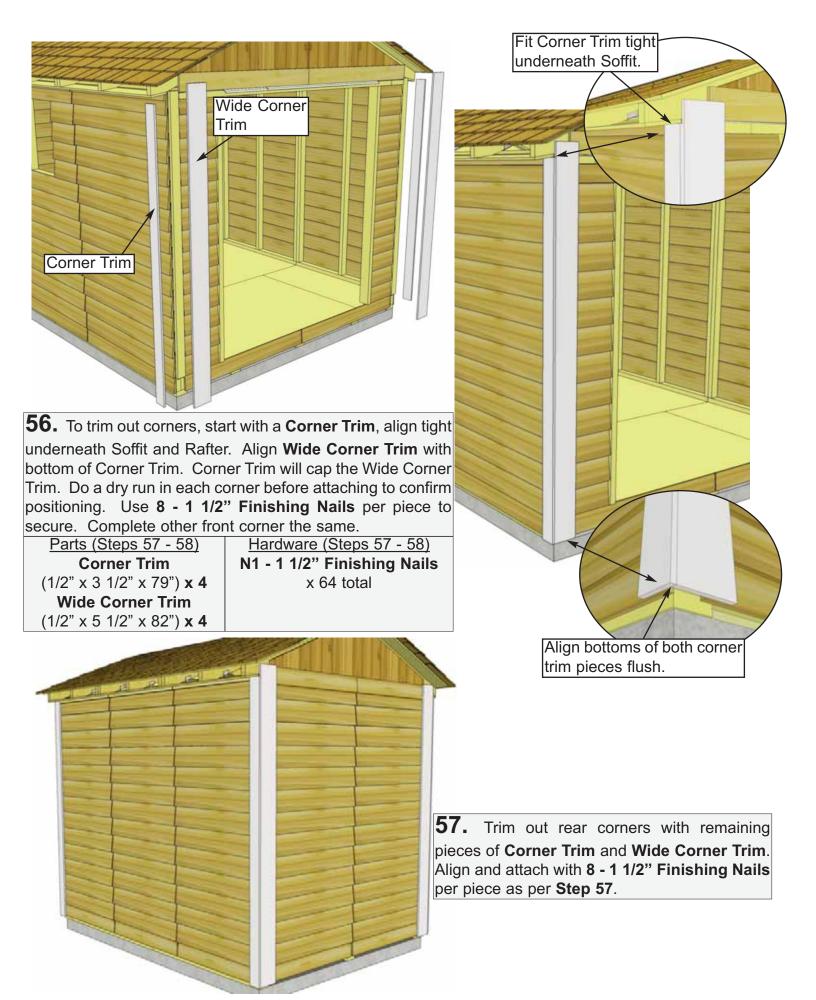
Have a friend hold the Drip Caps in place while attaching the **Front Horizontal Gable Trims** covering the flange of the Drip Caps and centered side-to-side. Attach Gable Trims with **2 - 1 1/2" Finishing Nails** into the corners of each piece so the Drip Caps have room to slide into position in **Step 58**.

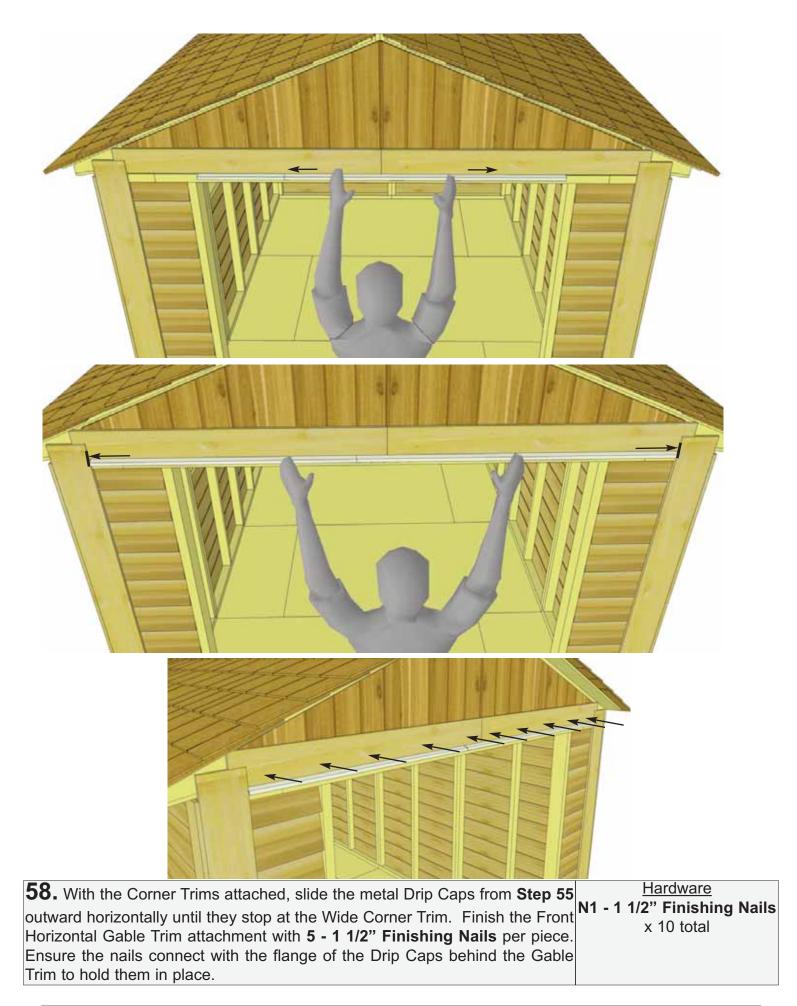
Parts Metal Drip Caps (48" length) x 2 Front Horizontal Gable Trim (1/2" x 4 1/2" x 45 1/4") x 2 Hardware N1 - 1 1/2" Finishing Nails

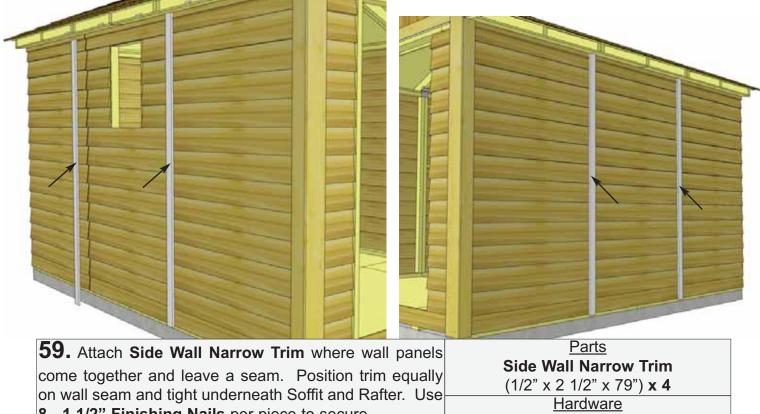
x 4 total

Important: Ensure nails do not connect with the flange of the Drip Caps in this step as you will need to slide them into position in **Step 58**.



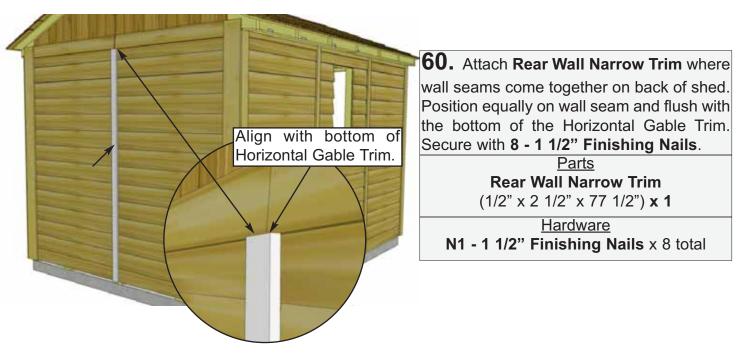






8 - 1 1/2" Finishing Nails per piece to secure.

N1 - 1 1/2" Finishing Nails x 32 total



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61. Attach Vertical Door Trim on both sides of the doorway. Position flush with Door Jamb
and tight under the lip of the Drip Edge. Secure with 8 - 1 1/2" Finishing Nails per piece.
Parts
Vertical Door Trim (1/2" x 2 1/2" x 79") x 2
Hardware
N1 - 1 1/2" Finishing Nails x 16 total
62. Attach Horizontal Door Trim and Horizontal Narrow
Wall Trim onto the exposed part of the Door Header, and
tight under the lip of the Drip Cap. Secure Horizontal Door Trim with 5 - 1 1/2" Finishing Nails and the short Narrow Wall Trims with 2 - 1 1/2" Finishing Nails per piece. Parts Horizontal Door Trim N1 - 1 1/2" Finishing Nails
(1/2" x 1 1/2" x 64") x 1 x 9 total Horizontal Narrow Wall Trim (7/8" x 3" x 9") x 2 - Dado Edge

63. Attach Facia Nailing Strips to the underside edge of the plywood roof. Align corner of Nailing Strip with edge of roof plywood. Secure each Strip with 3 - 1 1/4" Screws. Complete all four pieces, two on each side of the shed.

> Parts **Facia Nailing Strips** (3/4" x 2 1/2" x 48") **x 4** Hardware S2 - 1 1/4" Screws x 12 total

(square cut ends) in corner. Line Facia up so angle cut Facia Angled Facia

Angled Facia caps Square Cut Facia.

caps square cut Facia. Attach angled Facia to Nailing Strip with 8 - 1 1/2" Finishing Nails per piece. Gap where facia boards come together at peak will be covered in Step 66. Do a dry run using Side Facia to help you correctly position before attaching. Parts (Steps 64 - 65)

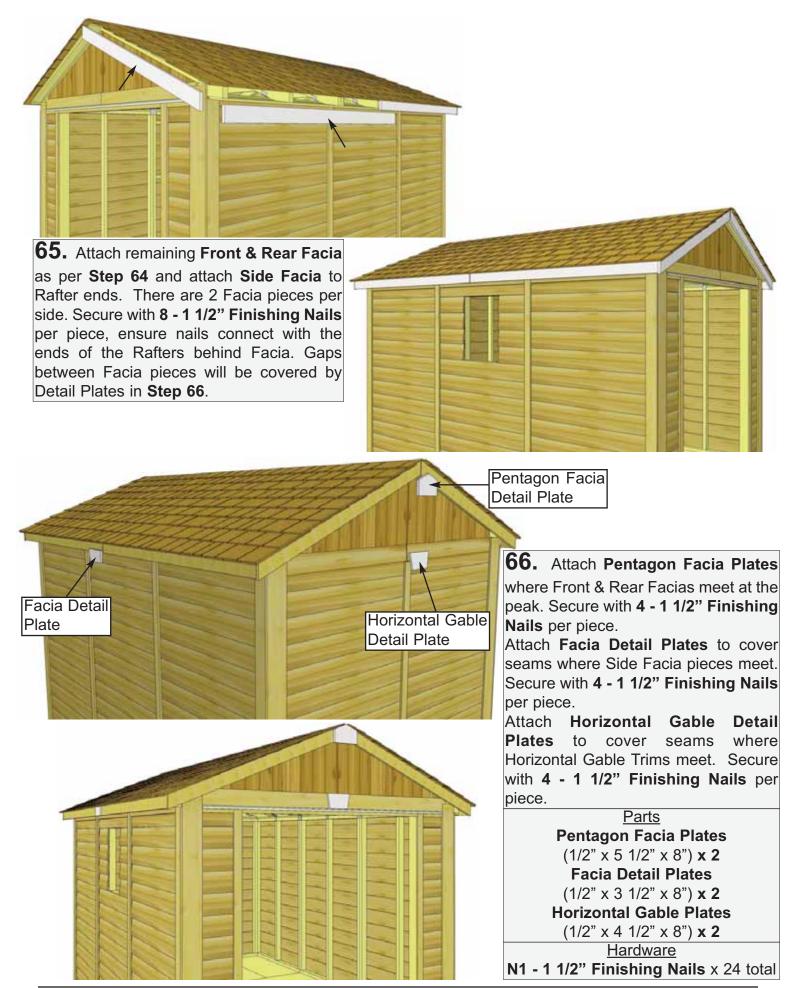
64. Position Rear Facia (angle cut on ends) and Side Facia

Front & Rear Facia - Angle Cut Ends (3/4" x 3 1/2" x 58") **x 4** Side Facia (3/4" x 3 1/2" x 71 3/4") x 4 Hardware (Steps 64 - 65) N1 - 1 1/2" Finishing Nails x 64 total

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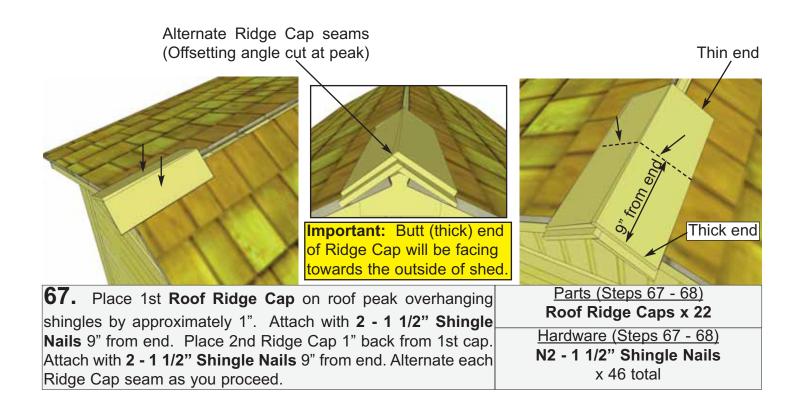
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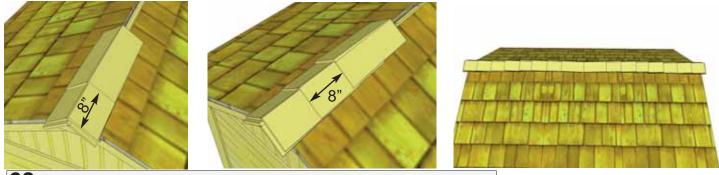
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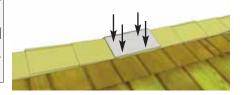
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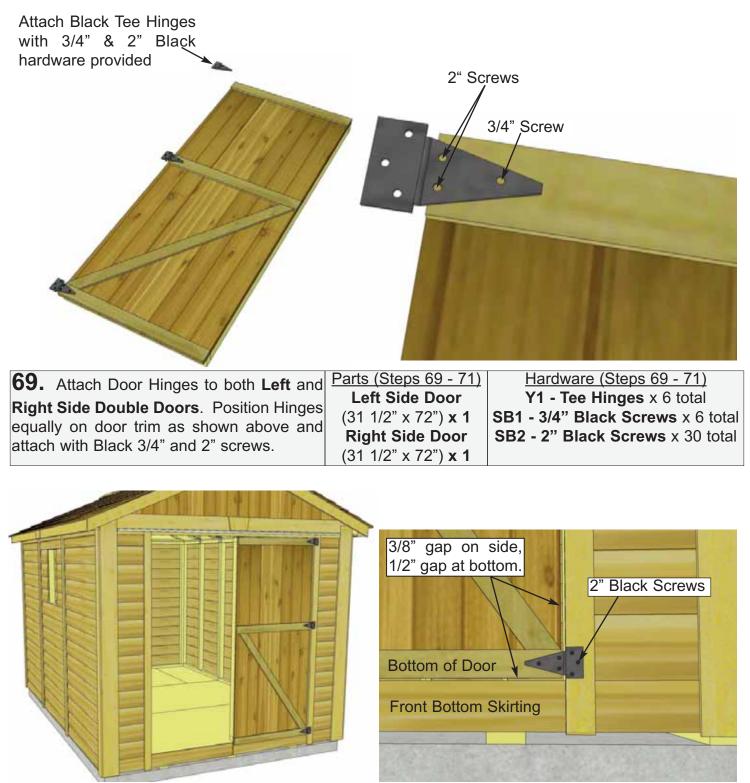


68. Place 3rd Ridge Cap 8" back from 2nd (enough to cover shingle nails). Attach 3rd Ridge Cap as per **Step 67**. Continue to position and attach Ridge Caps until half the roof is complete. From opposite side, position and attach Ridge Caps as described above. One Ridge Cap is cut shorter to fit in the center of the roof. Attach center cap with **4 - 1 1/2" Shingle Nails**.



Note: illustration of Hinge may not be accurate.

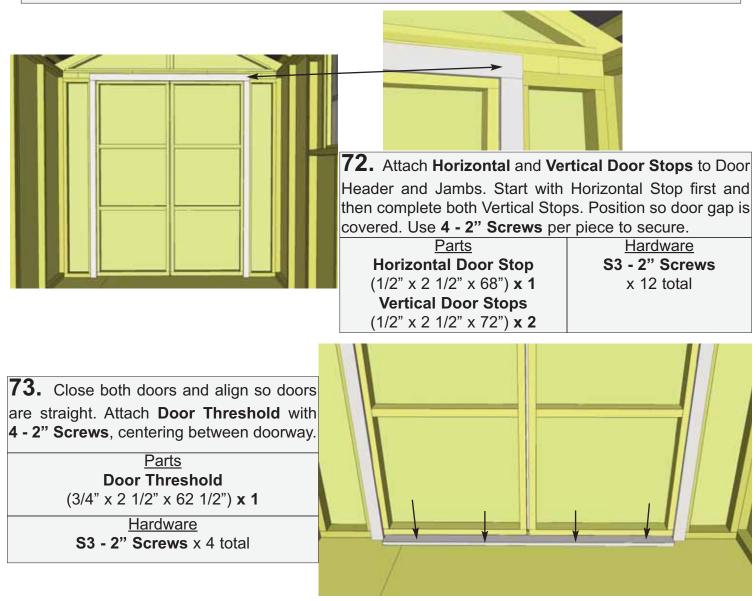
The # of screw holes in the hinge may vary from three to four depending on model.

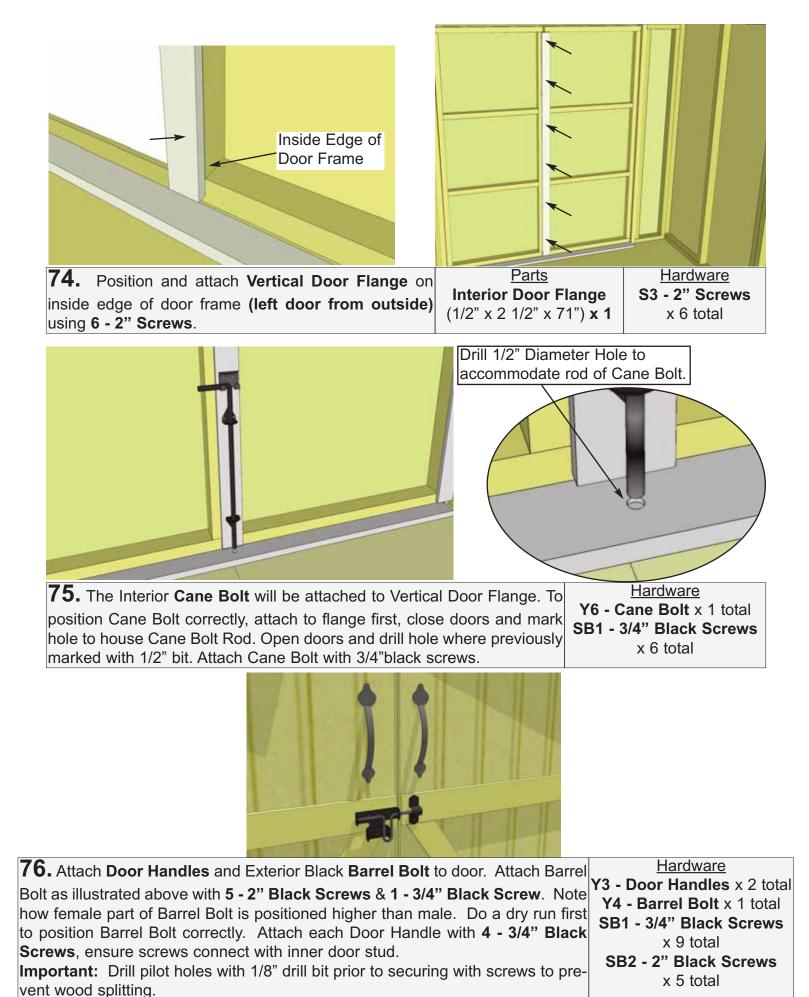


70. Next, position and secure the Double Doors. Starting with **Right Side Door**, position so there is a 1/2" gap on bottom and approximately 3/8" on the side. Use a spare Shingle to shim door in place at the bottom. Secure hinges to Door Trim with **3 - 2" Black Screws** per hinge. **Hint:** Do not attach all the 2" screws until both doors are positioned correctly into place. Use Screw Driver to tighten screws completely.

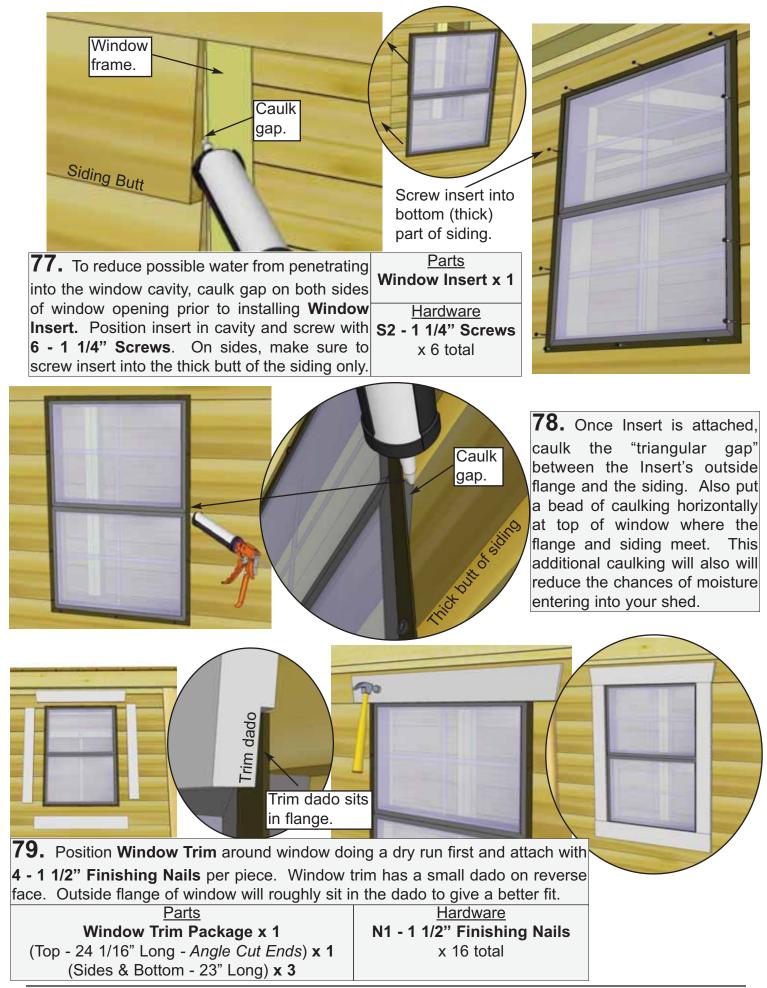


71. Position Left Side Door as per Step 70 and secure with 2" Black Screws. When satisfied with door positioning, complete all 2" Black Screw attachements. Note: Do not over tighten hinge screws when using screw gun. Tighten 3/4 of the way and use a Screw Driver to finish so as not to strip screws.





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80. Assemble Flower Box with Assembly Instructions included. Position completed	Parts
Flower Box below bottom of window trim and secure with 2 - 2" Screws . Screw from	Llower Boy Kit v 1
	<u>Hardware</u>
inside of box into the center Window Wall stud. Attach second screw 2" underneath	S3 - 2" Screws
first screw and once again into the wall stud.	x 2 total



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