



Colossal Kingdom - Tarp Roof

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IMPORTANT SAFETY GUIDELINES

This product is recommended for use by children ages 3-11. This product is intended for residential use only and not intended for use in any public setting. A safety surface such as mulch or recycled tire should be used under the play set to prevent injury from falls. Also a 6 foot safety zone should be used around the entire play set.

As with any home project, good judgment and respect for power tools will greatly reduce the risk of injury. PlayNation recommends you follow all tool manufacturers' safety guidelines. Always wear eye protection and safety gloves to prevent injury. In several phases of construction two people may be required for lifting and securing of lumber. While the play set is being constructed, please keep children off the equipment until the project is complete. Bolts and screw heads should be checked regularly for tightness. The ground ladder, rope ladder, slide, swings and other areas where children spend a majority of their playtime should be checked more frequently.

PlayNation shall not be liable for incidental, indirect or consequential damages or injuries that result from the building and/or playing on our play sets. Adult supervision is recommended anytime a play set is being used.

WEIGHT LIMITS FOR PLAYNATION PLAYSETS

- FORT PLATFORMS: 800 LBS. TOTAL WEIGHT
- SWING BELT: 225 LBS.
- GLIDER SWINGS: 70 LBS. PER CHILD. UP TO 140 LBS TOTAL WEIGHT.
- TRAPEZE: 125 LBS.
- FULL BUCKET SWING/ HALF BUCKET SWING: 50 LBS.
- HEAVY DUTY TODDLER BUCKET SWING: 85 LBS.
- INFANT SWING: 35 LBS.
- TIRE SWING: 125 LBS. TOTAL WEIGHT
- ROPE LADDER: 75 LBS.
- ROCK WALL: 150 LBS.
- CLIMBING RAMP: 150 LBS.
- MONKEY BARS: 175 LBS.
- ALL SLIDES: 150 LBS.

PlayNation recommends that the weight limits for all components must not be exceeded. Failure to adhere to these and other safety guidelines could result in damage to the play set and injury to the users.

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WARRANTY REGISTRATION

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Safety and Maintenance Tips for Your New Play Set:

NOTE: Your children's safety is our #1 concern. Observing the following statements and warnings reduces the likelihood of serious or fatal injury. Please review these safety rules regularly with your children.

• This play set is designed for the use of 4 occupants who have a combined weight not exceeding 800 pounds on the elevated floor, 3 occupants who have a combined weight of 425 pounds on the swing area, for a total Unit capacity of 7 occupants who have a combined weight of 1225. (This weight does not include any picnic table area(s).)

• On-site adult supervision is required.

• Teach children not to walk close to, in front of, behind, or between moving swings or other moving playground equipment.

· Teach children to sit in and never stand on swings

• Teach children not to twist the chains and ropes and not to loop them over the swing beam, since this may reduce the strength of the chain or rope.

• Teach children not to jump from swings or other playground equipment in motion.

• Teach children not to push empty seats. The seat may hit them and cause serious injury.

• Teach children to sit in the center of the swings with their full weight on the seats.

• Teach children not to use the equipment in a manner other than intended.

• Teach children to always go down slides feet first. Never slide headfirst.

• Teach children to look before they slide to make sure no one is at the bottom.

• Teach children to never run up a slide, as this increases their chances of falling.

• The parents should have the children dress appropriately with well-fitting shoes. Loose clothing such as scarves and ponchos should not be worn. Always take off, tie up or tuck in cords and drawstrings on children's clothing. These things can get caught on playground equipment and strangle a child.

• Teach children not to climb when the equipment is wet.

• Teach children to never jump from a fort deck. They should always use the ladder, ramp or slide.

• Teach children to never crawl or walk across the top of monkey bars or swing beam.

• Teach children to never crawl on top of a fort roof or on the outside of a tube slide.

• Teach children to never carry items down a slide with them.

• Verify that any suspended climbing ropes, chains, or cables are secured at both ends and that they cannot be looped around an adult hand.

• Teach children not to attach items to the playground equipment that are not specifically designed for use with the equipment, such as, but not limited to, jump ropes, clothesline, pet leashes, cables and chain as they may cause a strangulation hazard.

• Teach children to never wrap their legs around swing chain.

• Teach children to never slide down the swing chain.

• Teach children to remove their bike or other sports helmet before playing on the playgound equipment.

• Teach children to NEVER look at the sun or other bright light through any accessory such as but not limited to a telescope, periscope or binoculars.

WARNING: Children must NOT use this play set until it has been completely assembled and inspected by an adult to insure it has been properly installed and the swing beam legs are anchored. Note some sets may not require anchors on the swing beam legs, see owners manual for details.

Safety and Maintenance Tips for Your New Play Set: (continued)

Playgrounds should be inspected on a regular basis. If any of the following conditions are noted, they should be removed, corrected, or repaired immediately to prevent injuries.

• Hardware that is loose, worn or that has protrusions or projections.

• Exposed equipment footings.

• Scattered debris, litter, rocks, or tree roots.

- Splinters, large cracks, and decayed wood components.
- Deterioration and corrosion on structural components, which connect to the ground.

• Missing or damaged equipment components, such as handholds, guardrails, swing seats.

• Check all nuts and bolts twice monthly during the usage season and tighten as required. (But not so tight that you crack the wood) We recommend you check the swing beam and hardware often due to wood expansion and contraction. It is particularly important that this procedure be followed at the beginning of each season.

• Remove plastic swing seats and take indoors or do not use when the temperature drops below 32°F. Reinstall swings and other swing equipment at the beginning of the usage season.

• Oil all metallic moving parts monthly during the usage period.

• Check all coverings for bolts and sharp edges twice monthly during usage season to be certain they are in place. Replace when necessary. It is especially important to do this at the beginning of each new season.

• Check swing seats, ropes, cables and chains monthly during usage season for evidence of deterioration. Replacement should be made of any swing seat that has developed cracks in the plastic seats. Ropes, cables and chains should be removed and replaced if excessive wear is found. Contact us for warranted replacement parts.

• For rusted areas on metallic members such as monkey bars, hand supports brackets, etc.; sand and repaint, using a non lead-based paint meeting the requirements of Title 16 C.F.R. Part 1303. These requirements are available at: http://www.cpsc.gov/

• Inspect wood parts monthly. The grain of the wood sometimes will lift in the dry season causing splinters to appear. Light sanding may be necessary to maintain a safe playing environment. If you are treating your play set with stain regularly, it will help prevent severe checking/splitting and other weather damage.

• Once or twice a year, depending on your climate conditions, you must apply some type of protection (sealant) to the wood of your unit. Prior to the application of sealant, lightly sand any "rough" spots on your set. Please note this is a requirement of your warranty.

• Creating and maintaining the play set on a level location is very important. As your children play, your play set will slowly dig its way into the soil, and it is very important that it settles evenly. Make sure the play set is level and true once each year or at the beginning of each play season.

• Twice a month during the usage season rake the playground protective surfacing materials to prevent compaction and maintain appropriate depths. Replace the protective surfacing materials as required.

• Disposal Instructions: When the play set is no longer desired, it should be disassembled and disposed of in such away that no unreasonable hazards will exist at the time the play set is discarded.

Play Set Surfacing Recommendations:

Below are some of the recommendations that the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC) offers from its Handbook for Public Playground Safety. The guide can be downloaded in full at www.cpsc.gov/cpscpub/pubs/325.pdf

1. Protective Surfacing - Since almost 60% of all injuries are caused by falls to the ground, protective surfacing under and around all playground equipment is the most critical safety factor on playgrounds.

Certain manufactured synthetic surfaces also are acceptable; however, test data on shock absorbing performance should be requested from the manufacturer.

Asphalt and concrete are unacceptable. They do not have any shock absorbing properties. Similarly, grass and turf should not be used. Their ability to absorb shock during a fall can be reduced considerably through wear and environmental conditions.

Certain loose-fill surfacing materials are acceptable. Surfacing materials are acceptable, such as the types and depths shown in the table.

Type Of Material	6 in. depth	9 in. depth	12 in. depth
Double-Shredded bark mulch	6' Fall Height	10' Fall Height	11' Fall Height
Wood Chips	6' Fall Height	7' Fall Height	12' Fall Height
Fine Sand	5' Fall Height	5' Fall Height	9' Fall Height
Shredded Tires*	10-12' Fall Height	N/A	N/A
Fine Gravel	6' Fall Height	7' Fall Height	10' Fall Height

Fall Heights and Materials

*This data is from tests conducted by independent testing laboratories on a 6-inch depth of uncompressed shredded tire samples produced by four manufacturers. The tests reported critical heights, which varied from 10 feet to greater than 12 feet. It is recommended that persons seeking to install shredded tires as a protective surface request test data from the supplier showing the critical height of the material when it was tested in accordance with ASTM F1292.

It should be recognized that all injuries due to falls cannot be prevented no matter what surfacing material is used.

2. Fall Zones - A fall zone, covered with a protective surfacing material, is essential under and around equipment where a child might fall. This area should be free of other equipment and obstacles onto which a child might fall. Stationary climbing equipment and slides should have a fall zone extending a Minimum of 6' in all directions from the perimeter of the equipment.

Swings should have a fall zone extending a minimum of 6' from the outer edge of the support structure on each side. The fall zone in front and back of the swing should extend out a minimum distance of twice the height of the swing as measured from the ground to the top of the swing support structure.

LEVELING YOUR FORT DURING ASSEMBLY

• Complete the steps which will be the basic frame of the fort. {i.e. four corner posts with base (sand box boards) and deck supports}

• Position in the most level area chosen for the play set, keeping in mind the location and size of the swing beam, ladder, slides, etc. that extend off the fort.

• Once the frame is in the final position, check for vertical and horizontal levelness to determine which side(s) will need to be dug into the ground to level the play set.

• With a shovel, score the ground around the outside edges of the sandbox boards on the 'high' side of the fort. This is the area that will be dug in. Make sure to score deep enough; the scored lines will be your digging template.

• Push the frame off and away from the scored area, far enough to dig and remove dirt to reach the appropriate depth.

• Dig a channel along the scored line(s) for the base of the fort (corner post and sandbox boards) to rest into. Dig the channel(s) to the same level depth. The bottom of the channel(s) should be level to each other so your frame doesn't teeter or rock because the channel(s) are uneven.

• Once you have removed enough grass and dirt, slide/push the frame into the channel(s). Place a level on the vertical and horizontal boards of the frame to determine if enough soil, or too much, was removed.

• Repeat this process until the basic frame is plumb and level and in its final position before completing the rest of the assembly.

• Measure to make sure fort is square.

Important: if you require a channel depth of more than 6", then we recommend you have your play set area professionally graded before completing assembly.

Example Play area:





The diagonal measurements should be the same from corner post to corner post. If not, adjust corner posts so that the distance is equal.

Area to be scored and channeled for levelness

General Info to Review Before Installation

• Depending on your experience, assembly of the playset can take as little as 6 hours up to 24 hours, depending on size, after inventory of parts; therefore, we recommend you set aside a full two days for assembly.

• Identify all of the parts for your play set. Empty each box and lay out boards so you can see each part. Your instruction book will have detailed drawings that will make it easy for you to recognize individual parts. Keep all hardware and metal parts separate from wooden pieces.

• After everything is laid out, check carefully to ensure all parts are present. Make sure there are no broken boards.

• Find an area to sort your hardware. It is best to open the hardware on a solid surface so that you do not lose any pieces in the grass. This will save time and familiarize you with all the different pieces in the hardware bag.

• Important note: Wood has some natural defects such as knots, surface cracks, etc... We reject parts that are structurally defective. We use a high quality lumber in our structures; however, you should inspect each part for splinters or rough spots and sand them smooth to prevent injury.

• After familiarizing yourself with all of the components, read all instructions thoroughly. Reading instructions after you have studied the parts will help you understand the installation process, and help to eliminate unnecessary mistakes.

• Pay close attention to the diameter and length of each bolt and screw.

• Never tighten hardware completely at first. It helps to have some adjustment for bolt alignment while you are attaching parts together. After everything is square, tighten each joint.

• After the main unit is assembled it is critical that the floor is level and square. If the main frame is not level, the walls and floor will be out of square.

• After you complete installation, make sure every bolt, screw, and nut is tight, and every board is secure. Wood will expand and contract with the seasons.

• Place the set on level ground, not less than 6 feet from any structure or obstruction such as a fence, garage, house, overhanging branches, laundry lines, or electrical wires.

This page is a list of definitions and explanations used throughout our instructions to aid you in the assembly of your play set.

Offset Holes- Throughout the installation procedures we will refer to parts with offset holes. This refers to the orientation of the holes on the board. An offset hole is one that is closer to one side than it is the other or in other words, it is not centered on the board. In the procedures you will be instructed to attach the boards with the holes offset up or with the holes offset down. This refers to which side of the board the hole/holes should be closer to. Offset holes up= hole/holes will be closer to the top of the board. Offset holes down= hole/holes will be closer to the bottom of the board. Note: some parts do not have offset holes, but instead the holes are on center. Therefore there will not be any reference on how to offset these parts.

EXAMPLE OF OFFSET HOLES UP



Counter-sunk holes - Many of the parts that will be used have counter-sunk holes. A counter-sunk hole is one that surrounds one side of a through hole, but does not extend through the wood it's self. When using a counter-sunk hole the bolt will be inserted through the through hole and either the head of the bolt and washer or nut and washer will occupy the counter sunk hole.



Lag Screws- Lag screws are used in the construction of our play sets to enhance the structural integrity of the unit. There will not be predrilled holes in the post for lag screw installation. Lag screws are self-tapping, though if you are using a manual socket wrench it may be advantageous to pre-drill a hole first. Instructions for this are provided on a separate page in the front of the manual. Be sure to tighten the lags completely when driving them in by hand. Power tools such as a heavy duty impact driver or large power drill should have enough torque to drive in the lag screws, but make sure not to over tighten as this can cause the threads to "strip out" in the post.

Common Installation Practice Installing T-nuts

When installing T-nuts into the wood, use a smooth faced hammer to set the face of the T-nut flush into the wood







Insert the barrel of the T-nut into the predrilled hole. Using a smooth faced hammer, drive the T-nut until the face of the T-nut is flush to the wood.



This picture shows an end view of the T-nut installed flush to the wood.

WARNING: DO NOT EMBED THE TOP OF THE T-NUT INTO THE FACE OF THE WOOD



Cross Section end view, you are looking at an X-ray view of the post and T-nut. The barrel of the T-nut is in the corner post the line is the face of the wood.

HOW A T-NUT WORKS

THE FIRST STEP IN OUR ASSEMBLY INSTRUCTIONS IS TO INSERT T-NUTS INTO THE CORNER POSTS. A T-NUT IS A FASTENER WHICH IS THREADED ON THE INSIDE AND IT FUNCTIONS JUST LIKE A STANDARD HEX NUT. YOU INSERT THE T-NUTS INTO THE PREDRILLED HOLES IN THE CORNER POSTS.

THE T-NUT HAS A BARREL SHAPED END WHICH GOES INTO THE HOLE IN THE CORNER POST. THE T-NUT ALSO HAS AN FLANGE SHAPED END WITH TEETH. THE TEETH PENETRATE INTO THE CORNER POST WOOD TO PREVENT THE T-NUT FROM SPINNING WHEN YOU TIGHTEN THE HEX HEAD BOLT.

SHOWN BELOW YOU WILL SEE THE T-NUT IS HAMMERED INTO THE CORNER POST ON THE BACK SIDE. THE BOARD IS BEING ATTACHED ON THE FRONT SIDE OF THE CORNER POST.



BOARD IDENTIFICATION

1. On the end of each board there should be a small white tag that is stapled into place.

2. This white identification tag displays the thickness, width, length and an abbreviated description of the part.

Example: a tag reads "2-4-3600-BPB"

- The 2 is the thickness of the board. "Nominal Lumber" at a home center will measure 1-1/2" for the thickness. We "remill" that lumber to 1-3/8" thick.
- The 4 is the width of the board. "Nominal Lumber" at a home center will measure 3-1/2" for the width. We "remill" that lumber to 3-3/8" wide. Note: sometimes the width will be smaller than 3-3/8" because:
 A) We need the width of the part to fit into a certain area of the play set.
 B) We need the designation to be simple.
- The 3600 is the length of the board. It means the board is 36 inches long. If the code were 3625 then the board is 36-1/4" in length.
- The "BPB" abbreviation stands for "Bottom Panel Board". The wood part bill of materials in the instructions has a description which will match the abbreviation closely.
- In the event that there is no tag on a wood part measure the part then:

 A)Use the measurements and compare them to the wood list at the front of the instructions to identify it.
 B)Look at the holes on the wood part and compare them to the pictures in the wood

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C)Look to see if the holes are centered or if they are offset up or offset down. This should help you identify any parts that have missing tags. In the event that you cannot identify a board please email us for assistance.



PRE-DRILL LAG SCREW DIRECTIONS

Pre-drilling holes for lag screws will make it easier to drive the screws in by hand. "Jobber" length drill bits are available in sizes that are longer than standard drill bits and those are ideal for the job. When using the drill bit you will have to "spot" drill the post and then remove the board you are attaching to finish drilling the hole.

Pay attention to the DIAMETER of the lag screw you are installing. Your playset may come with two different diameter lag screws. Each diameter will require a different size drill bit. When installing lag screws **DO NOT OVERTIGHTEN**.

LAG SCREW DIAMETER	DRILL BIT SIZE
5/16" DIAMETER	9/64"
3/8" DIAMETER	11/64"

Example: 3/8" diameter x 3-1/2" lag screw

This would be like the 2×4 board installation shown below. Place the board into position. Spot Drill through the holes in the 2×4 board into the corner posts with an 11/64" drill bit. Remove the 2×4 board. Continue to drill the holes to a total depth of 2-5/16" as shown at the right. Install the 2×4 board.

Example 5/16" diameter x 3-1/2" lag screw

This would be like the 2×4 board installation shown below. Place the board into position. Spot Drill through the holes in the 2×4 board into the corner posts with an 9/64" drill bit. Remove the 2×4 board. Continue to drill the holes to a total depth of 2-5/16" as shown at the right. Install the 2×4 board.



Example 3/8" diameter x 5" lag screw

This would be like the 4 x 4 board installation shown below. Place the board into position. Spot drill through the holes in the 4 x 4 board into the corner posts with an 11/64" drill bit. Remove the 4 x 4 board. Continue to drill the holes to a total depth of 2-13/16" as shown at the right. Install the 4 x 4 board.





SWING BEAM LOADING

Weight Limits for Accessories:

The weight limit for a Swing Belt is 225 lbs. (Although 150lbs is the maximum recommended swinging weight capacity for the swing position.)

The weight limit for a Trapeze Bar is 125 lbs.

Maximum Allowable swinging weight for a three position swing:

- 1) The maximum allowable swinging weight at each Swing Belt position is 150 lbs.
- 2) The maximum allowable swinging weight at the Trapeze position is 125 lbs.
 3) The MAXIMUM SWING BEAM LOAD IS 425 lbs.

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STEP 1: LADDER AND ROPE LADDER RUNNERS

1: PLACE THE 4 X 4 X 84" LADDER RUNNER FLUSH WITH THE BOTTOM OF THE LADDER ASSEMBLY, TO THE INSIDE OF THE LADDER. ALLOW THE LADDER RUNNER TO EXTEND EQUALLY PAST THE LADDER RAILS. FASTEN THE LADDER RUNNDER TO THE LADDER WITH 3/8 X 5" LAG SCREWS AND 3/8" WASHERS.

2: PLACE THE 4 X 4 X 120" ROPE LADDER RUNNER 1/2" FROM THE BOTTOM OF THE ROCK WALL ASSEMBLY. MAKE SURE THAT THE HOLES FOR THE ROPE LADDER ARE HORIZONTAL. FASTEN THE ROPE LADDER RUNNER TO THE ROCK WALL WITH 3/8 X 5" LAG SCREWS AND 3/8" WASHERS.





STEP 2: ANGLE BRACES

1: PLACE THE 4 X 4 X 16" ANGLE BRACES FLUSH TO THE SIDES OF THE LADDER AND ROCK WALL ASSEMBLIES WITH 3/8 X 5" LAG SCREWS AND 3/8" WASHERS.



STEP 3: MAIN DECK BEAMS

1: PLACE THE 4 X 6 X 124" MAIN DECK BEAMS FLUSH TO THE OUTSIDE OF THE LADDER AND ROCK WALL ASSEMBLIES, LINING UP THE PILOT HOLES AT EACH END TO THE COUNTER-SUNK HOLES ON THE LADDER AND ROCK WALL SIDES.

2: FIND FOUR 6-1/2" CARRIAGE BOLTS AND FOUR TORQUE WASHERS. PLACE THE CARRIAGE BOLT INSIDE THE TORQUE WASHER SO THAT THE TEETH ARE FACING THE SAME DIRECTION AS THE THREADS OF THE CARRIAGE BOLT.

3: PLACE THE CARRIAGE BOLT/TORQUE WASHER ASSEMBLY IN THE HOLE ON THE MAIN DECK BEAMS, OUT THROUGH THE COUNTER-SUNK HOLES ON THE LADDER AND ROCK WALL SIDES, AND SET WITH A HAMMER.

4: USE 3/8 LOCK NUTS WITH 3/8" WASHERS TO SECURE THE MAIN BEAMS. DO NOT FULLY TIGHTEN CARRIAGE BOLTS AT THIS TIME.

5: USE GREEN BOLT CAPS TO COVER ANY EXPOSED THREADS. 3/8" WASHER 3/8" LOCK NUT BOLT CAP DETAIL B DETAIL A 6-1/2" CARRIAGE BOLT TORQUE WASHER 4 X 6 X 124" MAIN DECK BEAM

STEP 4: FAT FREDDIES

1: PLACE THE 4 X 6 X 15" FAT FREDDIESAT THE ENDS OF THE MAIN BEAMS. NOTE THAT THERE ARE TWO FOR THE LEFT SIDE AND TWO FOR THE RIGHT.

2: THE NOTCHES IN THE FAT FREDDIES WILL FIT WITH THE LADDER AND ROCK WALL ASSEMBLIES WHEN THEY ARE SCISSORED OUT. THE FAT FREDDIES WILL FASTEN TO THE INSIDE OF THE MAIN BEAM, AND TO THE OUTSIDE OF THE LADDER AND ROCK WALL SIDES.

3: USE 3/8 X 3-1/2" LAG SCREWS WITH 3/8" WASHERS TO FASTEN THE FAT FREDDIES TO THE LADDER, ROCK WALL, AND MAIN BEAMS.

4: GO BACK AND TIGHTEN THE 3/8" LOCK NUTS INSTALLED ON THE PREVIOUS PAGE.



STEP 5: DECK

1: PLACE THE DECK PANELS ON TOP OF THE MAIN BEAMS, ALLOWING THE 2 X 4 DECK STREAMERS TO FIT INSIDE OF THE MAIN BEAMS.

2: FASTEN THE DECK PANELS TO THE MAIN BEAMS WITH ONE 2-1/2" WOOD SCREW ON BOTH SIDES OF EACH BOARD.

3: PLACE THE 2 X 4 X 79" CENTER DECK SUPPORT IN THE CENTER OF THE DECK AND FASTEN WITH ONE 2-1/2" WOOD SCREW PER BOARD.



STEP 6: TIRE SWIVEL

1: REST THE TIRE SWIVEL ON TOP OF THE DECK AND, USING THE HOLES IN THE TIRE SWIVEL AS A GUIDE, MARK THE LOCATION OF THE HOLES.

2: DRILL 3/8" HOLES IN THE BRDGE DECK WHERE THE MARKS WERE MADE.

3: FASTEN THE TIRE SWIVEL TO THE DECK WITH 4" CARRIAGE BOLTS AND TORQUE WASHERS FROM THE TOP, AND 3/8" LOCK NUTS WITH 3/8" WASHERS FROM UNDERNEATH.

4: PLACE BOLT CAPS ON ANY EXPOSED THREADS.



STEP 7: UPRIGHTS

1: LINE UP THE PILOT HOLES OF THE 4 X 4 X 42" CORNER UPRIGHTS WITH THE HOLES AT EACH END OF THE MAIN FLOOR BEAMS.

2: FASTEN THE CORNER UPRIGHTS TO THE MAIN FLOOR BEAMS USING 6-1/2" CARRIAGE BOLTS WITH TORQUE WASHERS FROM THE OUTSIDE, AND 3/8" LOCK NUTS WITH 3/8" WASHERS FROM THE INSIDE.

3: LINE UP THE PILOT HOLES OF THE 4 X 4 X 92" CENTER UPRIGHTS WITH THE HOLES AT THE CENTER OF THE MAIN FLOOR BEAMS.

4: FASTEN THE CENTER UPRIGHTS TO THE MAIN FLOOR BEAMS USING 6-1/2" CARRIAGE BOLTS WITH TORQUE WASHERS FROM THE OUTSIDE, AND 3/8" LOCK NUTS WITH 3/8" WASHERS FROM THE INSIDE.

5: PLACE BOLT CAPS OVER ANY EXPOSED THREADS.



STEP 8: SIDE RAILS

1: PLACE THE 4 X 4 X 124" SWING BEAM SIDE RAIL FLUSH TO THE CORNER UPRIGHTS, LINING UP THE PILOT HOLES. MAKE SURE THAT THE SIDE WITH THREE CLOSELY PATTERNED COUNTER-SUNK HOLES IS FACING DOWN.

2: ATTACH THE SWING BEAM SIDE RAIL TO THE CORNER AND CENTER UPRIGHTS USING 6-1/2" CARRIAGE BOLTS WITH TORQUE WASHERS FROM THE INSIDE OF THE FORT, AND 3/8" LOCK NUTS WITH 3/8" WASHERS FROM THE OUTSIDE.

3: PLACE THE 4 X 4 X 124" SIDE RAIL FLUSH TO THE CORNER UPRIGHTS, LINING UP THE PILOT HOLES.

4: ATTACH THE SIDE RAIL TO THE CORNER AND CENTER UPRIGHTS USING 6-1/2" CARRIAGE BOLTS WITH TORQUE WASHERS FROM THE INSIDE OF THE FORT, AND 3/8" LOCK NUTS WITH 3/8" WASHERS FROM THE OUTSIDE.

5: USE BOLT CAPS TO COVER ANY EXPOSED THREADS.

6: SEE DETAIL "A" FOR A MORE DETAILED VIEW OF ASSEMBLY.







STEP 11: WALL PANELS

1: FIND THE THREE LARGE WALL PANELS AND ONE SLIDE WALL PANEL.

2: THE TOPS OF THE WALL PANELS WILL MOUNT FLUSH TO THE TOP OF THE SIDE RAILS BETWEEN THE CENTER AND CORNER UPRIGHTS WITH 3/8 X 5" LAG SCREWS WITH 3/8" WASHERS.

3: FINISH ATTACHING THE WALL PANELS TO THE UNIT WITH 3/8 X 5" LAG SCREWS INTO THE MAIN FLOOR SUPPORTS.

4: THE SLIDE WALL PANEL WILL MOUNT FLUSH TO THE TOP OF THE SIDE RAIL, NEXT TO THE CORNER UPRIGHT, ON THE ROCK WALL SIDE OF THE FORT WITH 3/8 X 5" LAG SCREWS AND 3/8" WASHERS.

5: FINISH ATTACHING THE SLIDE WALL PANEL TO THE UNIT WITH 3/8 X 5" LAG SCREWS INTO THE MAIN FLOOR SUPPORTS.





STEP 13: CENTER TARP BOARD

1: FIND ONE 2 X 4 X 66" CENTER TARP BOARD. PLACE THE CENTER TARP BOARD ON TOP OF THE CENTER UPRIGHTS.

2: FASTEN THE CENTER TARP BOARD TO THE CENTER UPRIGHTS WITH 3/8 X 3-1/2" LAG SCREWS AND 3/8" WASHERS.



STEP 14: TARP

1: LAY THE TARP ACROSS THE CENTER TARP BOARDS AND THE END TARP BOARDS.

2: CENTER THE TARP ACROSS THE BOARDS, AND MARK THE LOCATION OF THE TARP SNAPS WITH A PENCIL.

3: PLACE A SNAP SCREW IN THE FRONT LEFT LOWER TARP BOARD IN THE MARK THAT WAS MADE. SNAP THE TARP INTO PLACE IN THIS LOCATION. MOVE TO THE RIGHT SIDE OF THE FORT, AND PLACE A SNAP SCREW IN THE RIGHT FRONT LOWER TARP BOARD IN THE MARK MADE.

4: CONTINUE INSTALLING THE TARP SNAPS IN THE SAME FASHION AS THE PREVIOUS STEP, WORKING DOWN THE TARP AND KEEPING IT TIGHT AT ALL TIMES.





STEP 16: CLIMBING ROCKS

1: FIND FIFTEEN ROCKS AND THIRTY 1-1/4" PAN HEAD SCREWS.

2: MOUNT THE ROCKS IN A STAGGERED MANNER ON THE ROCK WALL BOARDS. TWO PAN HEAD SCREWS WILL SECURE EACH ROCK TO THE WALL.

NOTE: THE IMAGE SHOWN BELOW IS A GENERIC ARRANGEMENT OF ROCKS ON THE ROCK WALL. YOUR ACTUAL CONFIGURATION MAY BE DIFFERENT THAT WHAT YOU SEE BELOW. ROCKS CAN BE ARRANGED IN ANY PATTERN AS LONG AS THEY WILL ALLOW PROPER ACCESS TO THE FORT. BE CREATIVE!



STEP 17: ROPE LADDER

1: THREAD THE ROPE THROUGH THE HOLES IN THE ROPE LADDER SUPPORT FROM THE BOTTOM THROUGH THE TOP. FORM A SECURE KNOT AT THE TOP OF THE ROPE LADDER SUPPORT.

2: THREAD THE ROPE THROUGH THE HOLES IN THE ROPE LADDER RUNNER FROM THE FRONTSIDE OF THE ROPE LADDER RUNNER, THROUGH THE BACK SIDE. TIE A SECURE KNOT AT THE BACK SIDE OF THE ROPE LADDER RUNNER.

3: MAKE SURE THAT ALL THE RUNGS ARE LEVEL, AND THAT THE ROPES ARE TIED TIGHT. IDEAL TIGHTNESS IS WHEN YOU CAN NO LONGER WRAP THE ROPE AROUND YOUR HAND.



STEP 18: SWING BEAM PLATE

1: PLACE THE SWING BEAM PLATE ON TOP OF THE SWING BEAM SIDE RAIL, LINING UP PILOT HOLES.

2: FASTEN THE SWING BEAM PLATE TO THE SWING BEAM SIDE RAIL ON THE OUTSIDE HOLES USING 3-1/2" CARRIAGE BOLTS WITH 1/2" WASHERS ON TOP, AND 3/8" WASHERS AND 3/8" LOCK NUTS ON THE BOTTOM. PLACE GREEN BOLT COVERS OVER EXPOSED THREADS AFTER SECURING.

3: LEAVE THE MIDDLE HOLE EMPTY, IT WILL BE USED LATER.



STEP 19: SWING BEAM

1: BOLT SWING BEAM BLOCK SUPPORTS TOGETHER WITH 7" CARRIAGE BOLTS AND 1/2" WASHERS THROUGH THE 90° ANGLE BRACKETS.

- 2: USE 3/8" WASHERS AND 3/8" LOCK NUTS ON BOTTOM SIDE OF BLOCK.
- 3: USE BOLT CAPS TO COVER ANY EXPOSED THREADS



STEP 20: SWING BEAM

1: PLACE SWING BEAM BLOCK ASSEMBLY ON THE GROUND.

2: PLACE THE 4 X 6 X 132" SWING BEAM LEGS BESIDE THE BEAM BLOCK WITH THE COUNTER-SUNK HOLES FACING OUT.

3: HOLD IN PLACE AND SLIDE 12" CARRIAGE BOLT WITH 1/2" WASHER THROUGH THE 45 ° ANGLE BRACE, 4 X 6 LEG, SWING BEAM BLOCK ASSEMBLY, 4 X 6 LEG, AND 45 ° ANGLE BRACE.

4: USE A 3/8" LOCK NUT WITH A 3/8" WASHER ON THE OPPOSITE SIDE. USE A BOLT CAP TO COVER ANY EXPOSED THREADS.

NOTE: DO NOT FULLY TIGHTEN THE LOCK NUT AT THIS TIME. THE LEGS WILL NEED TO BE ABLE TO BE ADJUSTED LATER

STEP 21: SWING BEAM

1: PLACE SWING BEAM BETWEEN 90° SWING BEAM BRACES.

2: FASTEN THE SWING BEAM TO THE SWING LEGS FROM THE TOP OF THE SWING BEAM USING 7" CARRIAGE BOLTS WITH TORQUE WASHERS. USE 3/8" LOCK NUTS WITH 3/8" WASHERS ON THE 45 ° ANGLE BRACES.

3: PLACE BOLT CAPS OVER ANY EXPOSED THREADS.

4: USE 3/8 X 3-1/2" LAG SCREWS WITH 3/8" WASHERS IN THE 90 ° ANGLE BRACKETS. ANGLE THE SCREWS UP OR DOWN SLIGHTLY ON EACH END TO PREVENT INTERFERENCE.

STEP 23: MOUNT SWING BEAM TO FORT

*AN EXTRA PERSON IS REQUIRED FOR THIS STEP

1: PICK UP THE SWING BEAM AND LEG ASSEMBLY. AS YOU LIFT THE BEAM, THE LEGS WILL SCISSOR CLOSER TOGETHER. KEEP CHILDREN AWAY DURING THIS STEP. AS THE LEGS CLOSE, THEY CREATE A PINCH POINT AND COULD CAUSE SERIOUS INJURY! PLACE THE END OF THE SWING BEAM ON TOP OF THE SWING BEAM PLATE.

2: LINE UP THE PILOT HOLE ON THE END OF THE SWING BEAM WITH THE MIDDLE HOLE ON THE SWING BEAM PLATE.

3: FASTEN THE SWING BEAM TO THE SWING BEAM PLATE AND SWING BEAM SIDE RAIL USING A 9" CARRIAGE BOLT WITH A TORQUE WASHER ON TOP AND A 3/8" LOCK NUT AND WASHER ON THE BOTTOM. PLACE GREEN BOLT CAPS OVER EXPOSED THREADS AFTER SECURING.

4: FASTEN THE SWING BEAM TO THE SWING BEAM PLATE FROM UNDERNEATH WITH A 3/8 X 3-1/2" LAG SCREW AND A 3/8" WASHER.

STEP 24: SWING BEAM LEGS

1: USE THE SWING BEAM LEGS TO LEVEL THE SWING BEAM.

2: FASTEN THE SWING BEAM LEGS TO THE SWING BLOCK ASSEMBLY WITH 3/8 X 5" LAG SCREWS AND 3/8" WASHERS.

3: TIGHTEN THE 12" CARRIAGE BOLT THAT WAS INSTALLED EARLIER. YOU MAY NEED TO USE LOCKING PLIERS TO HOLD THE CARRIAGE BOLT IN PLACE WHEN INSTALLING.

STEP 25: SWING BEAM CROSS MEMBER

STEP 26: TRAPEZE ARM IRON DUCTILES

1: LINE UP THE HOLES OF THE IRON DUCTILES WITH THE HOLES IN THE TRAPEZE ARM.

2: FASTEN THE DUCTILES TO THE TRAPEZE ARM USING 7" CARRIAGE BOLTS WITH TORQUE WASHERS, AND 3/8" WASHERS WITH 3/8" LOCK NUTS.

3: PLACE BOLT CAPS OVER EXPOSED THREADS.

STEP 27: HANGING THE SWINGS

1: PLACE THE SPRING CLIPS ON THE CHAINS OF THE SWINGS, TRAPEZE , AND TIRE SWING.

2: HANG THE SWINGS BY THE SWING CLIPS FROM THE DUCTILES ON THE SWING BEAM AND TRAPEZE BAR. EACH CHAIN ON THE TIRE SWING WILL GET A SPRING CLIP; AND THESE WILL BE HUNG FROM THE TIRE SWIVEL.

3: ADJUST CHAIN HEIGHT AS NECESSARY.

STEP 29: ENTRY PANELS

1: PLACE THE ENTRY PANELS AT THE OPENINGS ON THE LADDER AND ROCK WALL SIDES OF THE FORT.

2: THE ENDS OF THE PANELS WILL REST FLUSH AGAINST THE CORNER UPRIGHTS, WITH THE COUNTER-SUNK HOLES FACING TOWARDS THE INSIDE OF THE UNIT.

3: USE 3/8 X 5" LAG SCREWS WITH 3/8" WASHERS IN THE COUNTER-SUNK HOLES ON THE ENTRY PANEL.

4: ON THE BASE OF THE PANELS, USE TWO 2-1/2" WOOD SCREWS IN EACH END TO FASTEN THE BASE OF THE PANEL TO THE DECK.

STEP 31: FLAG KIT *NEW*

PLEASE NOTE THAT IN 2010 WE CHANGED OVER TO NEW FLAGS. ALSO IN 2010 WE DECREASED THE FLAG COUNT FROM 3 TO 2.

YOU MAY MOUNT THE FLAGS EITHER ON THE FRONT OF THE SWING BEAM OR ON THE FRONT OF THE FORT AT THE END OF THE SIDE RAILS.

STEP 33: TIC TAC TOE

1: LOCATE THE TIC-TAC-TOE TUMBLERS AND PLACE ONE ON EACH DOWEL ABOVE THE COLLARS.

2: CONTINUE PLACING COLLARS AND TUMBLERS ON THE DOWELS UNTIL NONE REMAIN.

> 3: LOCATE THE GREEN BRACKET AND PLACE ON TOP OF ASSEMBLY. LINE UP THE HOLES IN THE BRACKET WITH THE DOWELS ON THE UNIT.

STEP 34: TIC-TAC-TOE PANEL

1: CENTER THE 1-3/4 X 1-1/2 X 10-3/4" BLOCK BETWEEN THE PANEL SLATS ON THE SLIDE SIDE PANEL WALL, 4" FROM THE DECK, AND ATTACH WITH 2" WOOD SCREWS.

2: PLACE THE TIC-TAC-TOE PANEL ON THE PREVIOUSLY INSTALLED BOARD, AND THEN PLACE THE OTHER 1-3/4 X 1-1/2 X 10-3/4" BLOCK AT THE TOP OF THE TIC-TAC-TOE PANEL.

3: WITH A PENCIL, MAKE A MARK AT THE TOP OF THE BOARD AND SET THE ASSEMBLY ASIDE.

4: PLACE THE TIC-TAC-TOE PANEL BLOCK BACK AT THE MARK THAT WAS PREVIOUSLY MADE, AND ATTACH IT WITH 2" WOOD SCREWS.

5: PLACE THE TIC-TAC-TOE PANEL ON THE INSTALLED BLOCKS, AND ATTACH IT TO THE BLOCKS WITH THE PROVIDED WOOD SCREWS.

STEP 35: TELESCOPE

1: WITH THE 1-1/4" WOOD SCREWS PROVIDED IN THE TELESCOPE BAG, FASTEN ONE OF THE CIRCLE TELESCOPE BRACKETS ONTO THE SIDE RAIL, JUST ABOVE THE SLIDE.

2: PLACE THE TELESCOPE STAND AND TELESCOPE INTO THE SLOT OF THE TELESCOPE BRACKET.

3: FASTEN THE REMAINING TELESCOPE BRACKET TO THE OPPOSITE SIDE THAT THE FIRST TELESCOPE BRACKET WAS INSTALLED ON WITH 1-1/4" WOOD SCREWS.

