

# Conowingo Models



## NEIL'S HOUSE

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Thank you for purchasing this kit!

Neil's is a purely fictional background flat building. I wanted to do a background flat that could be fairly universal and easily adaptable to many locations. If it were real, most likely it would be white with either black, white or green trim and may have a porch.

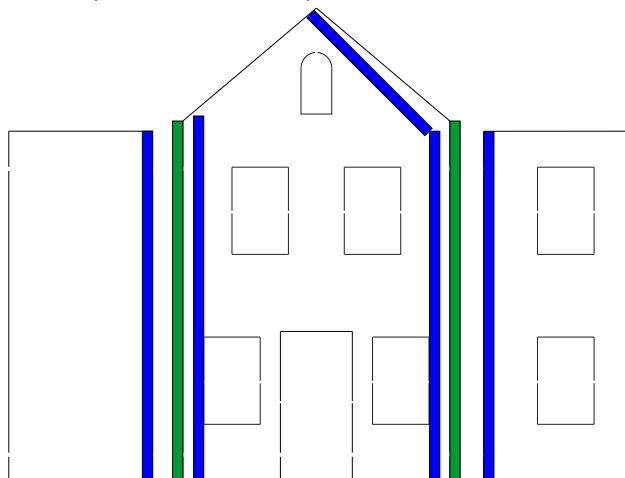
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### BUILDING

1. Bracing – Begin with the 1/8 stripwood. Because of the horizontal clapboard, you'll need to brace vertically. The bracing is in blue. The corner pieces are shown in green and will be installed on step 5. I wouldn't put those on until after the building is painted. Ensure that the bracing goes to the bottom and will be even with the rest of the pieces once assembled.

- Note the side pieces on the following diagram are shown so that you are looking at the non-clapboard side. The bracing on the piece with the windows should be placed farthest from the windows as these will form a larger surface area to glue the construction paper later.

- See also step 7 for an overhead view of how the stripwood should be placed.



2. Paint – While waiting for the bracing to dry, paint everything except the main building and two side pieces.
3. When the glue for the bracing is dry, paint the building and side pieces.
4. Shingle the roof except roof caps.
5. Attach the corner pieces to the front. Leave those pieces a little long at the top. I've found that clamping the corner pieces in place eliminates gaps. Rubber bands can work, but require more effort.
6. Once dry, cut the corner pieces to be even with the slope of the roof. (At an angle, not level.)
7. Use the front piece as a template to outline or cut out (depending on your confidence level) the backing piece of construction paper. Leave it slightly longer at the top to compensate for the roof piece. If you did the outline, go ahead and cut.
8. Glue the side pieces into place as shown below. The bracing should be at the back of the structure. Use your favorite technique to square it up. This is so that the construction paper will have a larger surface area to adhere to. NOT YET THOUGH!



9. Apply the glazing to the windows and doors using your window glue of choice.
10. While you're waiting for the windows to dry, cut and install the curtains or shades as you see fit.
11. Install the doors and windows.
12. Apply the construction paper. You can trim at this stage, but it might be better to wait until the glue is dry.
13. Apply roof and roof cap
14. Please share your photos on our Facebook page!  
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Once again, thank you for your purchase!

If there are any parts missing, please e-mail me what you need to complete the kit and I'll send it your way. Suggestions for improvement are welcome.

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Camera warp is an interesting phenomenon.