

Pudding Box House- Bedroom

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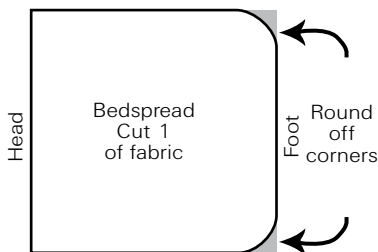
When finished, the house with roof measures 4 5/16" high.

All the pudding box house you made last month with three rooms of furniture. The scale is between 1/8 and 1/4-inch to the foot. Each project uses materials from the list below. Some require additional materials. This month, we'll make the bedroom furniture. The chair stands 5/8" high, the dresser is 3/4" high, the bed is 1 1/4" long, 3/4" wide and 13/16" high.

What You'll Need:

- 3/16" thick foam core
- Felt
- Craft knife
- Fabric
- Craft glue
- Thin cardboard
- Copy-weight paper
- Acrylic paint: Black, White or Off-white; Navy
- Cardstock
- Ruler, small scissors

Double Bed



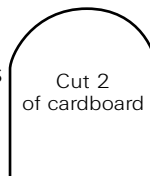
1. Mattress

Cut foam core board 1" x 3/4". Cut two pieces of felt 1" x 3/4". Glue felt pieces to top of foam core. Cut fabric for bedsprad 1 1/4" x 1 1/4". Round off edges at the "foot" of

the bedsprad. Seal all edges with glue. Apply glue evenly to two long sides and one short side of foam core. Starting at foot of bed, glue fabric to foot edge then sides. Fabric should come to head of bed.

2. Headboard

Cut cardboard 3/4" x 3/4". Round off corners on one long edge. Paint headboard and glue to head of bed.



3. Pillow

Cut two felt pieces 1/8" x 1". Cut fabric 1 1/4" x 3/4". Center felt pieces on wrong side of fabric. Spread glue on all sides of fabric. Fold the long sides over the pillow, overlapping on wrong side. Press the glued sides on both sides of pillow together. Glue to bed at top and sides.

Dresser

You will also need varnish and a toothpick for the dresser.



1. Cut the following pieces:

- Foam core - 1/2" x 3/4" (1 piece) body of dresser
- Cardstock - 3/16" x 7/16" (3 pieces) drawer fronts
- Cardstock - 3/16" x 3/4" (2 pieces) sides
- Cardstock doubled - 1/4" x 5/8" (1 piece) top
- Cardstock doubled - 1/4" x 9/16" (1 piece) bottom



2. Glue three pieces (drawer fronts) evenly spaced to one side of foam core. Glue two side pieces to foam core edges. Trim if necessary. Glue on top and bottom pieces flush with back.

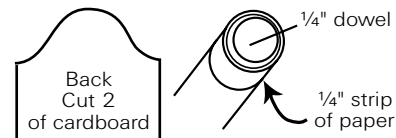
3. Paint all sides. When dry, sand lightly. Paint again.

4. Dip point of toothpick into white paint and dot two "drawer knobs" on each drawer.

5. Varnish dresser.

Slipper Chair

You will also need: heavy paper, a 1/4" dowel; embroidery thread for the slipper chair.



1. Cut a piece of heavy paper 1/4" wide. Wrap around a 1/4" dowel till diameter is 3/8". Glue. Remove paper tube.

2. Apply glue to one end of the paper tube and glue it to paper. Cut around circle close to the tube (seat). Apply glue to seat and

adhere to wrong side of fabric. Cut seat fabric leaving ¼" overhang. Clip to seat, all around. Glue overhang to sides of tube.

3. Apply glue to wrong side of a fabric strip (1½" x ¾"). Glue strip to seat, even with seat. Trim bottom even with bottom of chair.

4. Cut two chair backs from cardstock. Glue fabric to each one. Cut fabric 1/8" from cardstock edges except bottom. Cut fabric at bottom even with bottom edge. Clip fabric to cardstock on the remaining edges. Glue to cardstock backs smoothly.

5. Adhere back to seat, having all bottom edges even. Apply glue to cardstock side of back and attach remaining back, fabric side out, and all edges even. You may use a contrasting fabric to glue a ¼" strip of fabric all around the base of chair. Adhere a thread to chair back where the backs meet. Adhere another thread between base and seat.

Where to find:

Small scale fabric (cotton is best)

- Fabric stores that sell quilting fabric
- Men's shirts
- Friends who quilt
- Thrift stores - look for shirts, blouses, children's clothes.

Cardstock

- Scrapbooking stores (a copier or printer can reduce many "small prints" even smaller)
- Index cards, backs of checkbooks, greeting cards.

Thin cardboard

- Backs (often fronts, too) of pads of paper

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