

40642 Gingerbread Ornaments

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Gather friends or family for a seasonal build with this LEGO® Gingerbread Ornaments (40642) set, featuring 3 buildable gingerbread figures. Build and customize each figure to create unique designs that will bring a fun, festive feel to any home or workplace.

Festive build for kids, friends and families – Enjoy a fun build this festive season with the LEGO® Gingerbread Ornaments (40642) set.

A fun gift idea – Bring a seasonal smile to LEGO® builders aged 6 and up when you give this set as a birthday, holiday or any-day surprise.

Measurements – Each gingerbread figure measures over 4 in. (11 cm) tall.

The front of the box shows all 3 gingerbread ornaments hung up on a christmas tree!

The back of the box shows the same as the front of the box but flipped!

The top of the box shows a real size image of a LEGO ice cream cone.

The build is 190 pieces in total and is for ages 4+.

Bag 1 includes the pieces for the gingerbread bases.

Bag 2 includes the pieces for the decorations that go on the gingerbreads.

Welcome to Text-Based Building Instructions from Bricks for the Blind. Here is some helpful information on how to best use screen readers and browsers: bricksfortheblind.org/help-with-screen-readers. Before you start building, here are some terms we will be using:

- In Front of/Front: towards you.
- Behind/Back: away from you.
- Up: towards the ceiling.
- Down: towards the floor.
- Stud: the bump on a LEGO brick. Example: A 2x1 brick has two studs on it.
- Vertically: with the longest side going from front to back
- Horizontally: with the longest side going from left to right.
- Upright: pointing up towards the ceiling.
- Standing upright: The piece is perpendicular to the ground, like a wall.
- Lying flat: The piece is parallel to the ground, like a piece of toast which fell off the table.
- That one/ppp: previously placed piece.
- Plate: piece with studs.
- Tile: smooth piece without studs (unless otherwise specified)
- A jumper plate is a 1x2 plate with a single stud on top, or a 1x3 plate with only two studs on top.
- “Anti-stud” is a term for the portion of a LEGO piece which accepts studs, like the

bottom of a plate or brick.

- Symmetrically: a mirror image. Example: If you place a 2x1 brick with technic connector on the front wall at the right, connector to the front, and then place another such piece symmetrically on the back wall, at the right, the technic connector of the second piece should point to the back, since it will be placed symmetrically.
- Centered-vertically: even amount of space in front of and behind piece
- Centered-horizontally: even amount of space left and right of piece.
- Row: studs lined up horizontally (left to right/side to side).
- Column: studs lined up upright or vertically (top to bottom/back to front).

For builders with low vision, or a sighted building partner may want to follow along with the printed visual instructions that come with each kit, or PDF versions are always online at LEGO.com for each set: (<https://www.lego.com/en-us/service/buildinginstructions/40642>) As low vision users may benefit from viewing the instructions on a personal device where they can zoom in on content and use assistive technologies to enhance the visuals.

Sorting the pieces:

To begin a successful build, it helps to sort the pieces into groups, bags, or small containers. Have a friend or family member do this in advance following the instructions below. You will see that the pieces should be sorted according to the building steps in the kit. Doing this in advance makes locating the pieces for each step easier. See below on how to sort the pieces to correspond to the steps in this set. Number the containers using letters A-Z, numbers, or meaningful names. The parts will be sorted into one or a small number of steps in the instructions. Example: Steps 1-3 means collect all the parts used in steps 1,2 and 3, and put them in one container.

This LEGO set comes with 2 bags labeled 1 and 2, 1 set of instructions, and some loose pieces. Sort the pieces into groups or piles as described below. Note that where there are multiple colors of the same brick in a step, the colors will be split into 2 groups to make telling the difference easier for the builder! LEGO includes a few spare parts in case you lose something. Set these into their own group away from the rest, in case you need them later.

Bag 1 - Gingerbread Ornaments

Group 1 - Steps 1-13.

Bag 2 - Gingerbread Ornaments

Group 2 - Step 14 and 2 light pink 1x2 round tiles from Step 15.

Group 3 - Rest of Step 15 and Steps 16-18.

Group 4 - 2 green 1x1 round plates from Step 19.

Group 5 - Rest of Step 19 and Step 20.

Group 6 - Steps 21-23 and 2 red 1x3 plates from Step 24.

Group 7 - Rest of Step 24 and Steps 25-26.

Group 8 - Steps 27-30.

Group 9 - Steps 31-32.

Let's get to building!

Building Instructions (Bag 1, Book 1):

Group 1 - Gingerbread Ornament Bases

For steps 1-13, do them 3 times so you end up with 3 identical parts!

Start Building

Step 1

Vertically place a black 2x6 plate upside down in front of you.

Step 2

Vertically place a white 1x2 plate on the right column so it is centered vertically.

Step 3

Horizontally place a light grey 2x10 plate to the left of the 1x2 plate so it overhangs 9 columns to the left.

Step 4

Flip your part over so it is horizontal and the 2x6 plate is on the right. Then horizontally place a black A-shaped plate with 2 sets of 1x4 plates on the front row to the left of the 2x6 plate so the short end faces the left. Then repeat symmetrically to the back.

Step 5

Place a white 2x2 plate on the 2x10 plate to the left of the plates from the previous step.

Step 6

Vertically place a black 2x6 plate to the left of the previous 2x2 plate so it is vertically centered. Then place a white 2x2 plate on the front 2 rows and back 2 rows of the 2x6 plate.

Step 7

Horizontally place a black 1x2 plate with a hole underneath on the front left corner so the hole overhangs to the left. Then repeat symmetrically to the back.

Step 8

Horizontally place a black 2x12 plate on top so it is centered vertically and does not overhang.

Step 9

Flip your build upside down so it is horizontal and the 2x6 plate at the end faces the left. Now place a white 1x1 round plate on the front anti-stud of the A-shaped plate. Then repeat symmetrically to the back.

Step 10

Flip your part over so it is horizontal and the 2x6 plate at the end still faces the left. Now diagonally and horizontally place a light brown 2x4 tile on the front 3 studs of the A-shaped plate so it overhangs to the back left and to the front left. Then place a light brown 1x1 quarter tile behind it on the A-shaped plate so the curve faces the right. Now repeat both parts symmetrically to the back.

Step 11

Horizontally place a light brown 2x4 tile on the front left corner so it overhangs 2 columns to the left. Then repeat symmetrically to the back.

Step 12

Place the back row of a light brown 3x3 quarter plate on the 3 rightmost columns on the front row of the 2x12 plate so the curved side faces and overhangs to the front right. Then repeat symmetrically to the back.

Step 13

Place 2 light brown 3x3 quarter plates, 1 in front of the other, to the left of the 2 previous 3x3 quarter plates so together they all form a 6x6 rounded square. The second two rounded plates' curved sides should face the front left and back left. Then repeat all four parts to the left to form a second rounded square!

Building Instructions (Bag 2, Book 1):

Group 2 - Gingerbread Ornaments

Step 14

Now you should have 3 identical builds! Vertically place them all upside down in front of you so the hole is on the back row and faces left and right. Now locate 3 black 1x1 round plates with a string. They are like an open loop with an open stud at one end. You need to feed the tail into the hole in the ornament and look for the notch out of the open stud part. You place the tail into this notch and then pull it away from the open stud part until it locks into place.

You will have 2 extra light pink 1x1 round tiles. Save them for later.

Group 3 - Gingerbread Ornaments

Step 15.1

Put 2 of the gingerbread bases away while we work on 1. Vertically place it in front of you so it is upright and the string faces the back. Now place a white 1x1 round plate on the leftmost stud of the back row. Then place another 1 on the 2nd column from the right and 2nd row from the back.

Step 15.2

Place a white 2x2 round tile printed with a black eye print on the 2nd and 3rd columns from the left and 3rd and 4th rows from the back. Then place another 1 to the right. Both of the eye prints should face the back.

Step 15.3

Place a white 1x1 round tile with a red and white swirl on the leftmost column to the left of the front row of the 2x2 round tile. Then place a light pink 1x1 round tile from group 2 in front of the 1x1 round tile. Then repeat both parts symmetrically to the right.

Step 15.4

Place 2 white 1x1 quarter tiles, 1 to the right of the other, on the 7th row from the front so together they are centered horizontally and the curves face the front left and front right. This is a smile!

Step 16

Place a light brown croissant on the back left 1x1 round plate so the outer curve faces the back left. Then place another 1 on the back right 1x1 round plate so the outer curve faces the back right.

Step 17

Horizontally place 4 light brown 1x2 jumper plates, 1 in front of the other, in front of the previous 1x1 quarter tiles.

Step 18

Place a white 1x1 round plate to the left and right of the front 1x2 jumper plate. Then vertically place a brown 1x3 plate behind each of them. Now horizontally place a green 2x6 plate with a rounded side on the front 2 rows so the curved side faces the front. There should be no overhang.

Group 4 - Gingerbread Ornaments

Step 19.1

Place a green 1x1 round plate on the front 1x2 jumper plate. Then place another 1 on the 3rd jumper plate from the front.

Group 5 - Gingerbread Ornaments

Step 19.2

Place a red 1x1 round plate on the back 1x2 jumper plate. Then place another 1 on the 2nd jumper plate from the front.

Step 19.3

Place a brown 1x1 clip on the rightmost stud of the 2nd row from the front so the clip hands face the left and right. Then attach a tan ice cream cone to it so the stud faces the back. Then place a brown 1x1 ice cream top with a swirl on the back-facing stud of the ice cream cone.

Step 20

Place a brown 1x1 clip on the leftmost stud of the 2nd row from the front so the clip hands face the left and right. Then attach a tan ice cream cone to it so the stud faces the back. Then place a white 1x1 ice cream top with balls on the back-facing stud of the ice cream cone. Now put this ornament away while we work on another 1!

Group 6 - Gingerbread Ornaments

Step 21

Vertically place an ornament in front of you so it is upright and the string faces the back. Then place a white 1x2 curved tile on the back left corner so the curve faces the front right. Then place a white 2x2 plate to the right on the back 2 rows. Then vertically place a white 1x2 plate to the right.

Step 22.1

Vertically place the back 2 rows of a white 2x6 plate with a rounded side on the rightmost column to the right of the previous 1x2 plate so the rounded side overhangs to the right. This is hair! Now vertically place a white 1x2 plate to the left of the front 2 rows of the 2x6 plate with a rounded side.

Step 22.2

Place a white 2x2 round tile with an eye print in between the previous 1x2 plates so the eye print faces the back. Then place another 1 on the 2 leftmost columns in front of the curved tile so the eye print faces the back. Then place a light pink heart on the leftmost column in front of the 2x2 round tile so the tip faces the right.

Step 23

Place a white 1x2 curved tile on the back 2 rows on the left column of the 2x2 plate so the curve faces the front left. It should overhang onto the previous curved tile. Place a white 1x6 curved tile on the back 4 rows to the right of the previous 1x2 curved tile so the curve faces the front left. Then place a white 1x2 curved tile on the back 2 rows to the right of the previous 1x6 curved tile so the curve faces the front left. Then place the back row of another 1x2 curved tile on the back stud of the front 1x2 plate so the curve faces the front left.

You will have 2 extra red 1x3 plates. Save them for later.

Group 7 - Gingerbread Ornaments

Step 24.1

Horizontally place 2 green 1x3 plates, 1 to the right of the other, on the front row of the 3x3 quarter plates so together they are centered horizontally.

Step 24.2

Horizontally place 2 red 1x3 plates from group 6, 1 to the right of the other, behind the previous 1x3 plates so together they are centered horizontally.

Step 24.3

Horizontally place 3 green 1x2 jumper plates, 1 behind the other, behind the 1x3 plates so together they are centered horizontally.

Step 25.1

Vertically place a green 1x3 plate to the left of the 3 jumper plates. Then place a green 1x1 quarter tile behind it so the curve faces the back right. Now repeat both parts symmetrically to the right.

Step 25.2

Vertically place a green 1x2 tile on the leftmost column to the left of the front 2 studs of the vertical 1x3 plate. Then place a green 1x1 quarter tile behind it so the curve faces the back left. Now repeat both parts symmetrically to the right.

Step 26

Place a gold 1x1 star on the back 1x2 jumper plate. Then place a white 1x1 clip on the rightmost stud of the 2nd row from the front so the clip hands face left and right. Then attach a light brown ice cream cone to the clip so the stud faces the back. Then attach a light pink ice cream top to the back-facing stud of the ice cream cone. Now put this ornament away while we work on another 1!

Group 8 - Gingerbread Ornaments

Step 27

Vertically place an ornament in front of you so it is upright and the string faces the back. Horizontally place a white 2x6 plate with a rounded side on the back 2 rows so the rounded side faces the back. Then place a white 1x1 round plate on the leftmost column in front. Then place a white 1x1 quarter tile in front so the curve faces the front right. Now place a light pink 1x1 heart tile in front so the tip faces the front.

Step 28

Place a white 2x2 round tile printed with a black and brown eye print on the 2 rightmost columns in front of the 2x6 plate with a rounded side so the eye print faces the back right. Then place another 1 to the left. Now place a white 1x2 curved tile in front of the leftmost column of the 2x2 round tiles so the curve faces the front left. Then place a white 1x1 quarter tile to the right of the front row of the curved tile so the curved side faces the front right.

Step 29

Place the leftmost column of a white 1x6 curved tile on the 1x1 round plate that is on the leftmost column so the curve faces the front right. It should overhang 1 row to the back. Then place a white 1x2 curved tile on the 2nd column from the right on the 2nd row from the back so the curved side faces the front right. It should overhang in the back right.

Step 30

Vertically place a white 1x2 plate on the leftmost column on the 3rd and 4th rows from the front. Then place a white 1x2 curved tile behind it so the curved side faces the back left. Then place a green 1x1 slope tile to the right of the back row of the 1x2 curved tile so it slopes to the right. Now repeat all parts symmetrically to the right.

Group 9 - Gingerbread Ornaments

Step 31

Horizontally place a brown 2x6 plate with a rounded side on the front 2 rows so the rounded side faces the front. Then vertically place 3 white 1x2 jumper plates, 1 behind the other, behind the front 2x6 plate with a rounded side so they are centered horizontally. Then vertically place a red 1x2 tile to the left and right of the front 2 jumper plates. Then place a red 1x1 quarter tile behind each of them so they fit in the gap.

Step 32

Place a gold 1x1 star on the back 1x2 jumper plate. Then place 2 black 1x1 round tiles on the front 2 jumper plates. Then place a white 1x1 clip on the leftmost stud of the 2nd row from the front so the clip hands face left and right. Then attach a light brown ice cream cone to the clip so the stud faces the back. Now attach a mint blue 1x1 ice cream top to the back-facing stud of the ice cream cone.

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