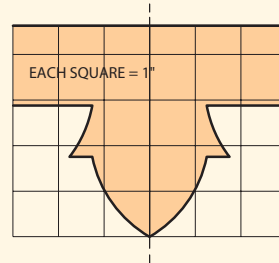


Decorative pieces

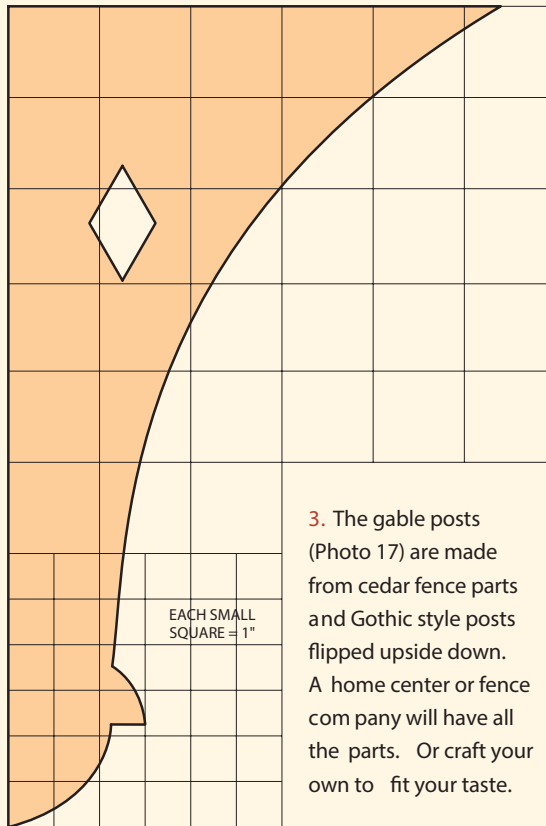
Rafter tails, brackets, gingerbread and gable posts are details that look like expensive custom pieces. But the fact is, they're easy to make. We've provided scaled templates you can enlarge on a photocopier and then cut out for full-size templates.

1. The acorn gingerbread is made from a 30-in. length of 1x6. Trace one acorn in the center and a half on each end. Make the cut carefully with a jigsaw; it's easy to snap off the tip. (I ruined several!) Construction adhesive will keep them from cracking once they're installed (Photo 4).



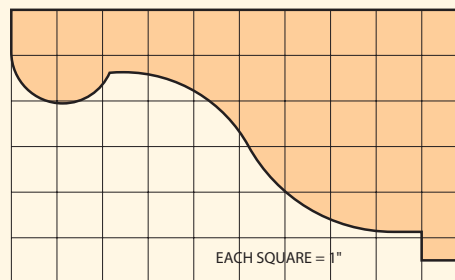
1. ACORN GINGERBREAD

2. Corner brackets are cut out of a cedar 1x12. Flip-flop the pattern down the length of the board to minimize waste. Avoid large knots. Predrill and nail the brackets with 2-1/2 in. galvanized casing nails in each corner of the screen house after you install the screens. Also set them on each side of the decorative post. Notch them slightly to fit around the metal angle brackets. Apply construction adhesive to the edge and toenail in place.



2. CORNER BRACKET

4. Rafter tails are easiest traced from a full-size template. Use our template to mark the first rafter, cut it out and then use that rafter as a pattern for the rest. Use your jigsaw and cut curves slowly to make clean, accurate edges.



4. RAFTER TAIL

3. The gable posts (Photo 17) are made from cedar fence parts and Gothic style posts flipped upside down. A home center or fence company will have all the parts. Or craft your own to fit your taste.