

SAN DIEGO DE ALCALÁ

Here's what we used...

SCENEARAMA® Items

- Desert Oasis Kit
- Building & Structure Kit
- Small Project Base & Backdrop

Household Items

- Craft Paints and Brushes
- Cutting Surface
- Disposable Cup
- Hobby Knife
- Pencil
- Ruler

Did you know?

The first of the 21 California missions was San Diego de Alcalá. It was founded in 1769 by Father Junípero Serra and named for St. Didacus of Alcalá. The mission got off to slow start, because the natives were leery of close contact with the missionaries.

Fun Fact!

Bells played a very important part in mission life. Most missions had a campanario (bell tower) to display their bells.

Helpful Hint

Research the mission of your choice thoroughly before you begin your project.



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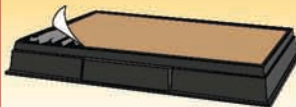
- Research the missions and print photos to use as a reference.

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- Cut *ReadyGrass Sheet* in half widthwise.
- Test fit *Project Base* with *Backdrop* in grooves.
- Trim *ReadyGrass Sheet*, if necessary.

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- **ReadyGrass Sheets**
 - Attach *ReadyGrass Sheet* per Basic Use instructions.
 - Carefully align on *Project Base* and press to adhere.

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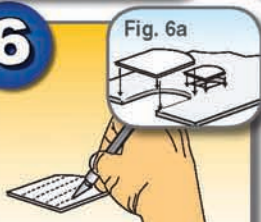
- **Buildings & Structures**
 - Design mission structures.
 - Using a pencil and a ruler, draw walls and bell tower on *Project Board*.
 - Draw roof patterns on *Construction Board*.
 - Cut out with a hobby knife.
 - Test fit on *Project Base*.

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- Place wall cutouts on a separate piece of *Project Board*. Trace window and door openings.
- Cut out windows and doors approx. 1/8" larger than trace lines.

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- Score cutouts to create realistic wood textures.
- Paint as desired and let dry.
- Glue windows and doors to backside of walls. (Fig. 6a)

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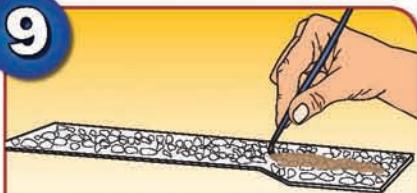
- Use pieces of *Project Board* and *Construction Board* to add details, such as crosses and ornate trim.
- Cut out with a hobby knife.
- Attach using *Project Glue*.

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- **Paint**
 - Cut small pieces of *Project Sticks*.
 - Paint with a brown color wash. Let dry.
 - Glue in openings on bell tower.
- **TIP!** Print a picture of bells and glue to *Project Sticks*.

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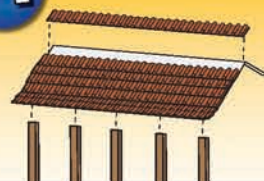
- **Stone Pattern and Color Wash**
 - Using *Construction Board*, create stone walkway.
 - Draw stone pattern with a pencil.
 - Paint walkway with a color wash. Let dry.
 - Paint parts of mission if desired.

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- **Assembly Techniques**
 - Prepare walls for assembly.
 - Assemble walls, roofs and bell tower with *Project Glue* and let dry.
 - Attach structures to brick walkway. (Fig. 10a)
 - Let dry.

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- **Spanish Tile Roof**
 - Use *Ribbed Board* to add a Spanish Tile Roof.
 - Add an awning using painted *Project Sticks* as wooden posts.

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- Place mission assembly on *Project Base* and trace outline with a pencil on *ReadyGrass Sheet*.
- Note placement of buildings, paths, pond, etc.

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- **Project Base & Backdrop**
 - With mission assembly on *Project Base*, design your *Backdrop*.
 - Sketch scenery details with a pencil. Remove *Backdrop* and paint as desired.
 - Let dry.
 - Set mission assembly aside.

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- **Remove Turf**
 - Remove *Desert Sand* turf for grassy areas, pond and placement of mission.
- **TIP!** Save turf scrapings for a later use.

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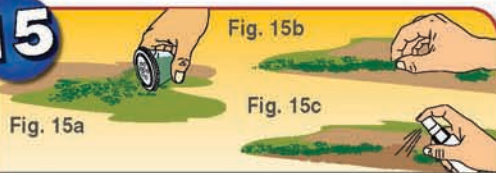


Fig. 15a

Fig. 15b

Fig. 15c

Dilute Project Glue in Spray Bottle and Ground Cover

- Spray diluted *Project Glue* where you would want grass. Sprinkle *Green Grass* on *Glue*. (Fig. 15a)
- Use *Foliage Fiber* to make hedges and bushes. Sprinkle with *Green Grass* or *Yellow Flowers*. (Fig. 15b)
- Use diluted *Project Glue* to attach *Talus* on path for added texture. (Fig. 15c)

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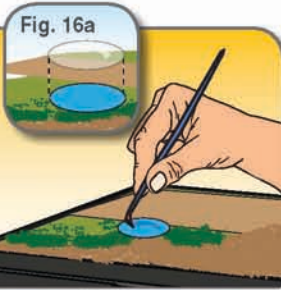


Fig. 16a

- Paint pond. Let dry.
- Cut a piece of *Clear Plastic* to fit over pond. Attach with *Project Glue*. (Fig. 16a)
- Outline pond with larger pieces of *Talus*.

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Plant Trees

- Plant *Palm Trees* in desired locations.
- If desired, add additional landscape materials.

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Contact Gluing Method

- Attach *Backdrop* to *Project Base* using *Project Glue*.
- Glue mission assembly to *Project Base*.

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Labels

- Label and add signage to your project.

Helpful Hint
Flex Paste, available from Woodland Scenics, is great for adding a stucco texture to buildings.

See the **A+ PROJECTS & DIORAMAS: The Student's Handbook (SP4171)** for more information.

More Ideas!

Build any of the 21 California missions with Scene-A-Rama!

