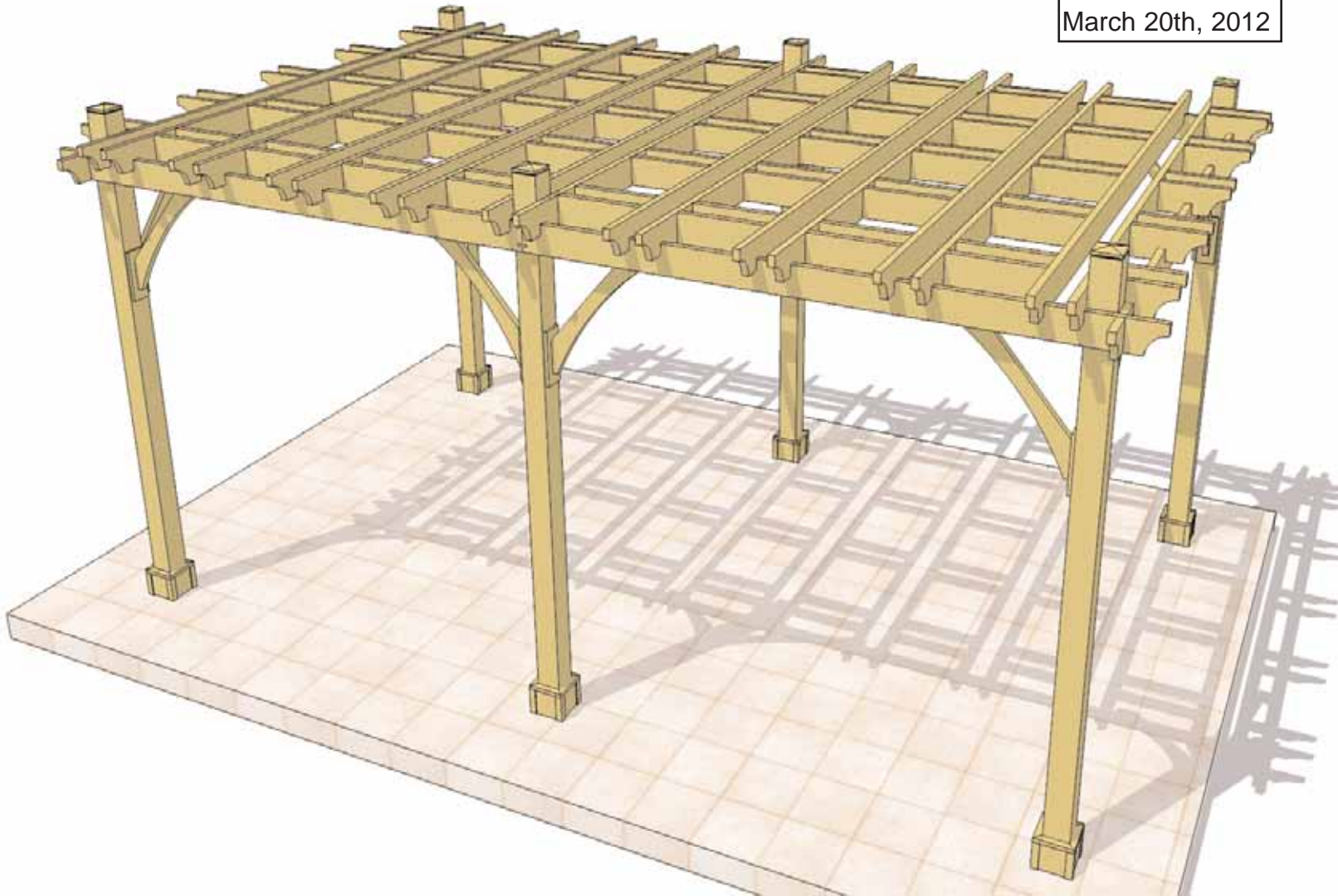


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Note: Post Mounting Hardware is **NOT** included in this kit. Please confirm with your local building permit office to determine the correct hardware in your area.

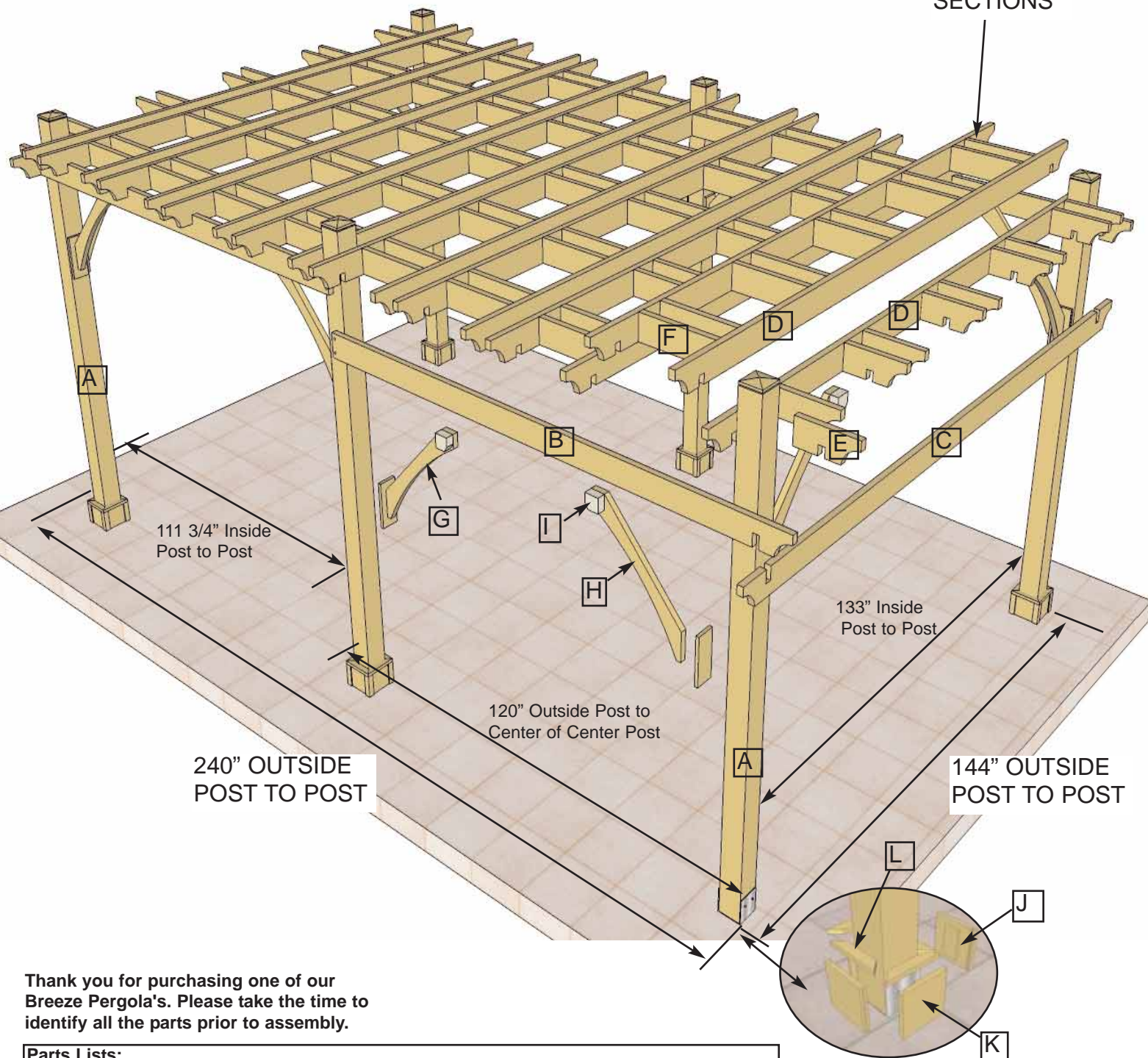
If you plan to paint or stain your Pergola before assembly, be sure to scribe or mark the top edge of Joist where Stub Joists and Ladder Blockings are pre-marked. Painting or staining may cover up markings, making it more difficult to align components later.

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12X20 BREEZE PERGOLA EXPLODED VIEW

8 LADDER
SECTIONS



Thank you for purchasing one of our Breeze Pergola's. Please take the time to identify all the parts prior to assembly.

Parts Lists:

	Thickness	Width	Length	Qty.
A - Posts	5 3/8"	5 3/8"	108"	6
B - Girder (square cut one end)	1 1/2"	5 1/2"	129"	4
C - Girder (deep notch on top)	1 1/2"	5 1/2"	162"	2
D - Joist (shallow notch on bottom)	1 1/2"	5 1/2"	162"	18
E - Stub Joist	1 1/2"	5 1/2"	14 1/2"	20
F - Blocking	1 1/2"	5 1/2"	19"	80
G - Left Brackets	1 1/2"	5 1/2"	34 3/4"	6
H - Right Brackets	1 1/2"	5 1/2"	34 3/4"	6
I - Corner Bracket Post Mount	3/4"	4 1/2"	10 1/2"	12
Post Skirting Kits - 6 Kits / Each includes:				
J - Post Skirtings with Cleat	3/4"	8"	8"	2
K - Post Skirtings	3/4"	8"	8"	2
L - Post Skirting Caps	1"	1 7/8"	9 1/4"	4

Specifications:

Wood Species - Western Red Cedar
 Grade - Architectural Knotty or Better
 Posts - Laminated Western Red Cedar
 Lag Screws and Washers - Zinc Plated
 4", 2 1/2", 1 1/4" Screws - Yellow Zinc
 2" Screws - Stainless Steel
 2" Finishing Nails - Stainless Steel

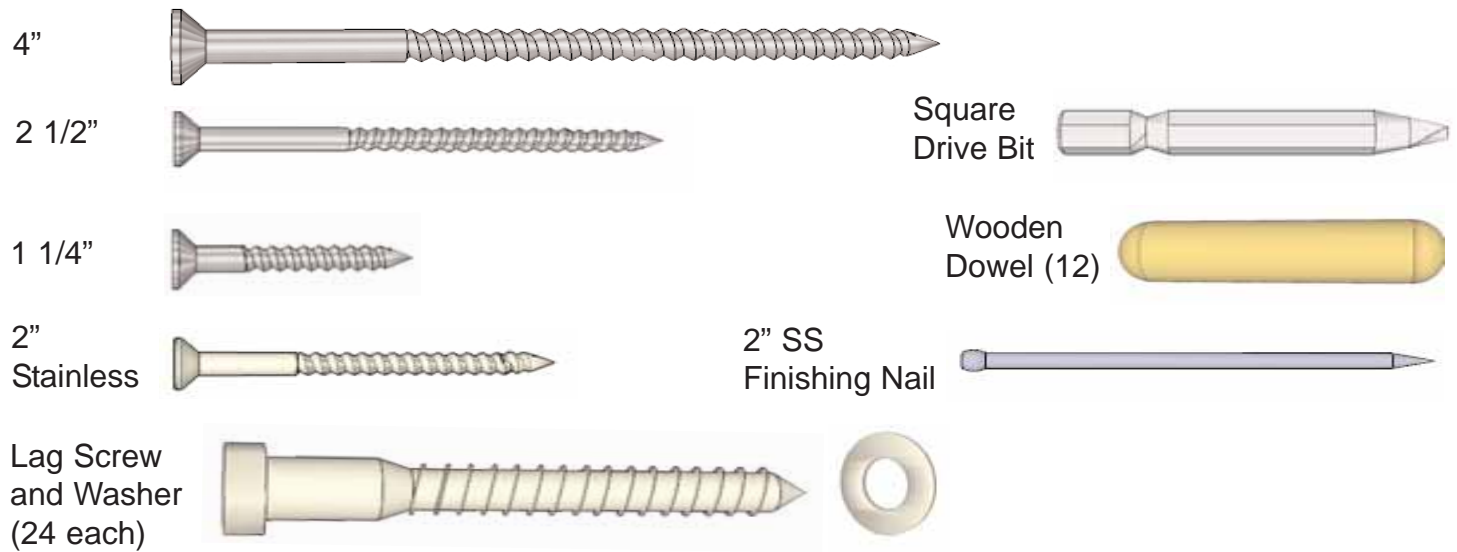
Overall Outside Dimensions:

162" x 258" x 108" high
 Height (Ground to Bottom of Girder)
 95 1/2"
 Post Mounts - Not Included with Kit
 Recommended Post Mount
 Simpson Strong Tie - ABU66

12x20 BREEZE PERGOLA HARDWARE PACKAGE

Hardware Kit (Provided)

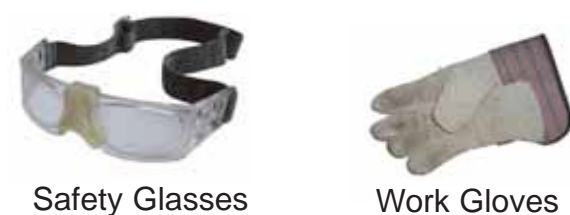
Note: screws and nails shown actual size.



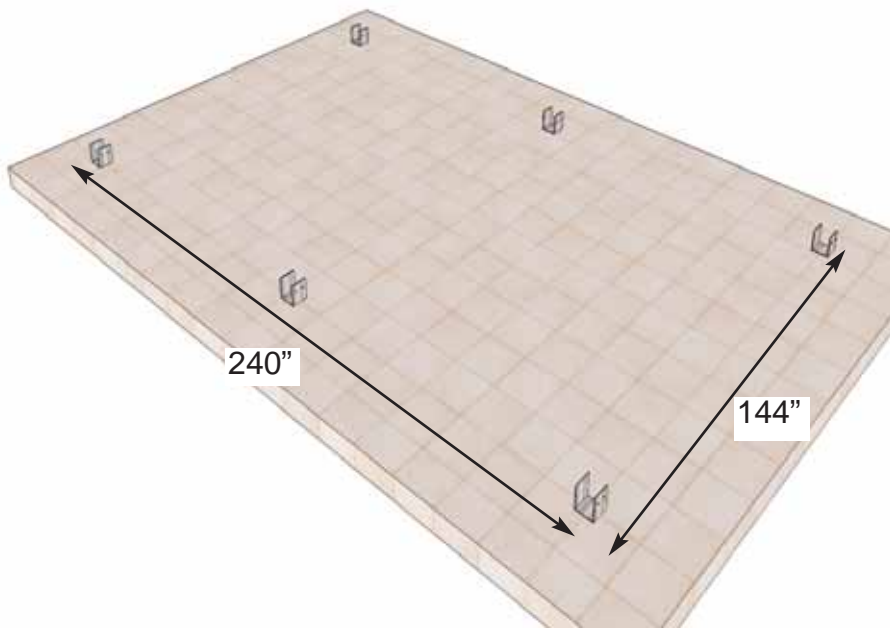
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Laying out your Footprint

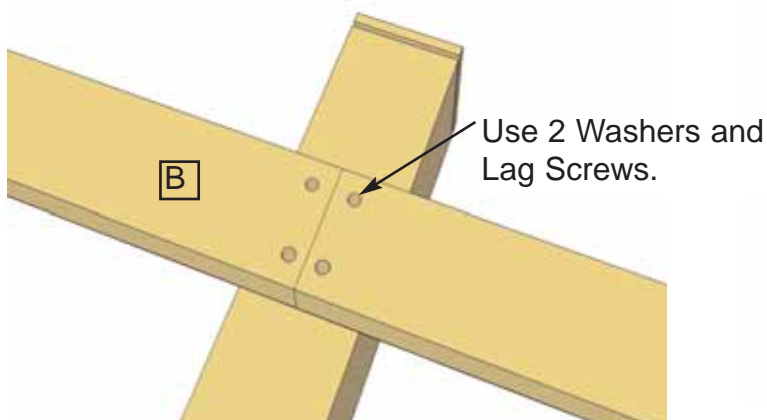
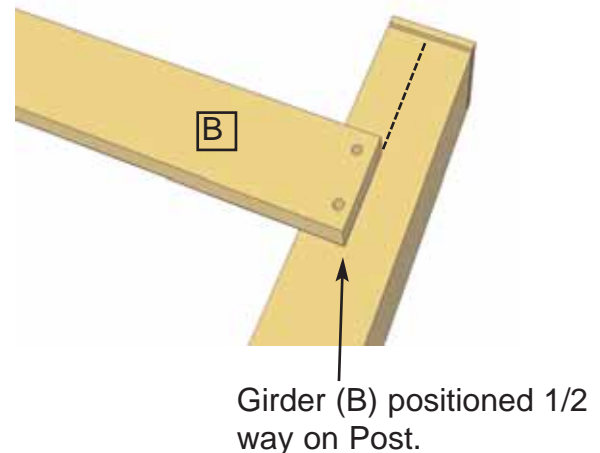
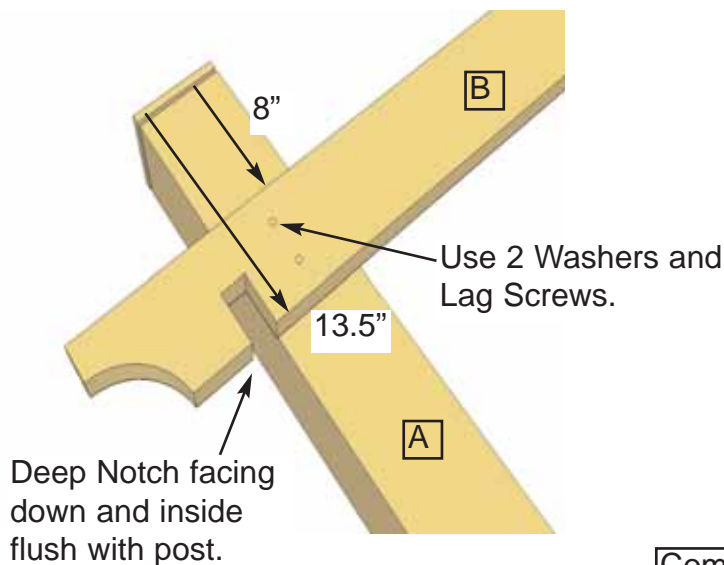


To determine the proper placement of your 5 3/8" x 5 3/8" Posts, see the exploded view on Page 2 to find the measurements and to determine their correct positions. Outside Post to Post measurements for the 12'x20' Breeze are: 240" x 144".

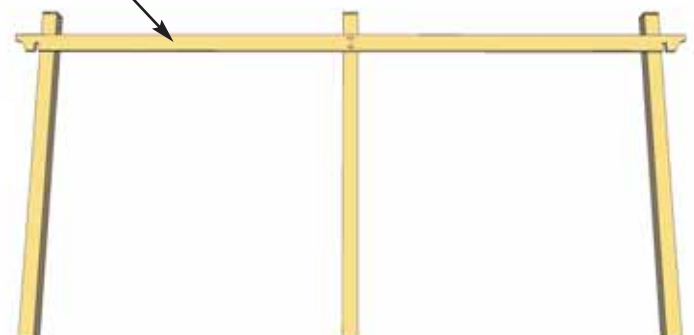
To make sure your layout is square take diagonal measurements.

We recommend that you fix Posts to ground using Steel Post Bases or Saddle Brackets fixed on cement footing. If attaching Posts to pre-existing deck, we recommend that you purchase Post/Deck Mounting Brackets. In both cases, Post Mounting hardware can be found at most Hardware Stores.

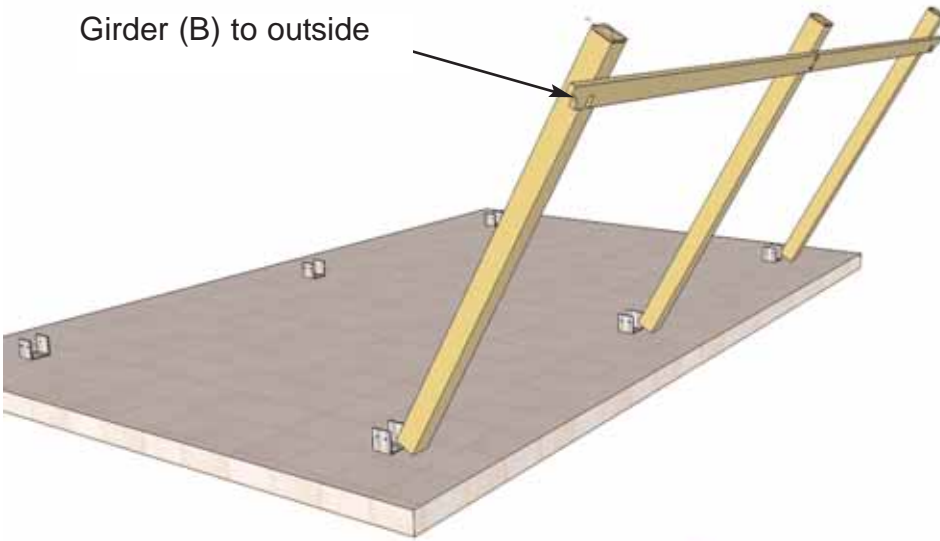
1. On flat level ground, lag-screw **Girder (B)** to two **Posts (A)** approximately 8" from top of Post. Girder (B) is square cut on one end. Complete 2 sets of Girder/Post Sections.
Note; Pilot hole Post first with 1/4" drill bit.



Completed Post/Girder (B) Section.



Girder (B) to outside

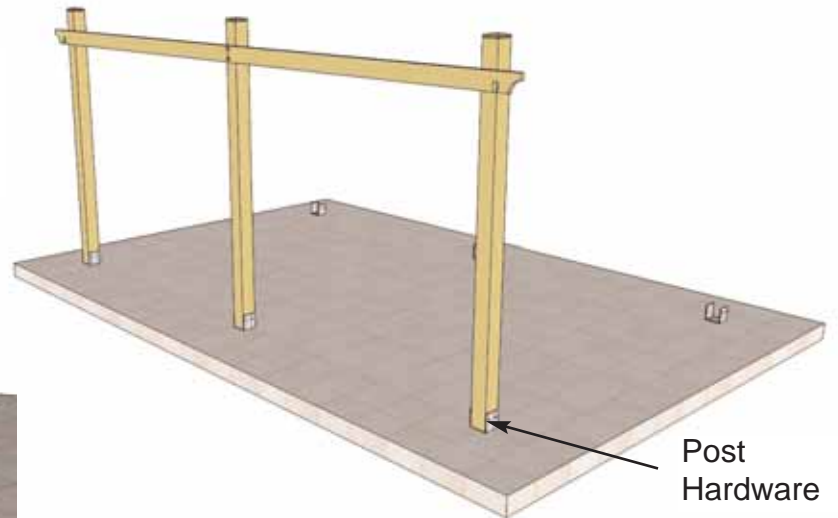
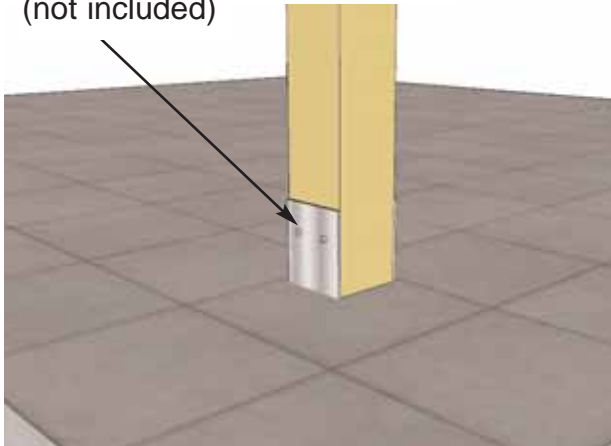


Important: you will need the help of 2-3 people while lifting and positioning the completed Post/Side Girder Sections into place.

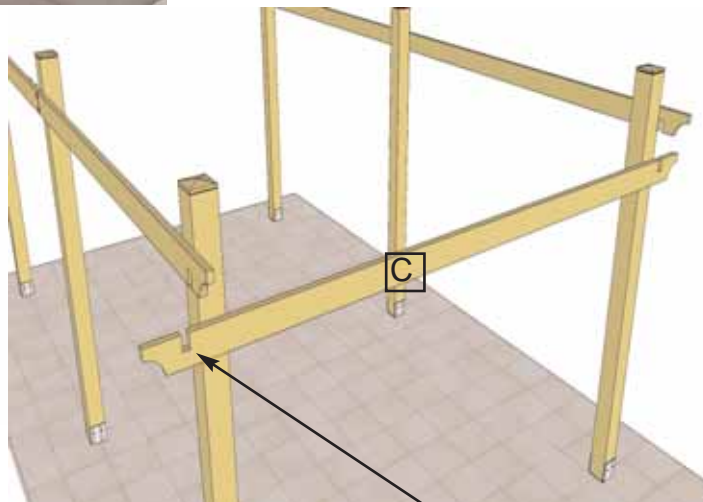
2. Lift up a completed Post/Girder Section slowly and carefully. Make sure B-Girders are facing outward.

3. If Post Mount Hardware is installed, position bottom of Posts in Hardware.

Lag Screws
(not included)

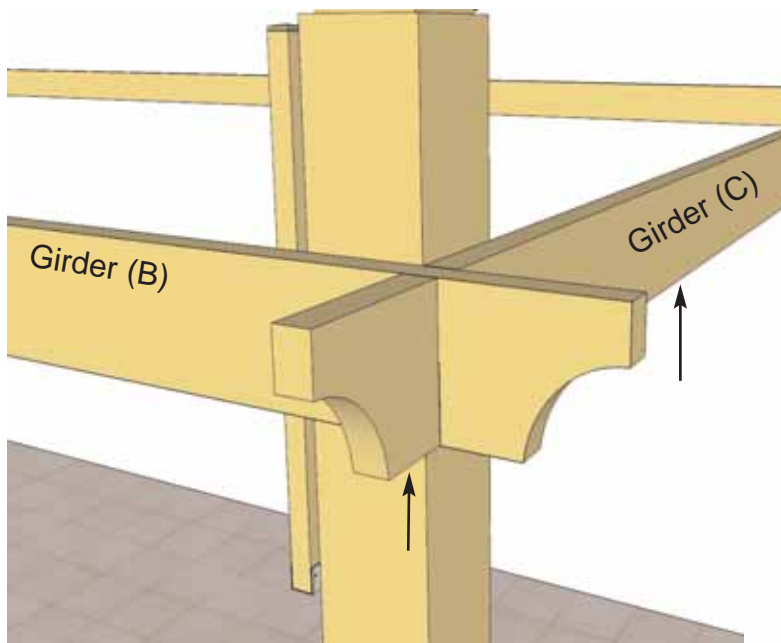


4. Secure Post to Post Hardware with appropriate hardware such as lag bolts or a sufficient number of screws. **(Hardware Not Supplied)**

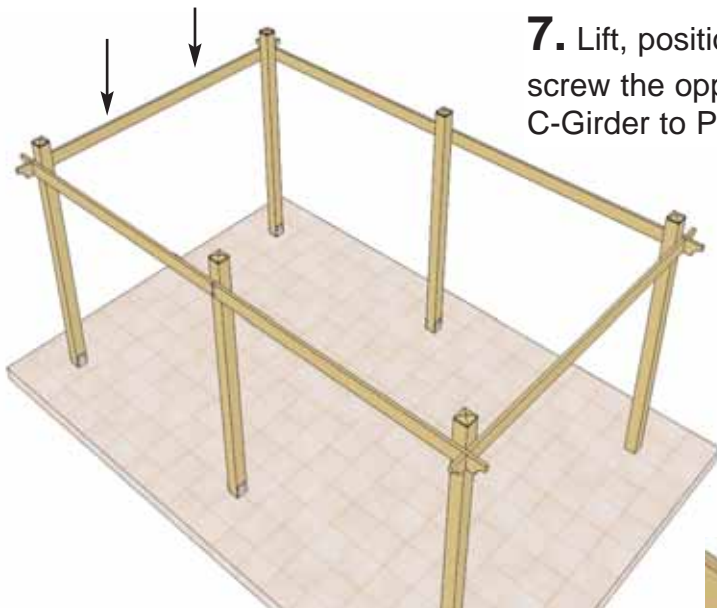


5. Locate **Girder (C)** and lift into position between both B-Girders. The C-Girder has a deep notch facing up on each end.

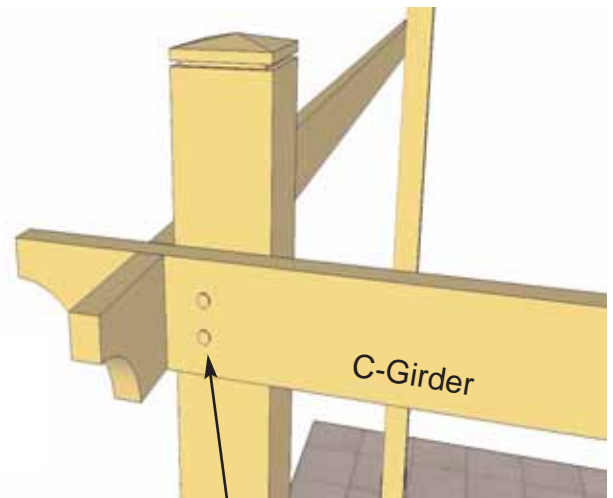
Deep Notch facing Up.



6. Carefully slide C-Girder up into notch of B-Girders. Be careful not to twist the Girder when pushing up into place. Lag Screw with Washers (2) the C-Girder to Post when both pieces are flush with each other.

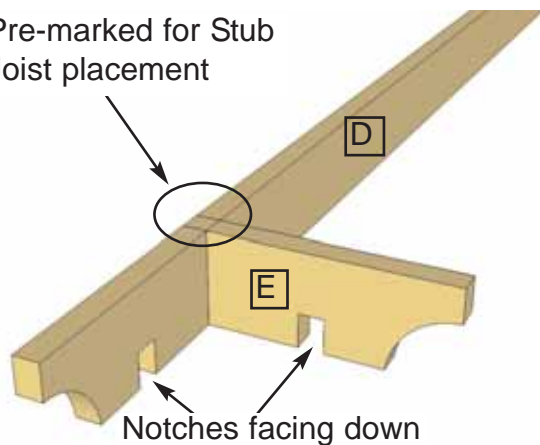


7. Lift, position and Lag screw the opposite C-Girder to Posts.

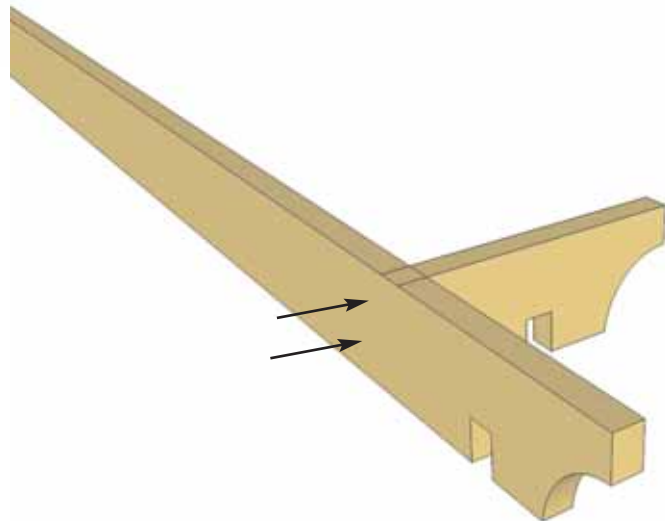


Lag Screw with Washers to Post.

Pre-marked for Stub Joist placement



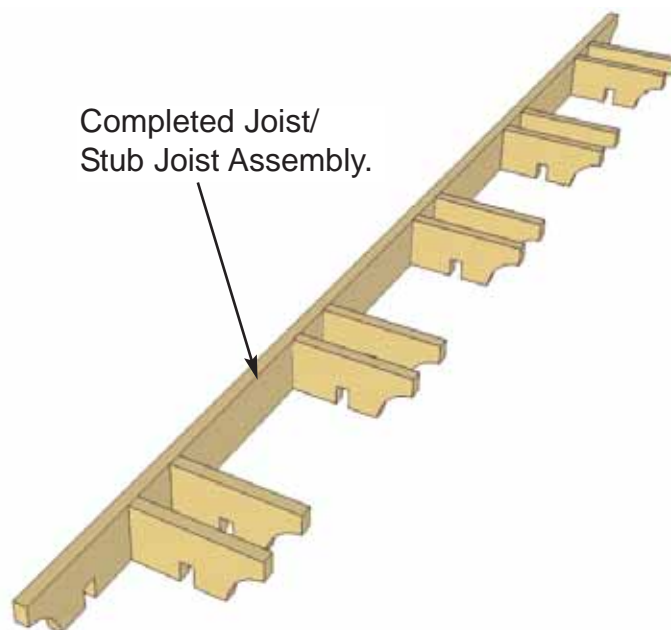
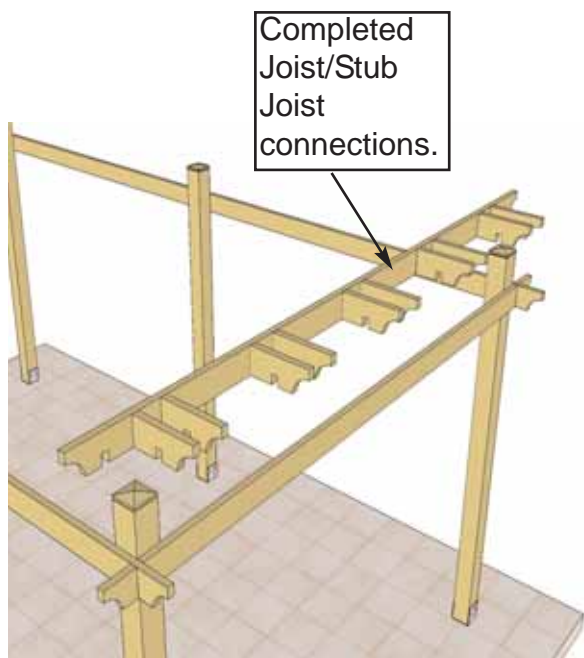
Notches facing down



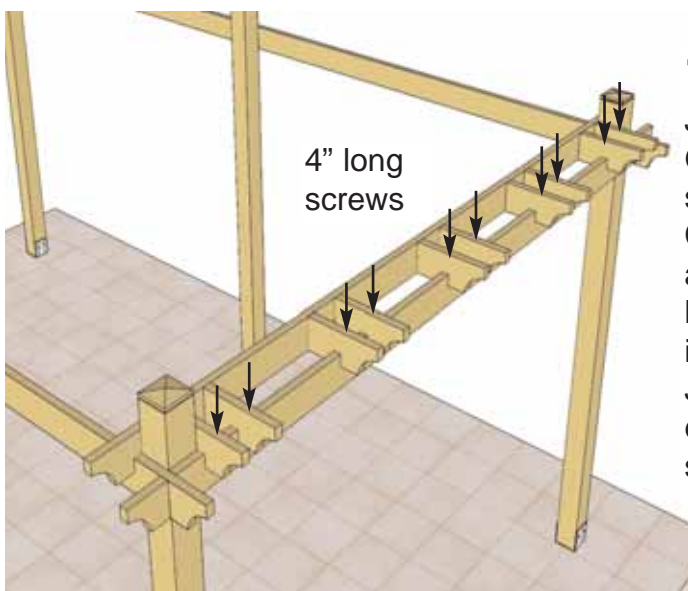
8. On level ground, position 1 **Joist (D)** and 10 **Stub Joists (E)**. Joists are pre-marked for Stub Joist and Blocking position.

9. With Stub Joists positioned correctly on Joist, attach with 2 - 2 1/2" screws. Stub Joists should be flush with top and bottom of Joist with all notches facing down.

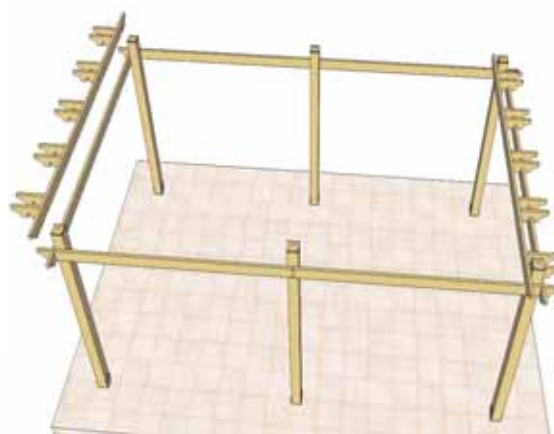
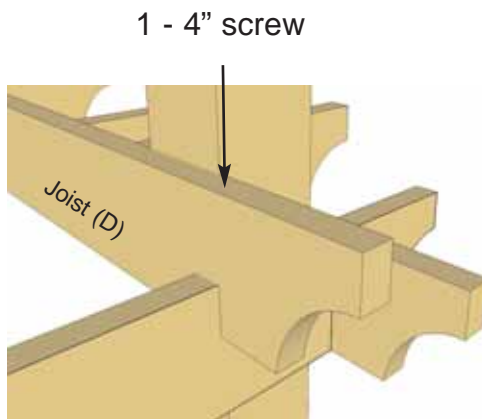
10. There are two Joist/Stub Joist Assembly's, complete both now.

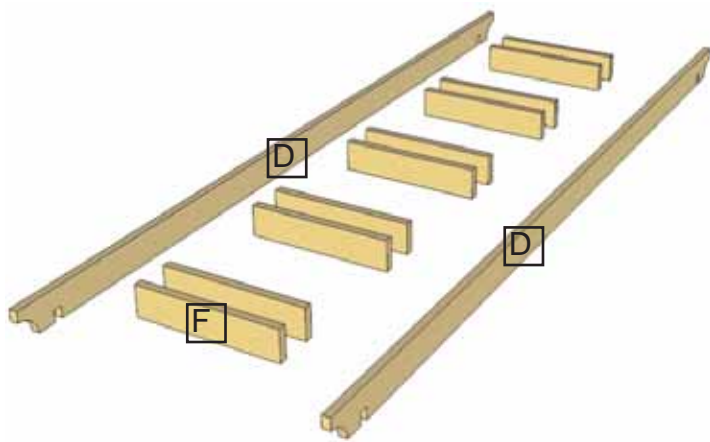


11. Carefully lift up completed Joist/Stub Joist Assembly and fit notches onto Girder.



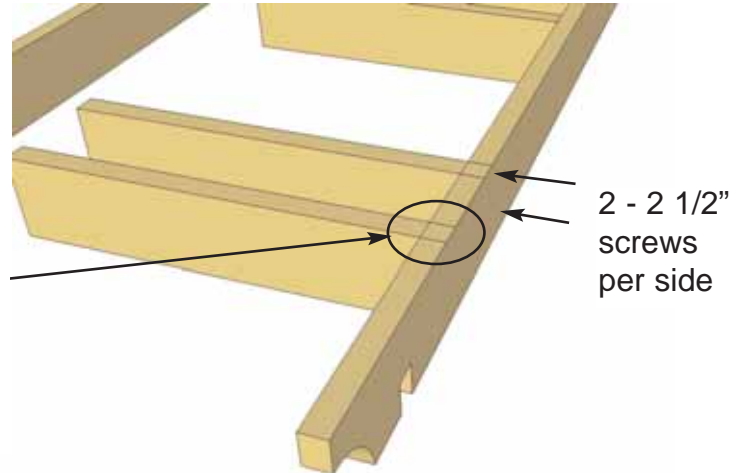
12. Attach all Stub Joists and Joist to Girder with 1 - 4 inch screw per piece. Complete both assembly's.
Note: Drill pilot holes in Joists and Stub Joists to make it easier to screw in 4 inch screws.



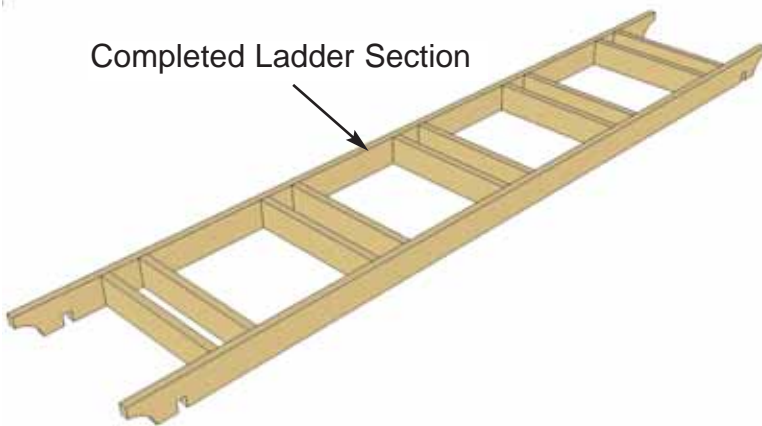


13. On a flat surface, position **Ladder Blocking (F)** where marked on Main Joist (D) and screw with 2 - 2 1/2" screws per piece. Blocking should be flush with top and bottom of Main Joist with all notches facing down.

Joist is pre-marked for blocking placement.

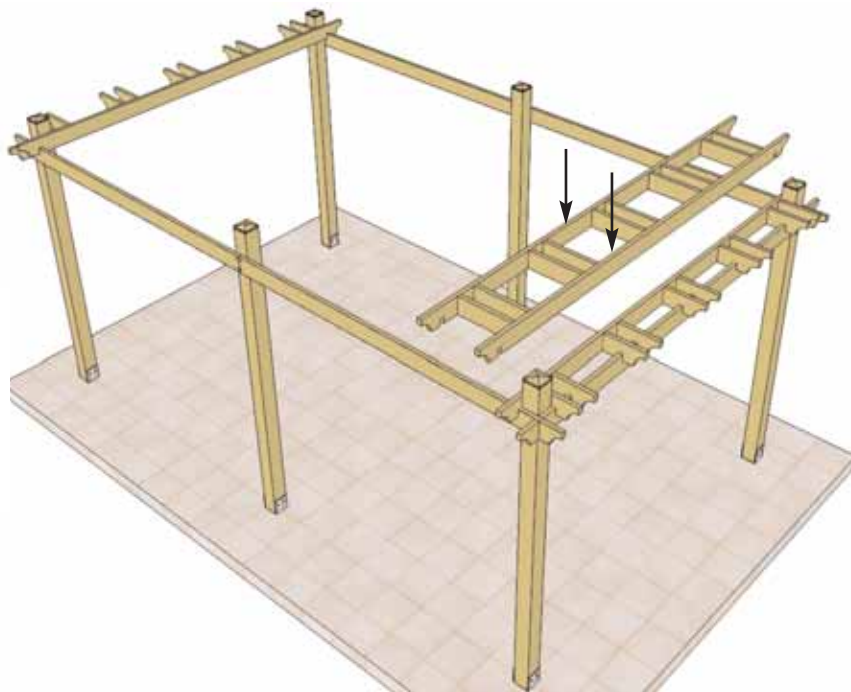


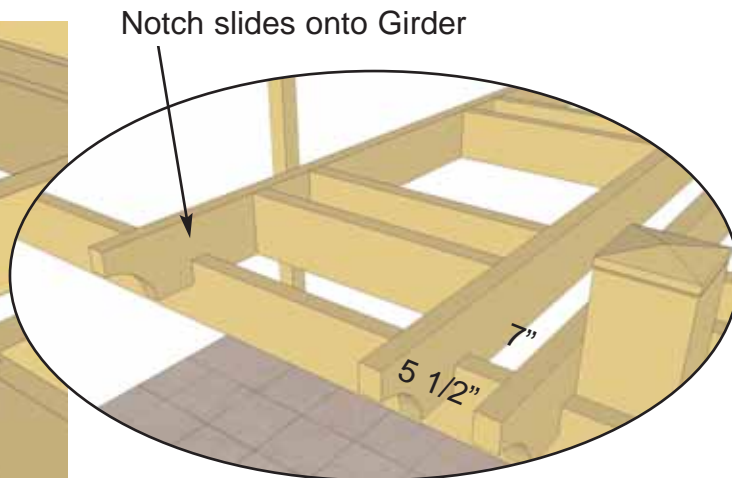
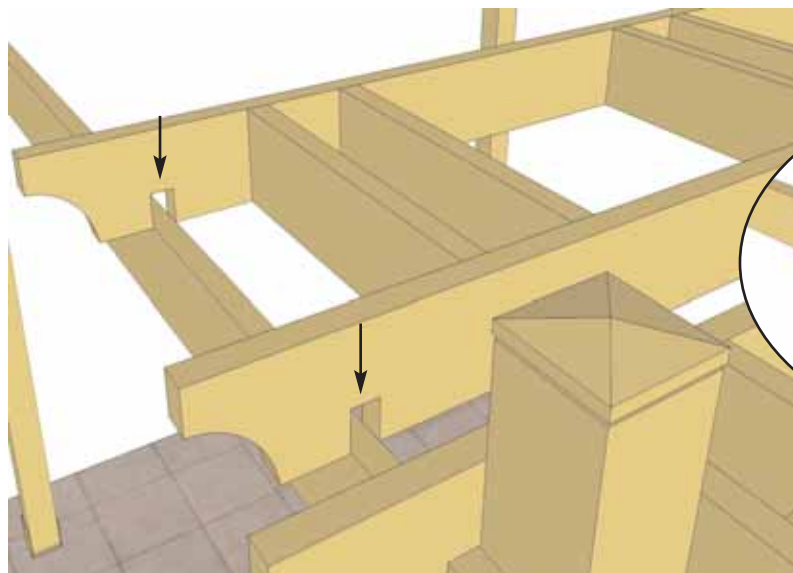
Completed Ladder Section



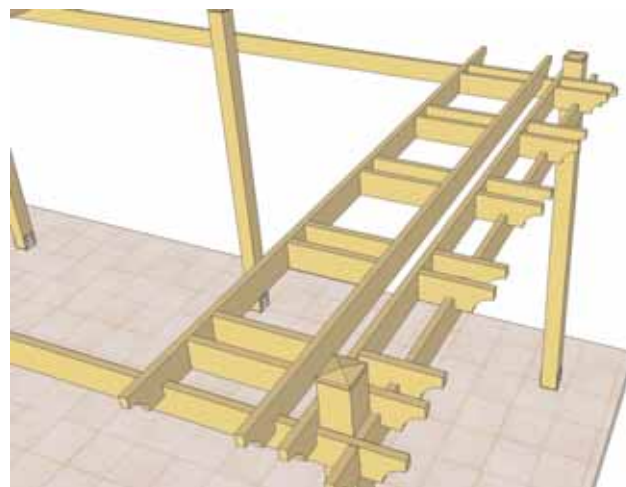
14. Complete all 8 Ladder Sections on the ground prior to moving to **Step 15**.

15. Carefully lift up one of the Ladder Sections between Girders. **You will require a helper to assist in lifting Ladder Sections.**



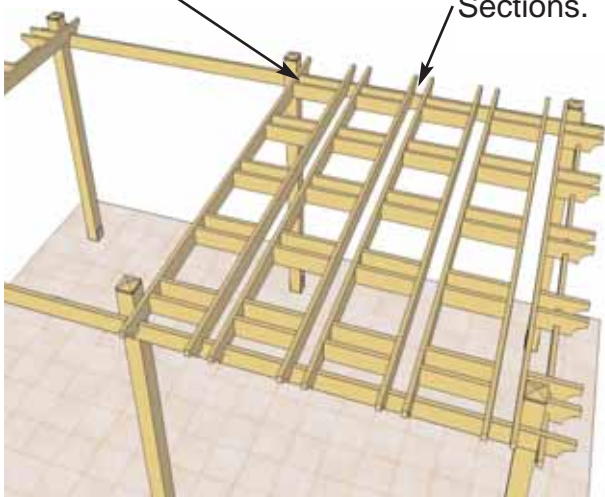


16. Carefully slide Joist notches of Ladder Section onto Girder. Try to align notches so they fall into place all at once. With notches of Ladder Section all sitting correctly on Girder, slide Section approximately 7" from Post. Check alignment of opposite end of Ladder Section.

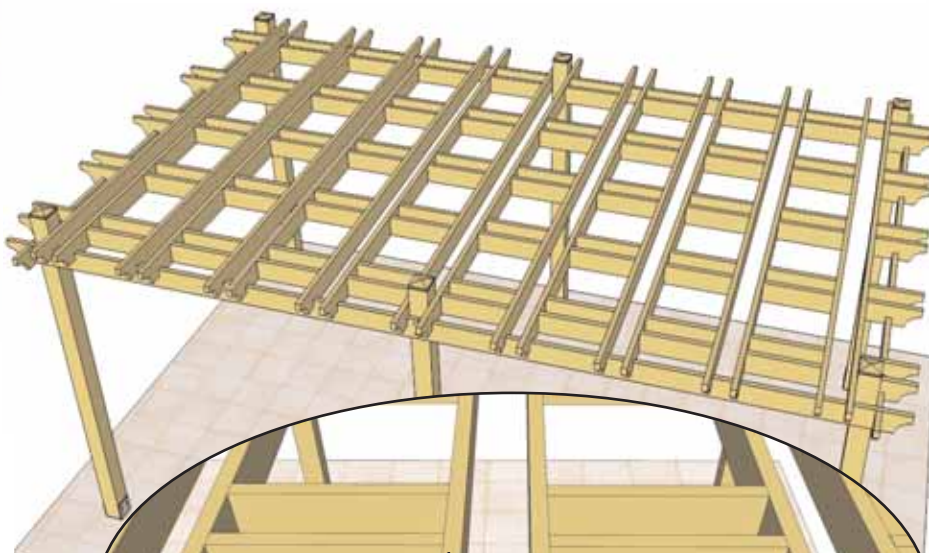


Joist should sit flush against Post.

Equally Space Middle Ladder Sections.

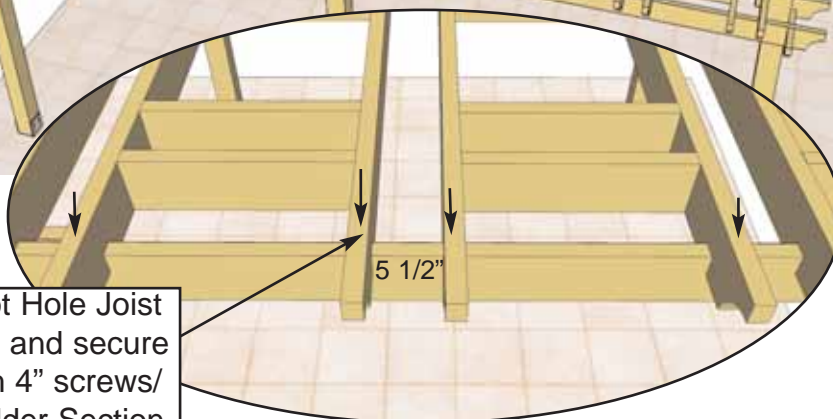


17. Set remaining Ladder Sections in place for side. Ladder Section adjacent to Middle Post should sit flush against Post. Equally space Middle Ladder Sections.



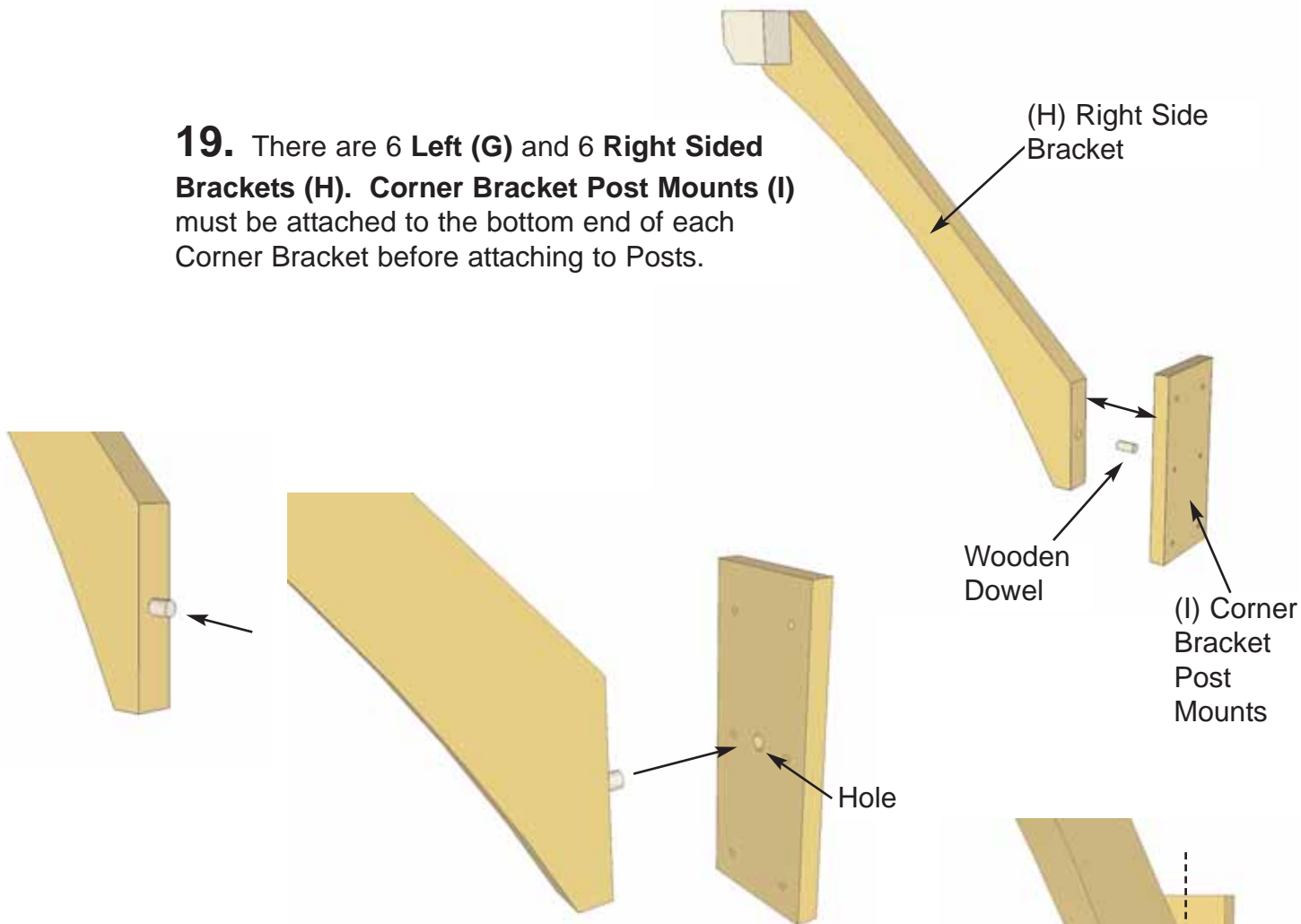
18. With all Ladder Sections in place, check once more for equal spacing. When satisfied with Ladder Section positioning, attach to Girders with 4 - 4" screws per Ladder. Screw from top edge of Joist down into Girder.

Pilot hole screws first to help with screwing.

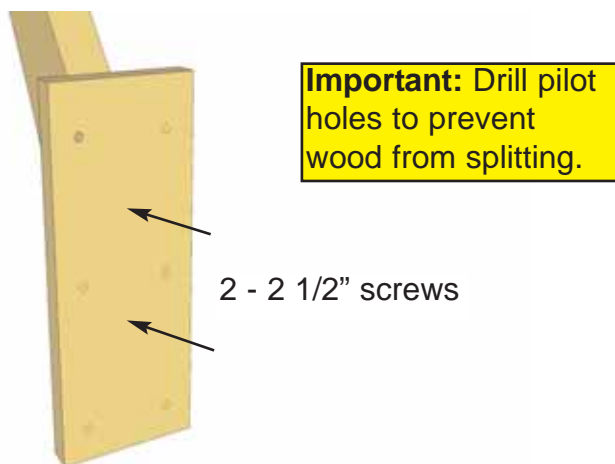
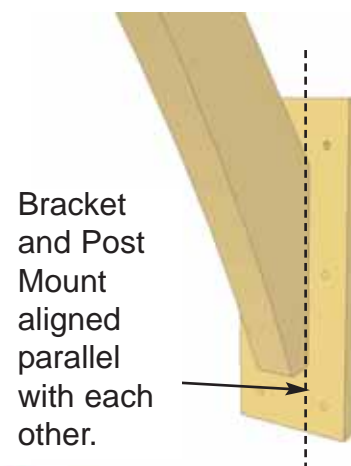


Pilot Hole Joist first and secure with 4" screws/ Ladder Section.

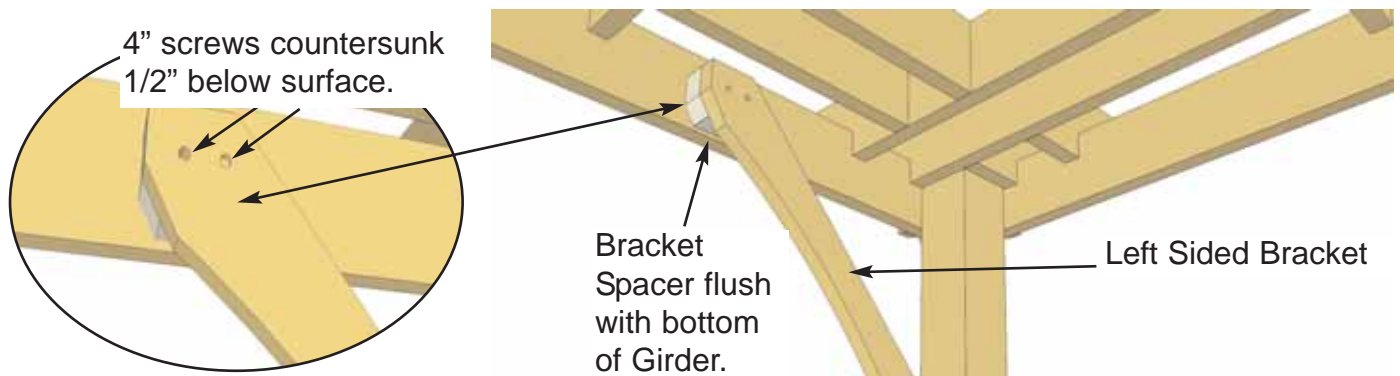
19. There are 6 **Left (G)** and 6 **Right Sided Brackets (H)**. **Corner Bracket Post Mounts (I)** must be attached to the bottom end of each Corner Bracket before attaching to Posts.



20. To assist you with Bracket and Post Mount alignment, both the end of the Bracket and Post Mount have been drilled for a **Wooden Dowel**. Wooden Dowels are found in the Hardware Kit Bag. Insert a Wooden Dowel in end of Bracket first and then push Post Mount onto Dowel until Bracket and Post Mount are flush together. Align Post Mount parallel with Bracket.

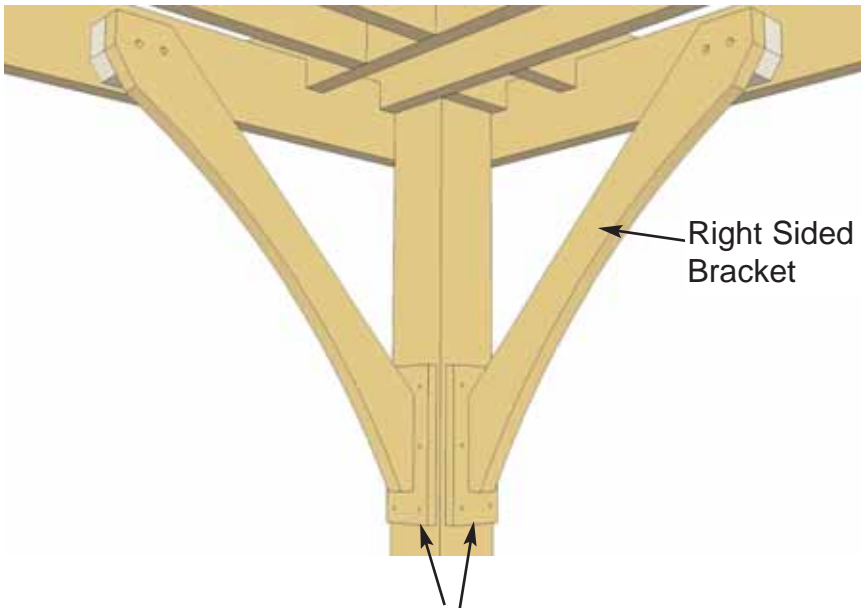
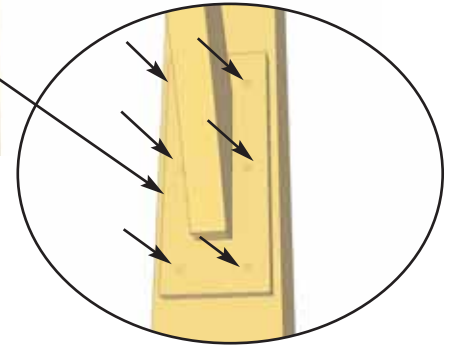


21. With Bracket and Post Mount correctly aligned, screw Post Mount to Bracket with 2 - 2 1/2" screws. **Important: Drill pilot holes in Post Mounts and Bracket to prevent wood from splitting!** Complete all remaining Bracket/Post Mount connections.



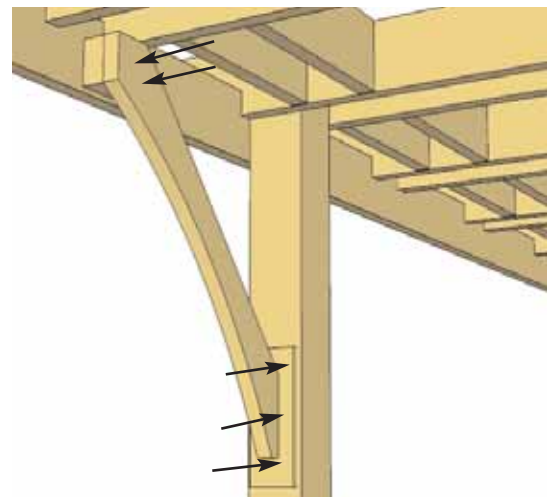
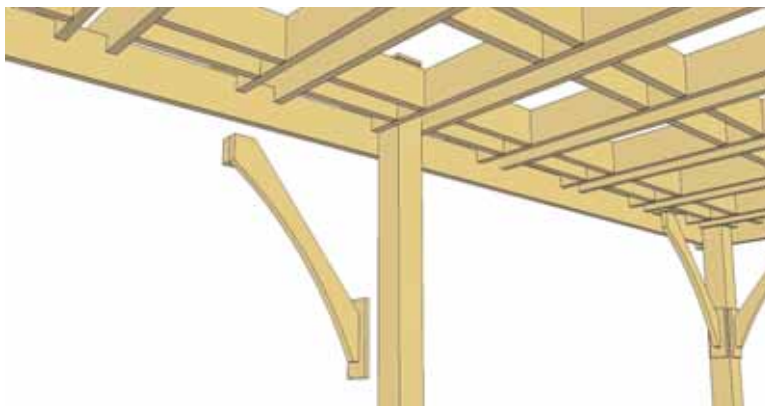
Important: Posts may need to be aligned so they are true and square to mount Corner Brackets correctly. Use a Level to determine correct Post position.

22. Lift completed Left Sided Bracket up and align bottom of Bracket Spacer flush with bottom of Girder. At bottom of Bracket, align Post Mount evenly and tight against Post. When correctly aligned, secure at top with 2 - 4" Screws. To secure Post Mount, use 6 - 2" Stainless Steel Screws. Note: Post Mount and Top of Bracket are pre-drilled.



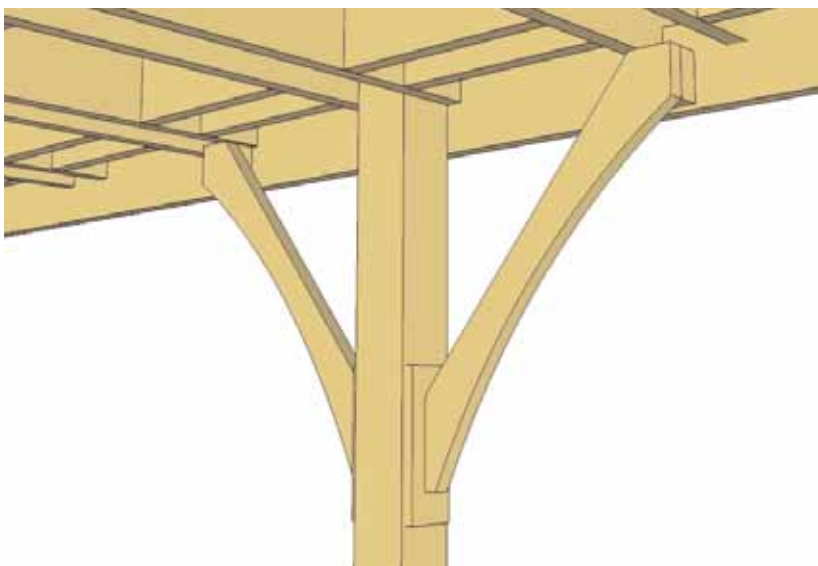
Align Bracket on Post at same height.

23. Align and attach a Right Sided Bracket on Post as per **Step 22**. Make sure both Brackets are aligned on Post at the same height before attaching.

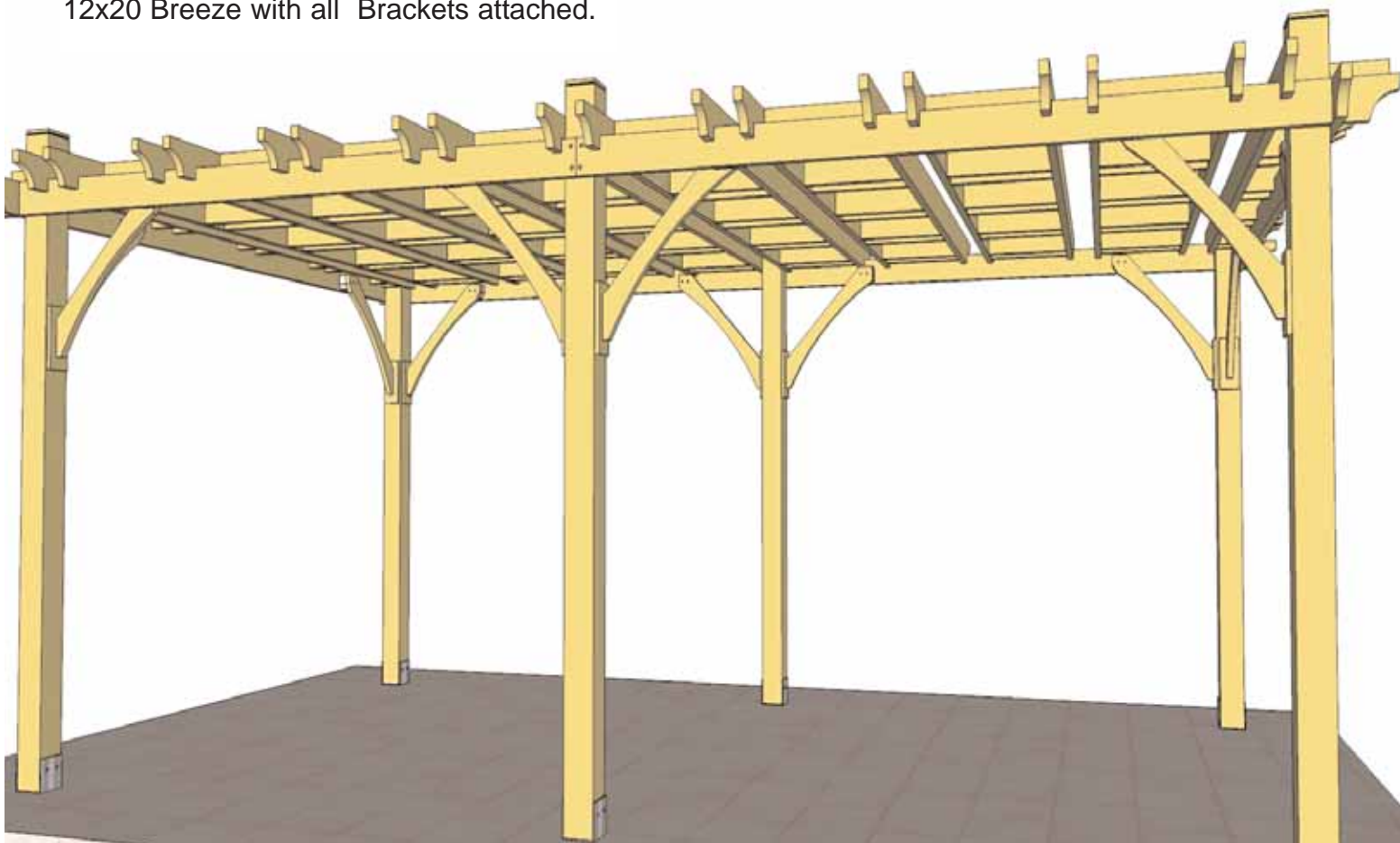


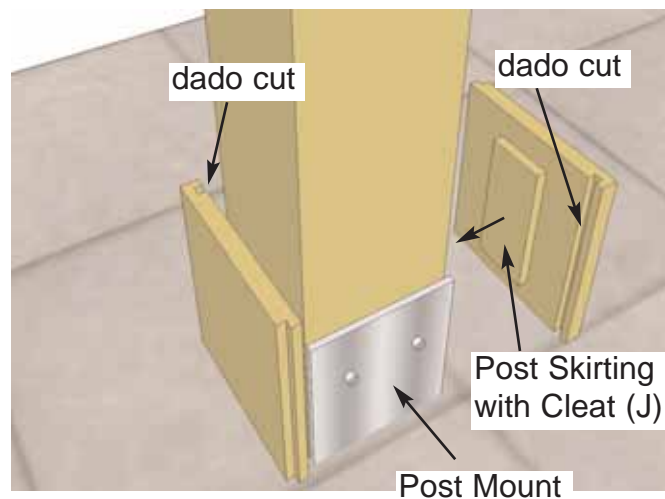
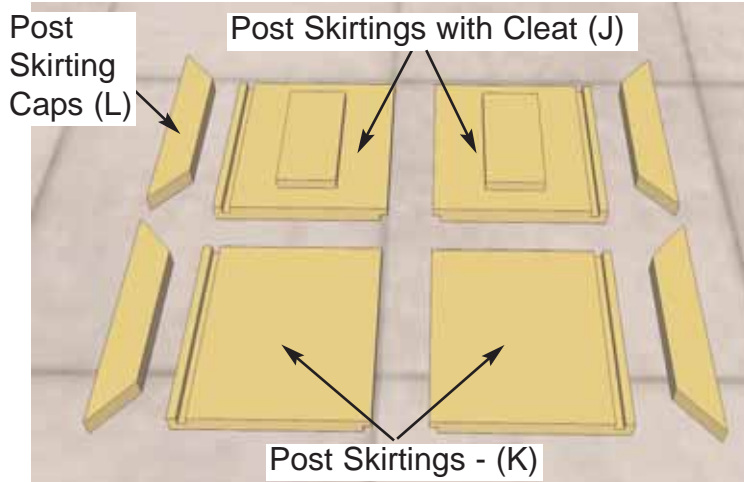
24. Position and attach Bracket to center post as per **Steps 22-23**.

25. Complete both the left and right Brackets on each remaining center post. Once again, make sure both brackets are centered on post and are the same height as the outside corner brackets.

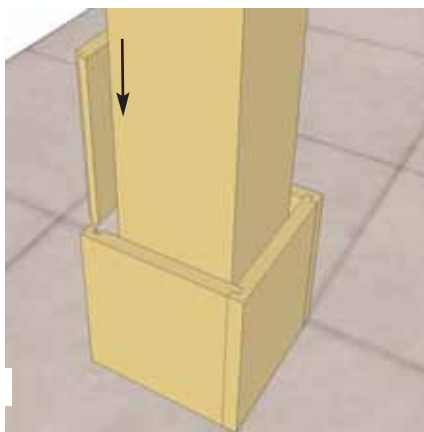
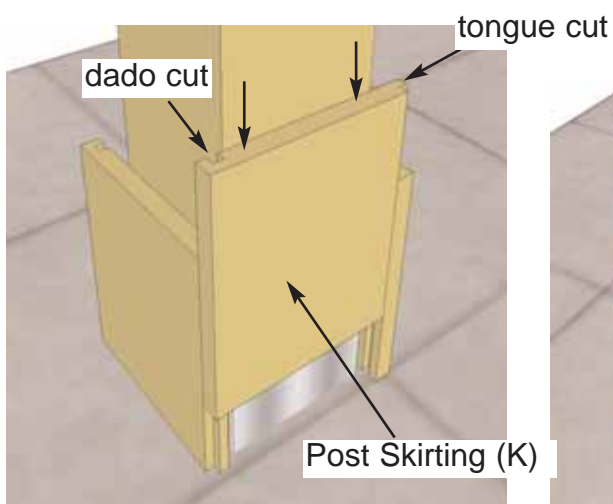


12x20 Breeze with all Brackets attached.



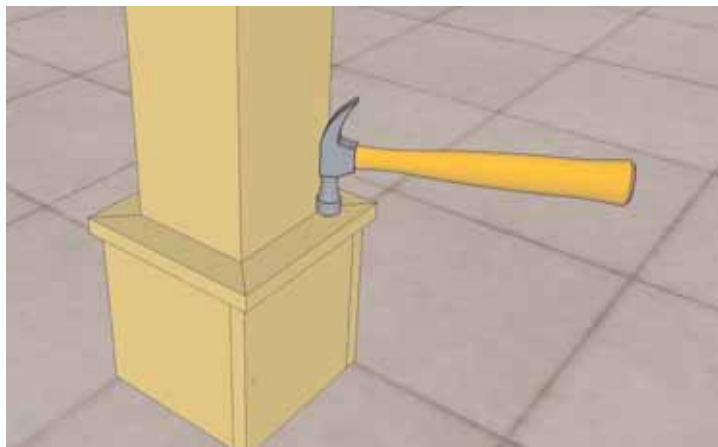
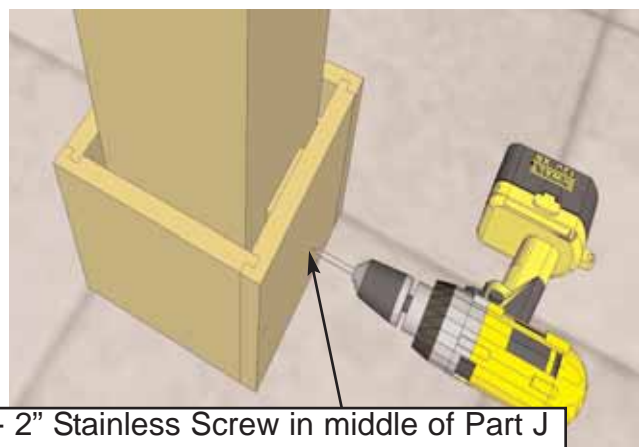


26. To complete your Breeze, position 2 **Post Skirtings with Cleats (J)** on opposite sides of Post with Dado cuts facing to the inside as shown above. Cleat should be aligned tight against Post and not against Post Mount Hardware.



27. Slide the tongue and dado cuts of both **Post Skirtings (K) Pieces** into the adjoining tongue and dado cuts of **Part J**. Align all skirting pieces evenly at top. Carefully secure Post Skirtings together with with 1 - 1 1/4" screw per dado cut side. (1 per side).

Important - Drill 1/8" pilot hole first to prevent wood from splitting!

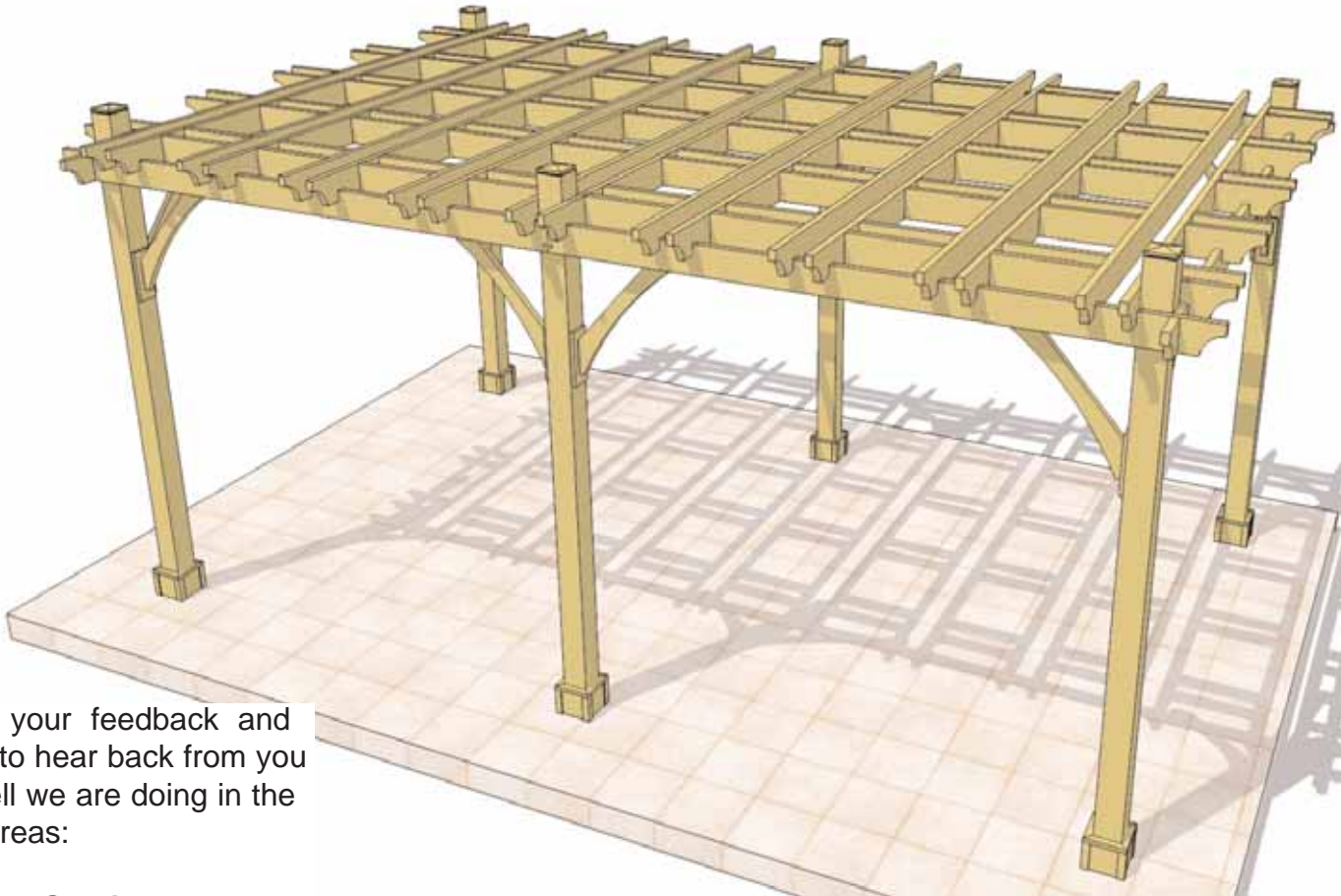


28. Secure Skirting Unit to Post by screwing 1 - 2" SS Screw into each Post Skirting with Cleat (J). Align **Post Skirting Caps (L)** tight against Post and equally from side to side of skirting frame. Nail Cap down into Skirting with 3 - 2" SS Finishing nails per piece. Complete remaining Post Skirtings.



Congratulations on building your 12X20 Breeze Pergola

Note: Our Pergola's are shipped as an unfinished product. If exposed to the elements, the Western Red Cedar lumber will weather to a silvery-gray color. If you prefer to keep the cedar lumber looking closer to the original color, we suggest that you treat the wood with a good oil based wood stain. You may also wish to paint your new Pergola rather than stain it. In both cases we recommend that you consult with a paint and stain dealer in your area.



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