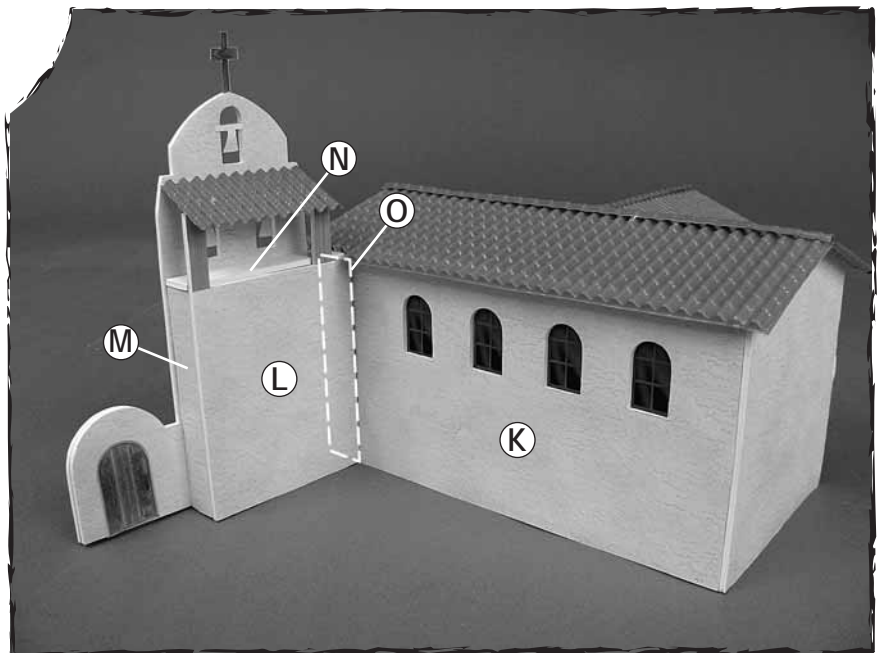
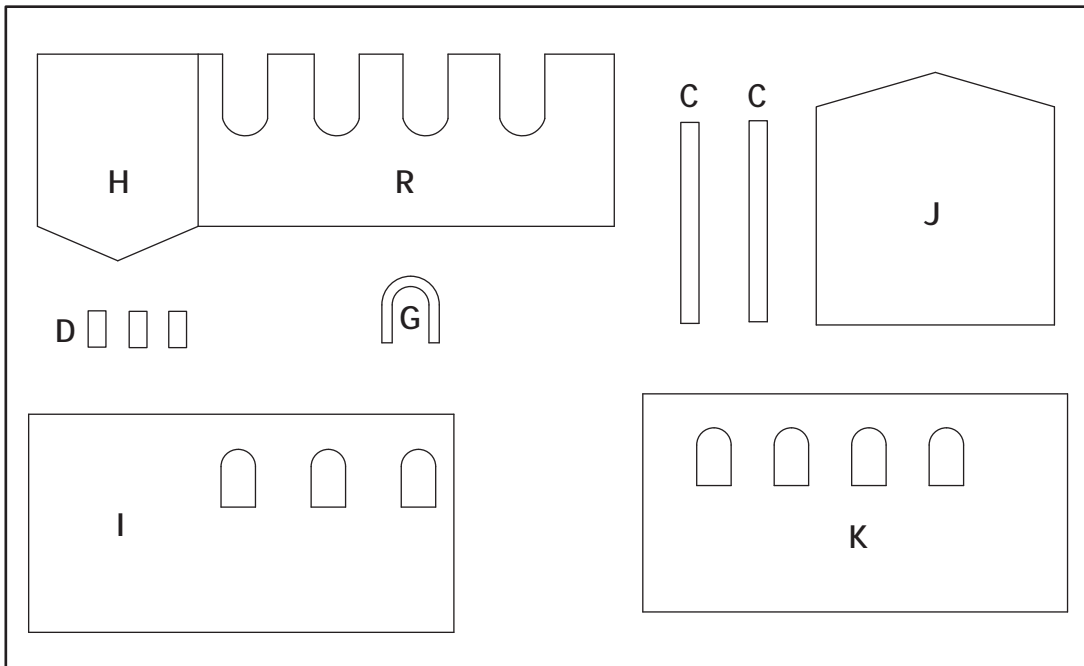
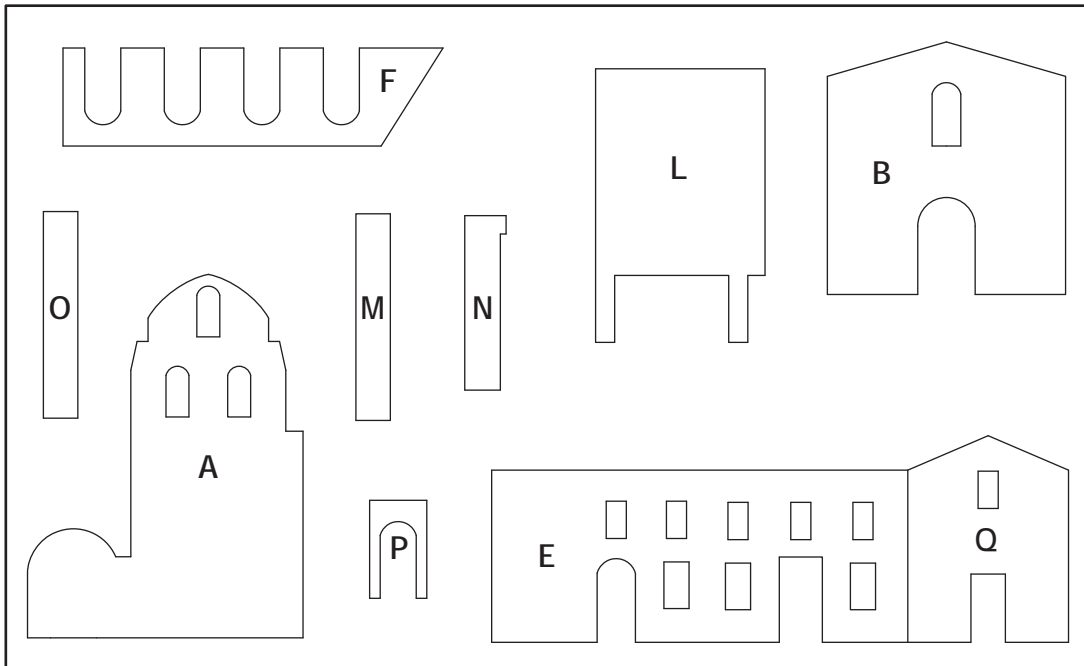


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Mission Santa Inés



### Mission Santa Inés Virgen y Martir

Number in Series: 19

Founded: September 17 1804 by Frs. Jose Antonio Calzada and Romualdo Gutierrez

Founder President: Padre Estévan Tápis

Named for: Saint Agnes

Nickname: Mission of the Passes

Indian Name: Alajulapu

Mission Santa Ines was founded on September 17, 1804, by Father Estevan Tapis. Named after St. Agnes, it is 19th in the mission chain. Located in the beautiful Santa Ynez Valley, with miles of fertile land, this mission quickly flourished.

The Chumash Indians were familiar with mission work and learned their trades well. In 1824, however, tired of harsh treatment by the soldiers, the Indians revolted and burned many of the mission buildings.

Santa Ines was a lonely place with few visitors. In fact, travelers were so rare that when one was spotted, the bells were rung and everyone at the mission came to greet them. The original chapel was destroyed in the earthquake of 1812 and the present brick and adobe building was completed in 1817.

After secularization the mission fell into disrepair until restoration was started by the new mission pastor in 1904. Major restoration began in 1947, financed by the Hearst Foundation. Today the mission is an active parish, cared for by the Franciscan Order.