## COLLECTORS NO. 40054



Bachelor's Chest Circa 1750

The bachelor of the 1700's was constantly changing his residence, as he sought to establish himself in a career. His quarters were often shared with several other men of the same status.

His possessions were few and were often able to fit into a chest such as the one that we have created in miniature. These chests were derived from the old campaign chests and were often brass bound:

This piece of furniture had many uses. It could be used as a chest of drawers for storing clothing; as a desk by pulling out the shelf; as a shaving stand by placing a wash bowl and mirror on top.

Many versions of these versatile chests have survived, possibly due to their sturdy design and their usefulness.

Once the bachelor settled down at a permanent residence, a chest was used as a bedside table, a lamp stand, or for storage in almost any room.

## ASSEMBLY AND FINISHING INSTRUCTIONS



AUTHENTIC REPRODUCTIONS IN MINIATURE

The X-ACTO® House of Miniatures® Collectors
Series of furniture and accessories have all been carefully researched by specialists through major museum and library collections to assure the highest quality of authenticity in reproduction. Details are extraordinarily accurate to satisfy the most discriminating miniaturist.

All wood parts are machined to assure accurate and precise acceptance of each piece by another.

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THE HOUSE OF MINIATURES Customer Service - Catalog Dept. 80 Newbridge Road Bergenfield, NJ 07621

## INTRODUCTION =

## **BEFORE STARTING**

Identify and account for each part by placing it on the Layout Sheet (make sure the correct layout sheet is used when working on multi-kit Instruction Sheets). Should any parts be missing, send a post card to:

THE HOUSE OF MINIATURES Customer Service - Parts Dept. 2000 Craftmark Center Statesville, NC 28677-2000

Please print Name, Address, Part Number (Number from Layout Sheet) and Kit Name and Number on card when ordering.

## **SANDING**

Before assembly, sand all the outer surfaces of individual parts with 220 grit sandpaper, or finer, sanded in the same direction as the wood grain until the surface is smooth. Take care not to round any edges or corners of the pieces. Finish sanding with 280 grit sandpaper.

## PRE-ASSEMBLY

- A. After sanding, check the proper location and fit of each part by assembling parts loosely, without gluing. Use the DETAIL VIEWS as a guide.
- B. All parts for X-ACTO kits are made on precision milling machines. When adjustments are required, sand to fit.

## TOOLS AND MATERIALS

- A. The following tools will be helpful in constructing this  ${\bf kit}$ :
  - 1. Two inch Sander, X-ACTO No 7042
  - 2. Large Clamp, X-ACTO No. 4004
  - 3. Small Clamp, X-ACTO No. 4003
  - X-ACTO Professional Finishing Kit (or equivalent, see note)
- B. The following materials will be needed to construct this kit:
  - 1. X-ACTO Tinted Glue (see note)
  - 2. Waxed paper
  - 3. Sandpaper 220 and 280 grit
  - 4. Steel Wool Grade 0000
  - 5. White glue (or equivalent)
  - 6. Small Artist's Brush

NOTE: The X-ACTO tinted glue is matched to the finish used in the Professional Finishing Kit. This will produce the authentic finish of the period in which the original Furniture was produced. When not using X-ACTO glue follow manufacturer's directions.

## **GLUING**

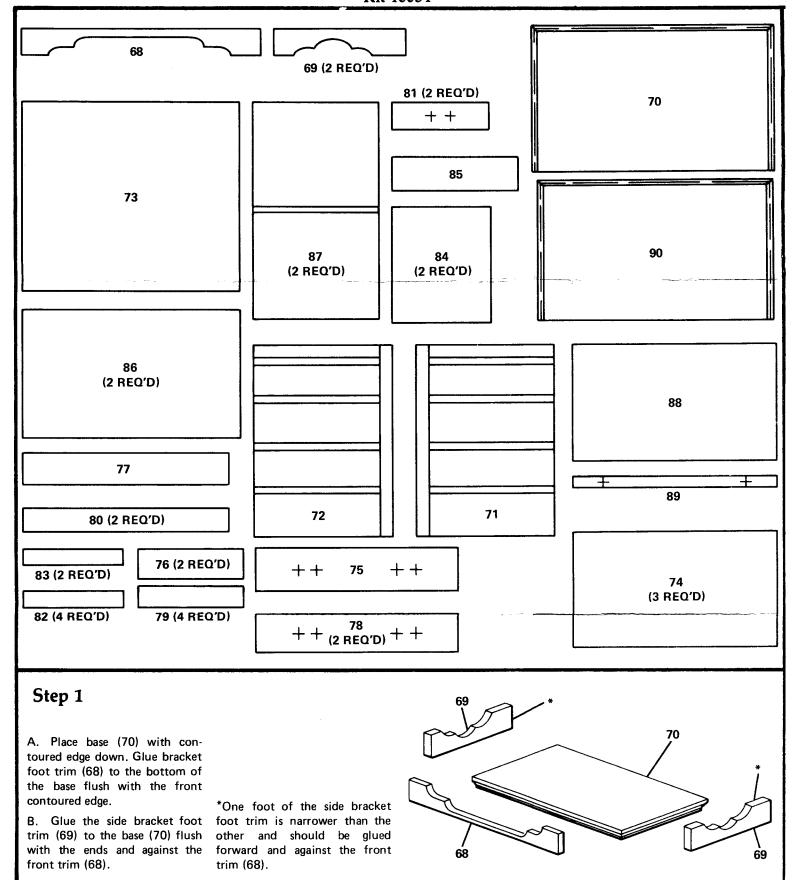
- A. Glue should be applied in small amounts to surface being joined. When gluing dado joints apply glue to dado only.
- B. To ensure a tight fit, squeeze excess glue out of the joints. Hold glued parts together with clamps, rubber bands or weights on the parts.
- C. Wipe off excess glue promptly.
- D. Be sure a glued assembly has dried thoroughly before adding parts.

## **FINISHING**

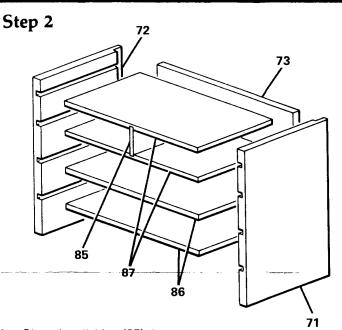
The X-ACTO Professional Finishing Kit enables you to finish your furniture by the same process used by the professional furniture maker. The end result is what is important — there are easier methods, but none that will give the quality results that this process will. If you use a finish other than X-ACTO's, refer to the manufacturer's directions.

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# Layout Sheet Kit 40054



## **Detail Views** Kit 40054



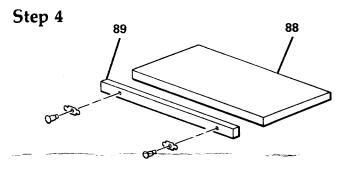
- A. Glue the divider (85) into the dadoes of the upper horizontal dividers (87).
- B. Now glue this set of dividers and lower dividers (86) into the dadoes of sides (71) and (72). The dividers should not extend

into the rabbets at the rear of the sides.

C. Glue back (73) to the dividers and sides.

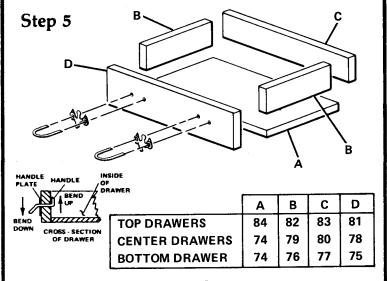


- Step 2 to the base assembly made in Step 1. Line up front back of assembly flush. edges and center on the base.
- A. Glue case assembly made in B. Glue on the top (90) lining up the front and sides. Sand
  - C. Apply Final Finish.



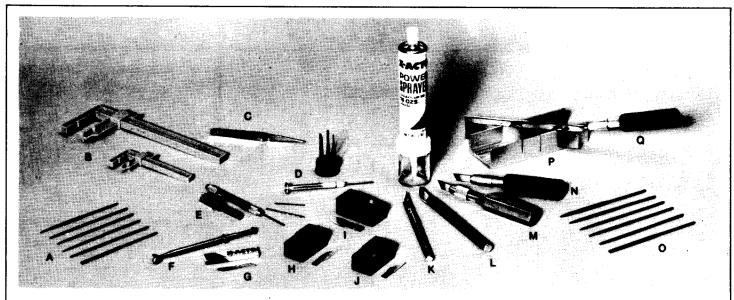
- A. Pre-drill holes for knobs in trim strip (89). Glue trim strip (89) to pull shelf (88).
- B. Apply Final Finish.
- Install knobs and escutcheon plates as shown.

HARDWARE CHECK LIST		
DESCRIPTION	VISUAL DESCRIPTION	QTY
HANDLE PLATE	\$\$ \$\$	8
HANDLE		8
ESCUTCHEON	0	2
KNOB		2



NOTE: There are three sizes of drawers in this unit. Assembly is the same for all. Consult chart for proper part numbers.

- A. Glue sides (B) to bottom (A) so that they are flush with the front and edges.
- B. Glue back (C) on top of bottom (A) and to sides (B).
- C. Pre-drill holes for hardware using marks on layout sheet as a quide. If entire drawer is to be stained, front (D) may be glued on at this time. If drawer interiors are not to be stained, finish drawer fronts before gluing them on.
- D. Apply Final Finish.
- E. Install plates and handles.



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A. MINIATURE FILE SET 6 miniature needle files. 3\%" long. For intricate filing. Vinyl storage pouch. No. 7365

Light duty plastic clamps for delicate work. Notched jaw allows grip of round parts. Smooth face prevents damage to workpiece. Small plastic clamp. 31/4" opening with 1" throat depth. 2 per card: No.7003 Large plastic clamp. 71/4" opening with 21/16" throat depth.

2 per card: No. 7004

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## K. No. 1 KNIFE

Aluminum handle 41/2" long with No. 11 blade. Carded: No. 3201

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Aluminum handle 5" long with No. 22 blade. Carded: No. 3202

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## **MINIATURIST'S TOOL SET**

Basic tools for assembling miniatures, models and working with small parts. 4 clamps, tweezer, pin vise with 3 bits, 2 sanders, screwdriver and No. 1 Knife in fitted tray. No. 43910





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