

HOW TO: POPSICLE STICK PICNIC TABLE

Materials needed: 12x popsicle sticks (4.5in), 7x small popsicle sticks (2.5in), hot glue gun

Step A - Table Top

1.



2a.



2b.



1. Line up 6 regular sized popsicle sticks.

2. Apply hot glue to **one of the smaller popsicle sticks** and place diagonally across the regular sticks, with one end of the small stick in the top left corner. Repeat with the second popsicle stick, placing diagonally with one end of the small stick in the bottom right corner. Attach a third smaller popsicle stick in between the other two. *****NOTE:** leave about 1/8 inch of space on the top left and bottom right corners. You will need this space later.

Set this piece aside for now.

Step B - Table Legs

3.



4a.



4b.



3. Apply a dot of hot glue to the center of a new popsicle stick.

4. Place a small popsicle stick on the larger one, using the hot glue dot, at a 45 degree angle. Place another dot of hot glue on the middle of the smaller stick, and place another small stick on top, to create a "X" across the longer stick. Repeat this to create a second piece.

Step C - Combining Table Top and Legs

5.



6.



7.



5. Now it's time to combine the pieces we've made so far. Bring back the **Table Top** and place two vertical strips of glue on the right corners. There will not be much space on the bottom right, which is why I mentioned in the first section to leave a small 1/8 inch gap in the corners.

6. Place the **Table Legs** on these strips of glue at a 90 degree angle.

7. Allow the glue on the Table Top and Legs to cool completely. Once cool, add a good bit extra glue on the inside, for extra stability. I only add glue on the inside because it will not be visible when done.

Allow all of this to cool for about 2 minutes, then turn the whole table right side up.

Step D - Bench

8a.



8b.



9.



8. Add two small strips of hot glue to the edge of the horizontal table leg piece. Place a regular sized popsicle stick across to touch each end of the horizontal table leg pieces.

9. Add another strip of hot glue to the horizontal leg pieces, just like before, then attach another regular size popsicle stick next to the first. This is to make the bench seat a bit wider.

Repeat for the other side of the table. Add extra glue to the finished table for durability.



Et voila! Dollhouse picnic table!

