

The Benefits of Building in Microfig Scale



- You don't need a huge collection of bricks or elements!
- Fewer bricks = lower cost.
- Minimal storage and display space required.
- Small scale building = less building time required (usually).

- Easy to transport.
- Returns builder and viewer to the essence of imagination.
- Allows you to produce a creation on the spot for family or friends.

- A great outlet for seemingly useless parts.
- Great for construction doodling.
Watch it on TV, build it afterwards.
- Fun eye candy. People seem to really like microfig because it's different.



White castle by Ashley Glennon.

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Microfig Building Applications

(More benefits, part one...Why try it?)

- A great complement to Miniland scale creations (or to make minifig giants).
- Dioramas can be constructed rather than mere components.
- Great for setting the location for a scene or for use as a LEGO® map.
- Great for contest entries and shows in which creations are displayed in eye level museum cases or glass enclosures.



All models this page by Ashley Glennon. Elves and roadster inspired by the LEGO® Company. Tiny city inspired by their book. Church inspired by Barbara Sprout.

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Microfig Building Applications

(More benefits, part two...Why try it?)

- Great for forced perspective or distance.
- Easy to duplicate an item to include as a fleet, a flock, convoy, army, etc.
- Great for mocking up a larger model in quarter scale, etc.



Microfig dumptruck



A covey of attack helicopters.



Red Mecha

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Summary

1. Microfig modeling is imaginative and fun, and accommodates builders at all skill levels regardless of the size of their brick collection.
2. The applications and benefits of building in microfig scale are many.
3. Small and unusual elements are ideal for use when building in microfig scale.
4. The popularity of microfig scale building is on the rise.



Tiny Torch Inn #1 and log cabin by Ashley Glennon.

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Essential Microfig Sites and Creations

Jeremy and Barbara Sproat: A little of everything. <http://www.io.com/~jsproat/>
Jeremy Sproat Bricksheff: <http://www.brickshelf.com/cgi-bin/gallery.cgi?f=3426>
Brian Muzas: Microthedral <http://www.brickshelf.com/cgi-bin/gallery.cgi?f=3331>
Shiri Dor: Chess set, tiny city. <http://www.brickshelf.com/cgi-bin/gallery.cgi?f=442>



Chris Maddison: tiny castle: <http://www.brickshelf.com/cgi-bin/gallery.cgi?f=33394>
Greg Majewski: Wipeout Model: <http://www.brickshelf.com/cgi-bin/gallery.cgi?f=8172>
Steve Batch: Microfig Star Wars items: <http://www.brickshelf.com/cgi-bin/gallery.cgi?f=8563>
Daniel Jassim: Many microfig spaceships: <http://www.brickshelf.com/cgi-bin/gallery.cgi?f=2932>
Cale Leiphart: Microfig semi truck: <http://www.brickshelf.com/cgi-bin/gallery.cgi?f=5573>
Mladen Plejic: Spacecraft and Mecha: <http://www.brickshelf.com/cgi-bin/gallery.cgi?f=5988>
Jason King: Micro Tie Fighter: <http://www.brickshelf.com/cgi-bin/gallery.cgi?f=6886>
Geordan Hankinson: Mini-Treefort/military diorama: <http://www.brickshelf.com/cgi-bin/gallery.cgi?f=6770> and <http://www.brickshelf.com/cgi-bin/gallery.cgi?f=6867>



David Perry: Spacecraft: <http://www.brickshelf.com/cgi-bin/gallery.cgi?f=3418>
Mark Sandlin: Microfig space carrier: <http://www.brickshelf.com/cgi-bin/gallery.cgi?f=1936>
Paul Hartzog: Micropolis: <http://www.brickshelf.com/cgi-bin/gallery.cgi?f=9508>
John Neal: 2 and 4 stud wide trains: <http://www.brickshelf.com/cgi-bin/gallery.cgi?f=m=J-2>

Don Bruce: City of Colditz: <http://www.brickshelf.com/cgi-bin/gallery.cgi?f=2037>
Shiri Dor: City of Hellfire: http://www.geocities.com/shiri_lego/Hellfire.html
Chris Tracey: Minifig train layout: <http://www.lugnet.com/town/~163/ideas/trainlayout/>
Brendan Powell Smith: Mini-skyline: <http://www.brickshelf.com/cgi-bin/gallery.cgi?f=4890>

This list is not exhaustive.

Police vehicle inspired by the LEGO® Company. Micro space ship by Ashley Glennon.

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Catalog of Items on Display

All items created by Ashley Glennon unless otherwise noted.

- Ninja temples: Version 1 (tan), 2 (blue), 3 (blue, nano).
- Dark entrance.
- Barnyard/Farm.
- White castle.
- Gray chateau castle.
- Monorail (see slide 7)
- Nanofig World Trade Center.
- Log Cabin.
- Tiny Torch Inn Part One (small). Part two (bigger and furnished).
- Micro mountain and space needle.
- Cruise ship.
- Battleship.
- Missile Cruiser.
- Blue trawler.
- Military tanker.
- The Enterprise (by Wayne Hussey).
- Two space ships (by Wayne Hussey).
- Small train (Dan Parker)
- Large train.
- Space Bots.
- Misc. vehicles.
- Gray bomber plane.
- Desert ruins and cacti.



Missile cruiser by Ashley Glennon.

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Building Exercise

(x-style fighters visit the star of death)

Group One

1. Build the item in your baggy by following the photo-instructions.
2. If parts are missing, please do your best to improvise.
3. Give your finished creation to a member of Group Two for placement on the base creation.

Group Two

1. Add additional detail to the base creation and adjust scale if needed by widening or changing depth of trench, etc.
2. Receive creations from Group One and place on the base.

Once complete, everyone should pose with the final creation for a photo. The photo(s) will be placed on the SEALUG website.
[Please do not take the creations with you.]

Original x-style fighter concept was created by Steve Batch.

The star of death trench was created by Dan Parker.

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