MERRELL () Your Favorite Fall Memory Diorama Contest **Diorama Box Construction Guidelines**

The Shoebox

Your diorama (http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Diorama) must be made inside a shoebox (a box in which normal shoes — not boots — are typically sold). The box should measure approximately 25cm x 35cm and be approximately 15cm high. You should remove the top of the box and one long side of the box and construct your diorama inside the area of the remaining box which will now have three sides and a bottom.



Box Assembly Guide

If you don't have a shoebox handy, you can cut a larger box down to size, or build your own box. To build your own box, all you need is some cardboard, scissors, a ruler, and a stapler.

The diagram to the right explains both the dimensions to which you should cut your cardboard and how to assemble the box. You can choose a different method of assembly but the box must be sturdy enough to hold the contents of the diorama and to be packaged for travelling.

Dimensions & Restrictions

If you build your own box, it must follow approximately these dimensions for eligibility: 15cm tall, 35cm wide, and 25cm deep.

If you have a pre-made box (shoebox, cut-down box), it may vary plus or minus in size to the required dimensions by no more than a few cm.



The items inside your diorama must not extend vertically more than 15cm out of the top of the box. This includes trees, towers, etc. This means that your diorama must be no taller than 30cm.



If assembling your own box according to the assembly diagram, it's important to make sure the staples have fastened the cardboard very tightly. The diagram to the left shows what's ok and what's not ok.





2.5cm x 10cm.

Be sure to staple each end to its respective board at least twice as seen on the diagram above.

All items used in the shoebox may originate in any medium provided the medium is safe for international transportation through the mails. Examples of restricted items include, but are not limited to: broken glass, illegal substances, explosives, perishable items such as foods and liquids; branded graphics, decals, or logos from companies other than Merrell. If your work is selected as a winner, everything within your diorama must be secured safely for shipping. DeviantART will not be reassembling your dioramas upon arrival.