

Location, BASES, AND BACKGROUNDS

Choose a highly visible spot in your room as a focal point where you will create your new LEMAX village arrangement. Think about places where it will be easiest to conceal wires, such as on a shelf or end table, in a bookcase, or close to a wall.

Backdrops will help your village stand out. Experiment with using fabric for backgrounds. White cloth draped over a table or base will give the illusion of snow on the ground. Bright, pale, or dark blue fabric hung behind the village can create a perfect daytime or nighttime sky. Add some tiny twinkle lights to simulate stars. Your wall color or natural room setting may already provide a nice contrast for your village as well.

Bases can create different levels for staging your village. One of the most popular materials to use for bases is Styrofoam, which can be easily shaved and shaped. Books, gift boxes, blocks, and betcks may also provide excellent flat bases that can be covered with cloth to provide additional height and depth for your village.

Arranging the display on the base. Place the largest buildings in your display first. Hide the wires and connections under a Styrofoam base or cloth drapes. Once those are in position, begin adding landscaping pieces, trees, accessories, smaller buildings, and figurines. Finally, add "snow" (finely shredded Styrofoam) under trees and around the houses and people.

Dim the lights in your room to enhance the effect. As your room lights dim, your LEMAX village will come to life with its own lights. Add to the mood by playing holiday music in the background.



Start WITH A CENTERPIECE

Begin your display with a favorite LEMAX building at the center. Place it in a visible location in your home where there is also enough space to build around it.



Add COORDINATING PIECES

Surround your LEMAX centerpiece with accessories such as trees and people. Add a small, related group of coordinated houses and buildings. Then place additional trees, lights, and villagers. You will be amazed as all the elements of the scene come together.



HOW TO Creatively DISPLAY YOUR

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Putting IT ALL TOGETHER

No matter where you display your LEMAX pieces, *be creative!* Play around with new backgrounds, levels, display areas in your home, accessories, and lighting. Try using crates, books, logs, cake stands, and other household items as bases and fun additions to your village.



These are just a few suggestions to help get your creative juices flowing.

Your family and friends will enjoy your display even more because they'll know that you did the planning and designing yourself!

Let your creativity shine through!

The fun of displaying LEMAX collectibles is being able to *express your own taste*. It's easy, and as you add pieces to your display you begin to create a true village atmosphere.

There are *endless possibilities* for displaying your collection in your home. Here are popular locations:

- Cabinet or bookcase
- Bay or bow window
- Dining room table
- End table or hall table
- Mantel
- Shadowbox or shelf
- Under a Christmas tree

With LEMAX you can *perfectly coordinate* colors and architectural styles, blending them into the holiday setting you desire.

