

# STYLE GUIDE

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The Modern Christmas Tree inside the iconic Farnsworth House, Plano, Illinois.



# THE BEST PLACES FOR YOUR TREE



Where is the best place to display your Modern Christmas Tree®?

Well to begin with, it depends on the tree you purchased. Although its up to you, here is what we have learned from talking with hundreds of tree owners around the world.

If you purchased the classic tree, its best to display it near an east or west facing window. As the sun rises and sets, you will see crystal reflections dance onto all nearby surfaces. Displaying the tree near a window will also ensure that it will be admired by your neighbors and those passing by.

*“The Modern Christmas Tree® is bound to be a new holiday tradition for families far and wide!” – Barbara Corcoran*

Our wall tree is a gorgeous option for those living in smaller spaces. If you purchased the wall tree, you may also have another holiday tree. If this is the case, consider displaying the tree in an entryway greeting your family and guests. Many customers agree the tree is designed well for a dining room where it can be appreciated by all as they enjoy your holiday meals.

Many of our customers have found the table top Jubilee tree is a lovely centerpiece to their holiday table. Others enjoy the tree as a table lamp or nightlight. Our youngest customers dream of the magic of the holidays with the tabletop tree next to their bed.

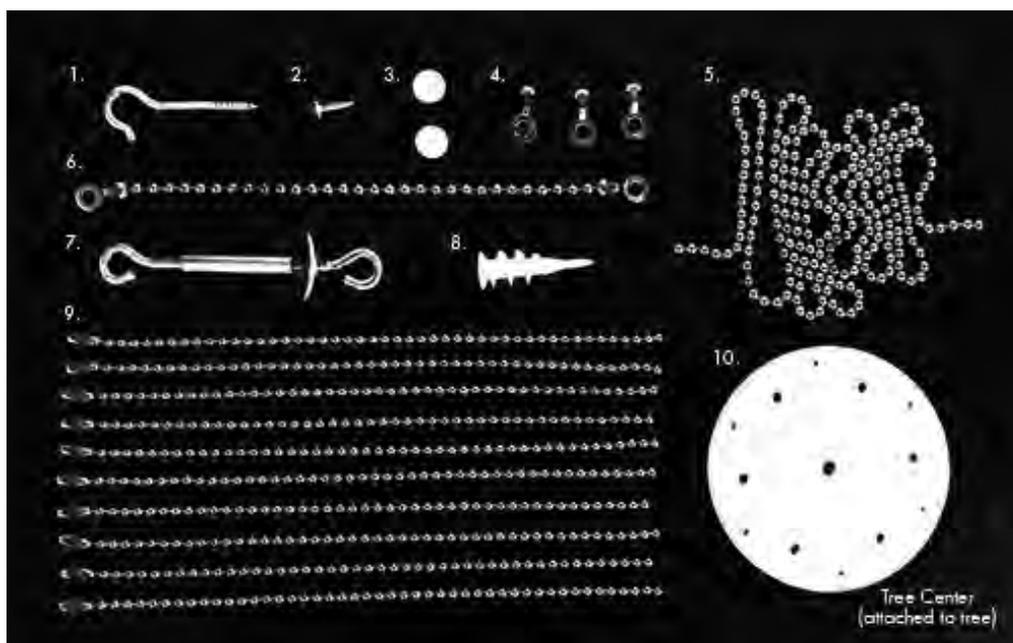


Barbara Corcoran on the set of Shark Tank.

# LARGE & XL TREE

## SET UP INSTRUCTIONS

**NOTE:** During shipping the Tree chains can disconnect or occasionally break. Simply reconnect or replace chain with provided spares (9.) pictured below.



### CEILING MOUNTED TREE ASSEMBLY

**Step 1.** Remove protective plastic wrap from the top and bottom of each tree ring. *For "Pearl" white trees skip this step.*

**Step 2.** Screw drywall anchor (8.) into ceiling centered above tree location. The anchor supports up to 40lbs while the tree only weights 15lbs fully decorated.

**Step 3.** Screw tree hook (1.) into drywall anchor.

**Step 4.** Attach coupler (4.) to one end of the longer thick ball chain (5.)

**Step 5.** Attach chain to the ceiling hook and cut excess to the desired length. Desired length should place the bottom tree ring about 1 foot from the floor. *See Appendix for Standing Tree Sputnik instructions or next page for Ceiling Mounted Tree Sputnik instructions.*

**Step 6.** Once chain (5.) is cut to desired length, attach the second coupler (4.) to the end of the ceiling chain.

**Step 7.** Unscrew the tree bolt (7.) and re-screw through the tree center (10.) center hole to form the hanging assembly. *See next page for visual.*

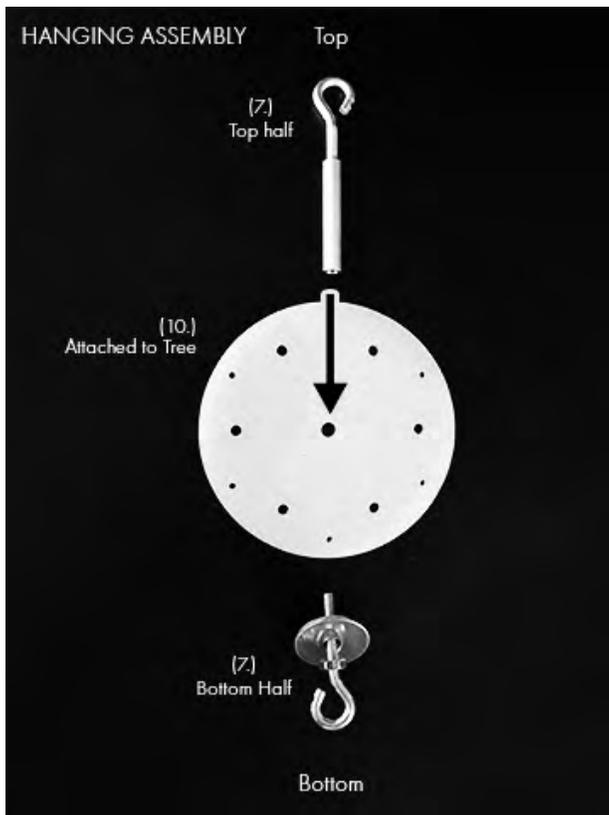
**Step 8.** Attach top of hanging assembly to ceiling chain.

**Step 9.** Attach shorter thick ball chain (6.) to bottom hook of the Hanging Assembly. *See next page for visual.*

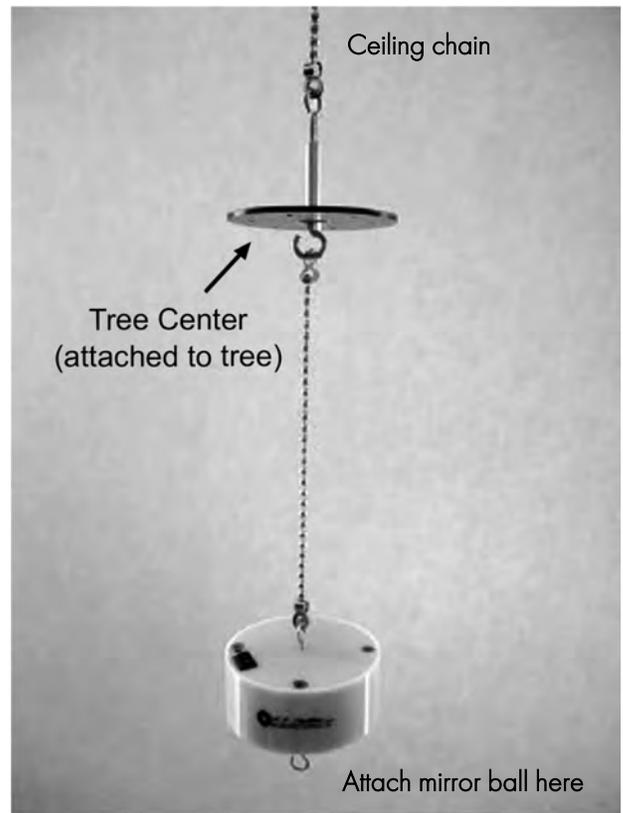
**Step 10.** Hook the top of the mirror ball rotator to the bottom chain (6.) attached to the hanging assembly. *See next page for visual.*

**Step 11.** Attach the mirror ball to the mirror ball rotating device underneath the tree.

## Step 7



## Steps 8, 9,10



## Steps 8, 9,10 (with Sputnik\*)



If you purchased an undecorated tree, the mirror ball with rotator can be purchased separately. The Tree Stand and Sputnik Topper can be purchased separately on our website as well.

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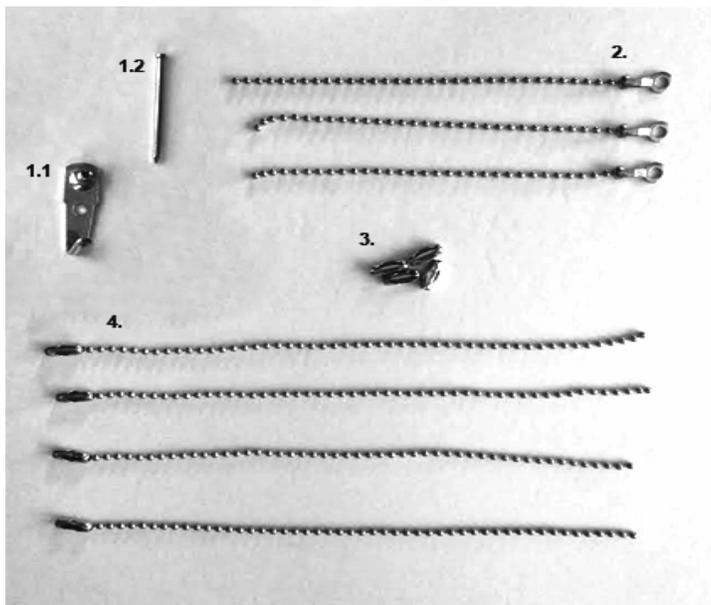
For Additional Help  
e-mail: [care@modernchristmastrees.com](mailto:care@modernchristmastrees.com)  
call: (720) 638-9511

\*Thread ceiling chain through hole in Sputnik center.  
For trees w/stand, see appendix (pg 21).



# WALL TREE

## SET UP INSTRUCTIONS



(fig.1)

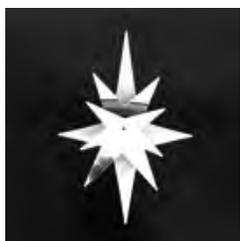


(fig.2)

\*AA battery not included for motor (6.)

\*\* It's not uncommon for chains to disconnect during shipping.

Extra chains and connectors are provided for this reason (2., 3., 4. in fig.1)



### WALL TREE TOPPER ASSEMBLY

You can pick from the mirror or white star pieces or a combo of both. Match up desired 3 pieces, align center holes, and nail (1.2) into the wall 6.5 feet from floor. Then follow instructions below.

- 1 Attach metal tree ring (5.) to tree topper nail in wall.
- 2 Place motor (6.) on top of second acrylic tree ring. See fig.2
- 3 Attach mirror ball to the motor's bottom hook so the ball hangs directly above the spotlight.

4

Now it's time to decorate the tree. Using the provided white gloves hang alternating crystals and ornaments on each ring.

5

Place spotlight on the floor in center of tree pointing directly up. Turn both the spotlight and motor on, dim room lights, and enjoy the show.

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For troubleshooting set up, please see page 11.

If you purchased an undecorated tree, the mirror ball with rotator can be purchased separately.

All of us at Modern Christmas Trees want you to have the best experience with your new tree. If you have any questions or concerns please email:

[care@modernchristmastrees.com](mailto:care@modernchristmastrees.com)

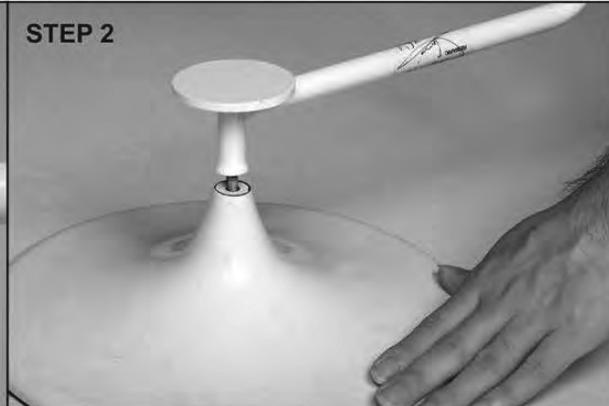


# JUBILEE

## SET UP INSTRUCTIONS



1	Base  1PC	2	Frame  1PC	3	Light Base  1PC	4	Acrylic Rings  1PC
5	Toppers  3PCS	6	Ornaments  144PCS	7	Led Light & Remote  1PC	8	Crystal Ornament  36PCS



## JUBILEE SET UP INSTRUCTIONS (continued)

# JUBILEE LED



1. All accessories



2. Open the batteries cover



3. Put batteries in place



4. Switch to Cont (middle)



5. Press any key, within 10 sec, to pair up



6. Close cover

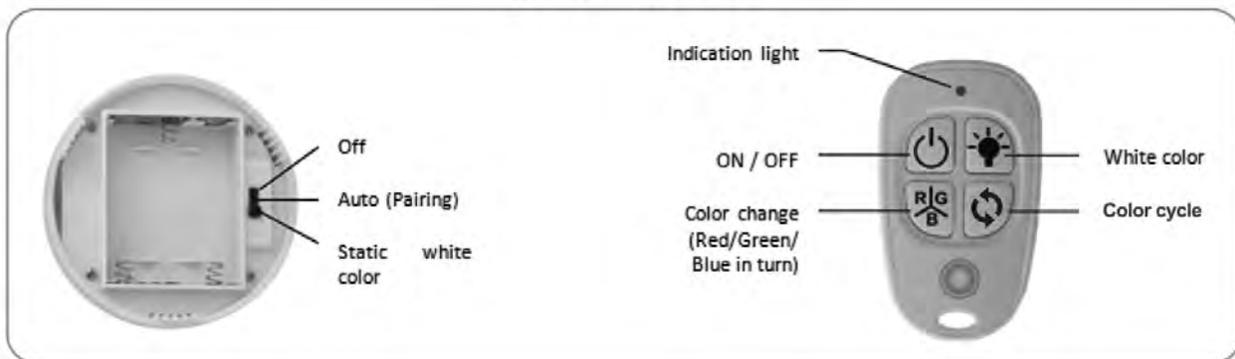


7. It's ready!



8. Available for wall plug too

## KEY FUNCTIONS



Remote Battery is a C2032

## LED RECHARGEABLE BATTERIES (included)

- The **rechargeable** batteries need to be inside the LED even when you are running it off the the cord/outlet (the batteries complete the circuit). The batteries will also be charging when its on and being used with the cord/outlet.
- The **rechargeable** batteries may need to be charged for up to 2 hours prior to use without the cord/outlet. A two hour charge should provide you around 6 hours of wireless use.



The Jubilee Tree available at [www.ModernChristmasTree.com/shop](http://www.ModernChristmasTree.com/shop)

# TROUBLE SHOOTING SET UP

What to do if the bulb burns out. What kind of replacement bulb is required?

The Modern Christmas Tree™ uses advanced LED bulbs.

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What if the motor stops turning? What could be the cause and how do you fix that?

First check the AA batteries and replace if necessary. If this doesn't fix the issue please email us for a replacement at [matt@modernchristmastrees.com](mailto:matt@modernchristmastrees.com). (The motor has a 1 year warranty)

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What to do if a chain or connector break:

Additional chains and connectors are provided. Simply replace the broken pieces with the corresponding parts.

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Now enjoy the tree with your family and friends!



# COOKIES & COCKTAILS

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Few things pair better with setting up a Christmas tree than some cookies and a cocktail. Whether the mood is right or just about right, the following recipes are sure to delight and enhance your Holiday experience.

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## SANTA'S FAVORITE COOKIES

(Makes about 3 dozen)

### INGREDIENTS:

1 3/4 cups of all-purpose flour  
1/2 cup of whole wheat flour  
1/2 tsp baking soda  
1/2 tsp cream of tartar  
1/2 tsp salt  
1 stick of unsalted butter, softened  
1/2 cup granulated sugar  
1/2 cup confectioner's sugar  
1/2 cup vegetable oil  
1 large egg  
1/ tsp almond extract  
1 cup almonds  
3 oz (or 1/2 cup) English toffee bits  
1/4 cup colored sugar sprinkles

### INSTRUCTIONS:

Set racks in the middle of the oven and preheat to 350 F. Line two baking sheets with parchment paper.

Combine all-purpose flour, whole wheat flour, baking soda, cream of tartar and salt in a medium bowl, whisk together well.

In a large bowl, using a mixer, cream the butter granulated sugar and powdered sugar until well mixed. Add almond extract, oil and eggs and mix well again. Slowly add the dry ingredients and mix to combine.

Chop the almonds and stir in along with the toffee bits.

Shape dough into 1 inch balls and roll in colored sugar sprinkles. Place them 1 1/2 inches apart on cookie sheet and flatten with a fork. Bake for 6 minutes and rotate sheet. Bake for another 6-8 minutes, cookies will not brown. Take out of oven and cool on wire rack. Store in an airtight container or freeze for up to 1 month.

## COOKIES & COCKTAILS (continued)

### MISTLETOE COCKTAIL

#### INGREDIENTS:

½ tsp lime juice  
½ tsp honey  
3 mint leaves  
1 oz vodka or seltzer water  
Ginger beer  
5 cranberries  
1 sprig of rosemary  
White sugar for garnish

#### TO MAKE:

Cut one wedge out of the lime, rim an 8 oz glass with it and then dip the rim of the glass in a dish of sugar.

Muddle the lime juice, honey and mint leaves in your glass. Fill with crushed ice, add the vodka or 1 oz of seltzer water and fill the remainder of the glass with ginger beer. Garnish your glass with festive rosemary and cranberries and enjoy!



### CANDY CANE COCKTAIL

#### INGREDIENTS:

##### **Homemade candy cane vodka**

1 cup vodka  
½ cup of vanilla vodka  
12 x 3" candy canes or 6 x 6" candy canes with red stripes

##### **Cocktail**

3 oz candy cane vodka  
2 oz crème de Cacao, clear  
2 x 3" or 6" candy canes

#### TO MAKE:

Break up your candy canes and put into a lidded glass jar. Pour the vanilla and regular vodka over the candy canes. Allow the mixture to sit for 3-4 days, shaking the jar daily. Before using, strain through cheesecloth to remove any undissolved bits. Store in the jar in a cool, dark location.

For two cocktails, place 2 candy canes into a blender and puree until the canes turn into a fine powder. Rim your martini glasses with the sugar. Measure the candy cane vodka, crème de Cacao and ice into a cocktail shaker, shake well and strain into two glasses.



### THE NORTH POLE

#### INGREDIENTS:

4 ounces vodka  
2 ounces Kahlúa or more to taste  
4 tablespoons chocolate syrup  
1 teaspoon vanilla extract  
3 teaspoons molasses  
1/8 teaspoon ginger  
1/2 cup heavy cream or whole milk  
Whipped cream candy canes and  
gingerbread cookies, for serving  
(optional)

#### TO MAKE:

In a cocktail shaker combine the vodka, Kahlúa, chocolate syrup, vanilla, molasses, and ginger. Shake until well combined. Add ice and shake again. Strain into 4 glasses. Top off each glass with heavy cream. Dollop with whipped cream and garnish as desired.

# GAMES

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## White Elephant

Guaranteed laughter with this hilarious gift exchange! This game is based on the classic Secret Santa, but named for the Legend of white elephants spitefully gifted by the King of Siam to anyone who tried to cross him. As the tale goes, these beasts were beautiful, but not very useful and required tremendous upkeep. In the White Elephant gift exchange, the more ridiculous the better.

White Elephant is similar to any other anonymous gift exchange, however you're allowed to steal gifts that have been opened before you.

Here's how it's played:

1

When inviting guests, request they bring an anonymous, wrapped gift. Include a spending limit and any theme so your guests bring something appropriate.

2

Collect the gifts as the guests arrive. Have each guest randomly draw a number from a hat to determine the gift selection order.

3

Gather your guests together for the exchange. Guest who drew #1 selects a gift and holds it up for all to see.

4

All subsequent guests have the option to either select a wrapped gift, or to steal any gift already opened. If someone's gift is stolen, they immediately select and open a wrapped gift.

5

When there are no more unwrapped gifts, the person who drew #1 gets one last option to steal a gift. At this point, there are no more wrapped gifts so the 'steal' becomes a swap-if you take someone's gift you give them yours. If they decide not to steal a gift, keeping the one they have, the game is over. If they do steal a gift, the game continues until someone decides to keep their gift, rather than steal.

If you want to take this activity up a notch in comedy, appoint your funniest guest as commentator!



The Modern Christmas Half Tree, available @ [ModernChristmasTrees.com](http://ModernChristmasTrees.com)



## Mod Libs

The classic game of Mad Libs. Make sure to use a pencil so you can erase and use over and over!

### The Night Before Christmas

T'was the night before \_\_\_\_\_ and all through the \_\_\_\_\_,  
(holiday) (place)  
 not a(n) \_\_\_\_\_ was \_\_\_\_\_ not even a mouse. The  
(noun) (verbing)  
 \_\_\_\_\_ were hung by the \_\_\_\_\_ with care, in the hopes that  
(plural noun) (noun)  
 \_\_\_\_\_ soon would be there. The [plural noun] were nestled all  
(famous person)  
 snug in their \_\_\_\_\_ while visions of \_\_\_\_\_ danced in  
(plural noun) (plural noun)  
 their heads.



### Rudolph the Red Nosed Reindeer

Rudolph the \_\_\_\_\_ nosed reindeer, had a very \_\_\_\_\_ nose.  
(adjective) (adjective)  
 And if you ever saw it, you would even say it glows. All of the other  
 reindeer, used to laugh and call him \_\_\_\_\_, they never let poor  
(funny name)  
 Rudolph join in any reindeer games. Then one \_\_\_\_\_ Christmas Eve,  
(adjective)  
 Santa came to say, "Rudolph with your \_\_\_\_\_ so \_\_\_\_\_,  
(body part) (adjective)  
 won't you guide my \_\_\_\_\_ tonight?"  
(noun)

## GAMES (continued)

### Frosty the Snowman

Frosty the snowman was a jolly \_\_\_\_\_ soul. With a \_\_\_\_\_  
(adjective) (noun)  
pipe and a button nose and two eyes made out of \_\_\_\_\_. Frosty the  
(plural noun)  
snowman is a fairytale they say, he was made of \_\_\_\_\_ but the  
(noun)  
children know how he came to life one day. There must have been some  
magic in that old \_\_\_\_\_ they found, for when they placed it on his  
(noun)  
\_\_\_\_\_ he began to dance around.  
(body part)

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### Holiday Pictionary

This game is fun for any sized group and age ranges. And all you need is a large pad of paper or dry erase board and a marker!

Here's how it's played:

1

Before your guests arrive, write 20-30 holiday related words, songs, etc. on individual pieces of paper, fold them up and put them into a hat or bowl.

2

Split your people into two teams and select one team to go first, then select one person from this team to draw clues.

3

The drawer randomly selects one of the holiday related words and has one minute to draw clues for their team to guess it.

4

If their team does not guess the word correctly in one minute the other team has a chance to guess for the win!

Competitive groups will keep score, 25 points for each word correctly named. Play to 150 points.

# THE JOY OF PUTTING YOUR TREE AWAY

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The joy in putting away the tree after the holidays is this... "You don't have too!" As a design element, the tree can be displayed permanently. Many tree owners choose to leave it up year round changing out the ornaments to reflect holidays throughout the year. The tree is the perfect way to make any holiday special and memorable.

If you choose to take your tree down, here is the great thing, its so easy! To begin with, all ornaments need to be removed prior to collapsing your tree and placed in their appropriate storage containers. That goes for the hooks as well.

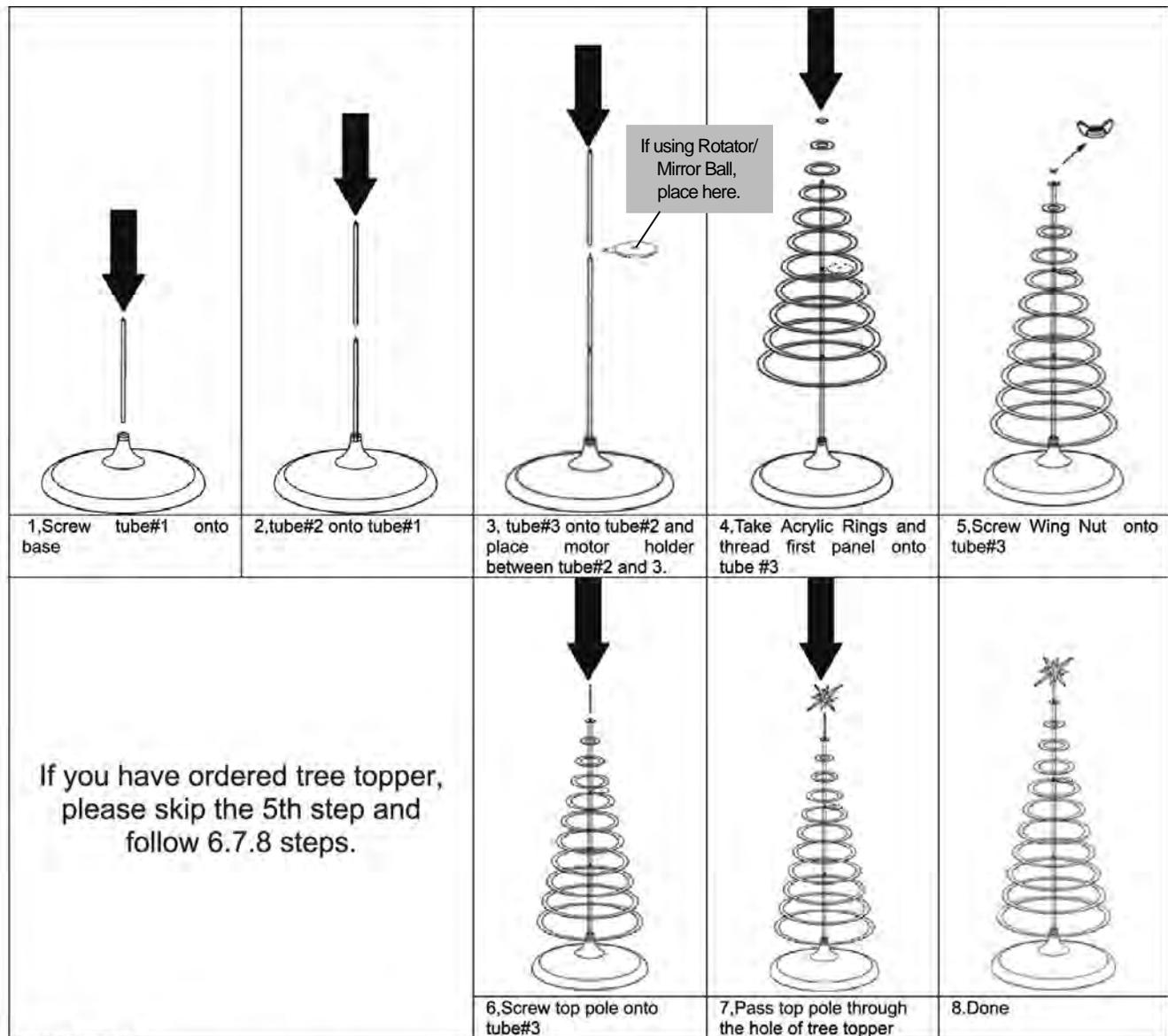
**TIP:**

*Although the tree can be stored vertically in its zipper case, the trees stores better horizontally. Many tree owners simply slide the tree underneath their bed for safe keeping until the next holiday season.*





# APPENDIX



## PARTS LIST

Base	Acrylic Rings	Tube	Wing Nut	Top pole	Tree topper
1PC	Optional	3PCS	1PC	1PC	Optional

# COLORING PAGES

The following coloring pages are designed to keep your little ones occupied and in the holiday spirit.

Please share their artwork with us! Send to: [matt@modernchristmastrees.com](mailto:matt@modernchristmastrees.com)















