Taj Mahal

AGRA, INDIA

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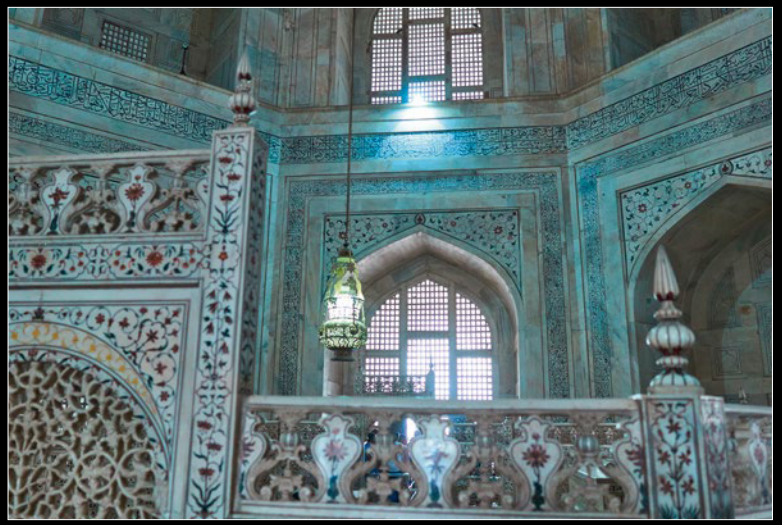
Taj Mahal – The History

Located on the southern bank of the river Yamuna in the Indian city of Agra, the Taj Mahal is one of the great monuments of the world and a symbol of eternal love. The iconic ivory-white marble mausoleum is finally recreated here in LEGO® Architecture scale.

The Taj Mahal was commissioned in 1632 by the grief-stricken Mughal emperor Shah Jahan (1592–1666) to house the tomb of his beloved third wife, Mumtaz Mahal (1593–1631). Over 20,000 laborers and 1,000 elephants were involved in the ambitious construction, which took 22 years to complete at an estimated cost of 32 million Indian rupees (the equivalent of over US $1 billion at the time).



Chamber of Mughal emperor Shah Jahan and Mumtaz Mahal

Rok Zgalin Kobe, Senior Designer at the LEGO Group.

The Design Team

As both a trained architect and a LEGO® designer, Rok Zgalin Kobe has always been fascinated by the Taj Mahal and his goal was to recreate the details of this intricate monument. "The story of the Taj Mahal is hopefully mirrored here in LEGO bricks: you lift the roof with the onion dome and chattris, the four domed, columned kiosks, to expose the vaulted ceiling of the central chamber. Hidden beneath the removable central chamber is the crypt holding the tombs with the bodies of Mumtaz Mahal and Shah Jahan."

A golden LEGO® ski pole represents the ornament at the apex of the dome of the Taj Mahal.

The four slender minarets are divided into three parts by balconies created from LEGO gear elements.

The decorative spires that extend from the edges of the base walls are created using white LEGO ski poles.

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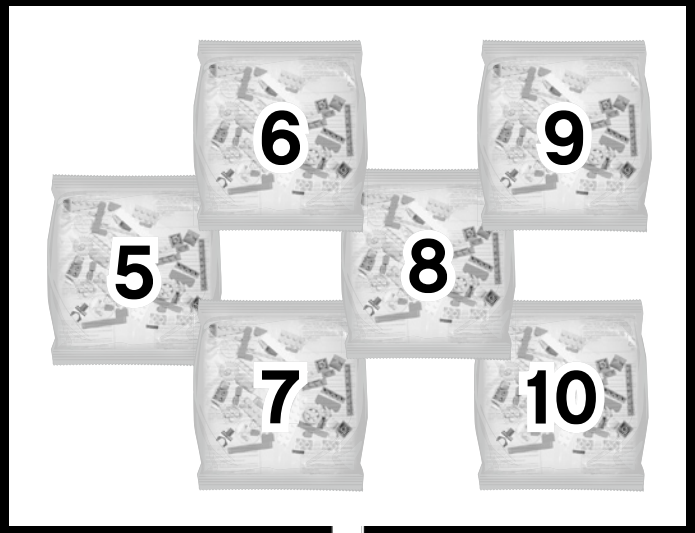
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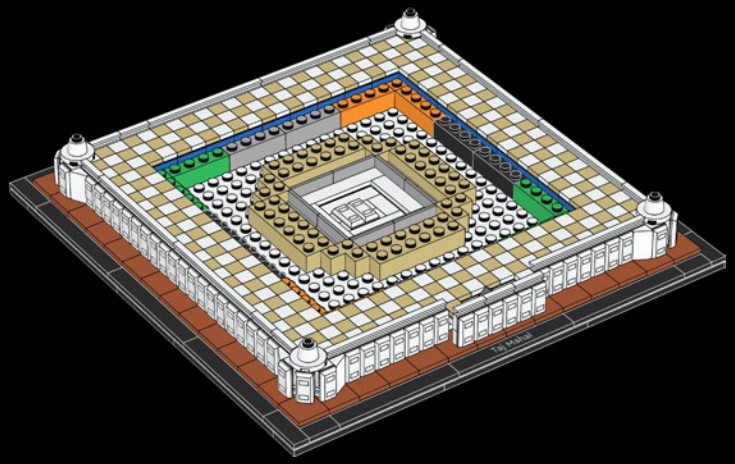

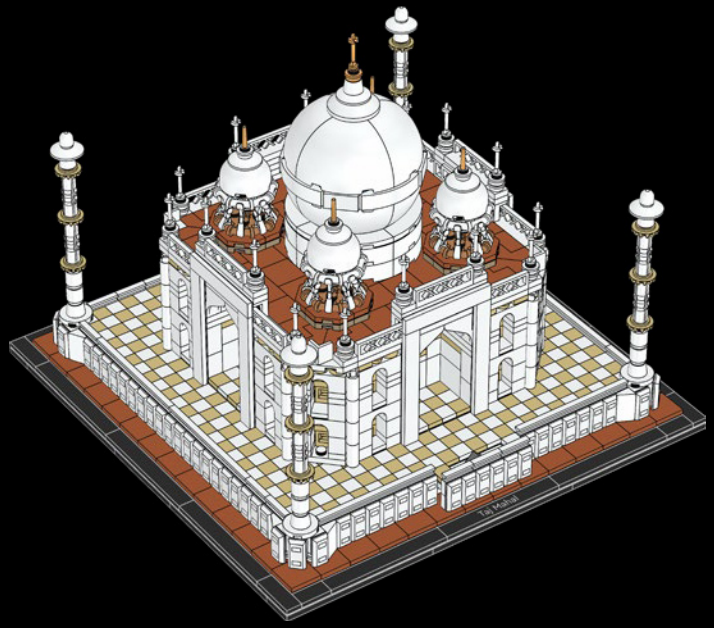

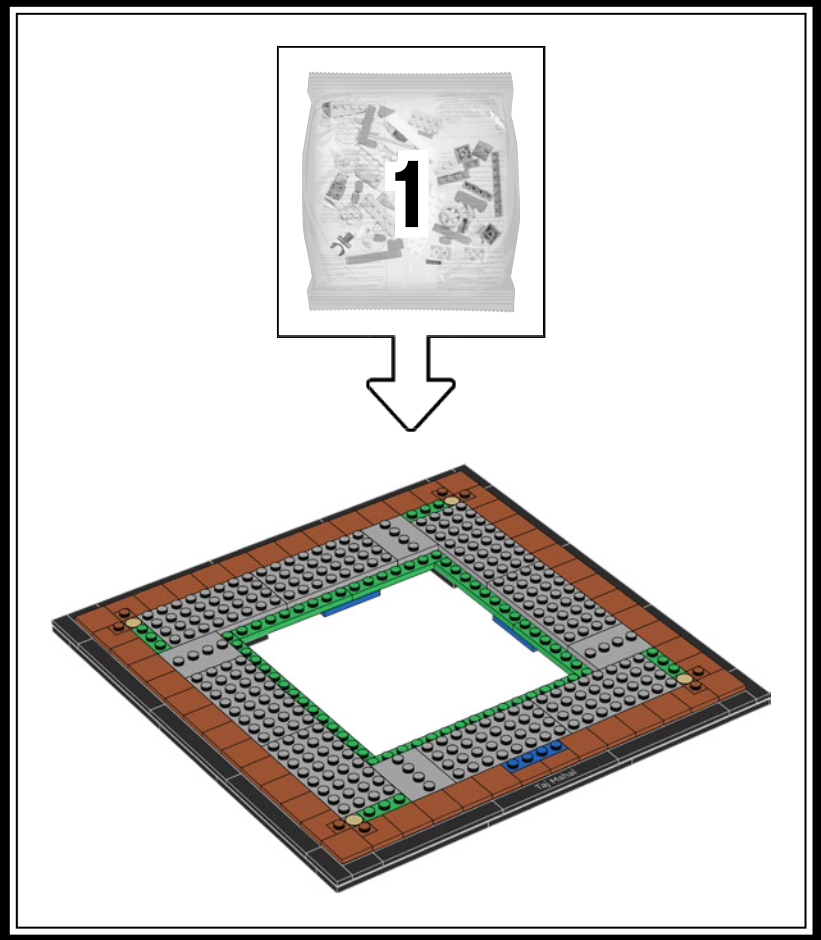

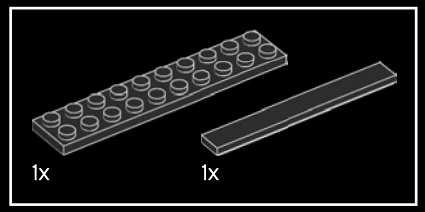

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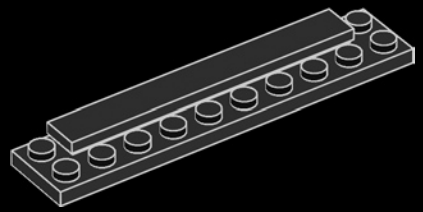

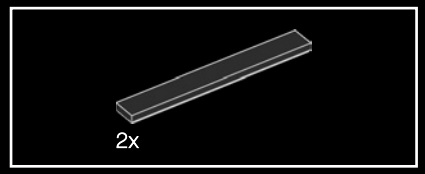

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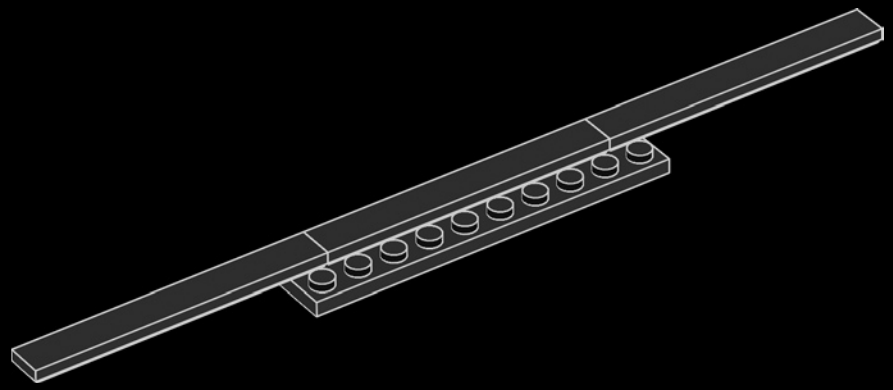

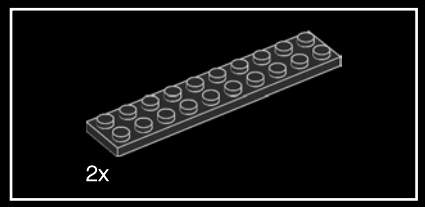

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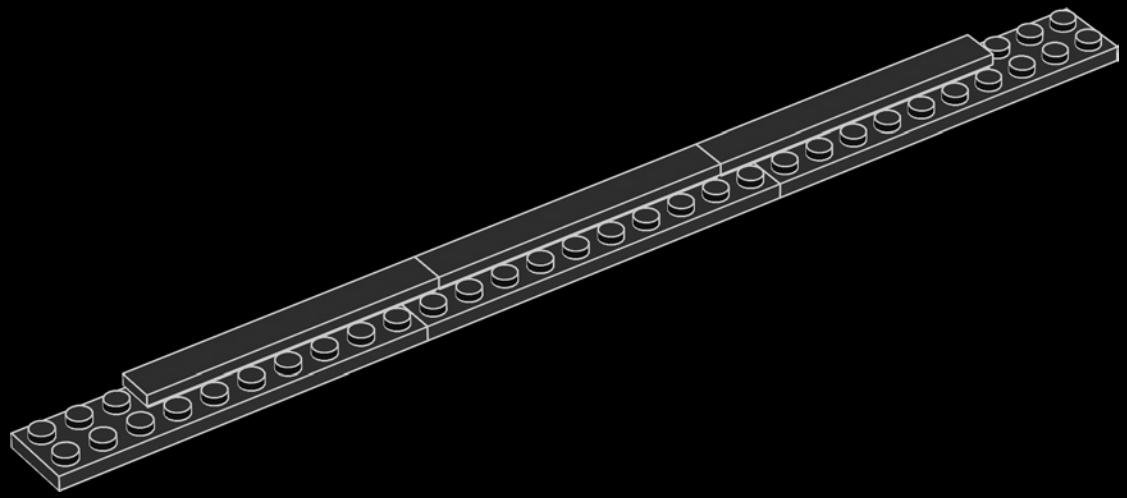

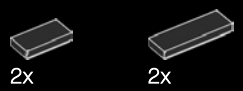

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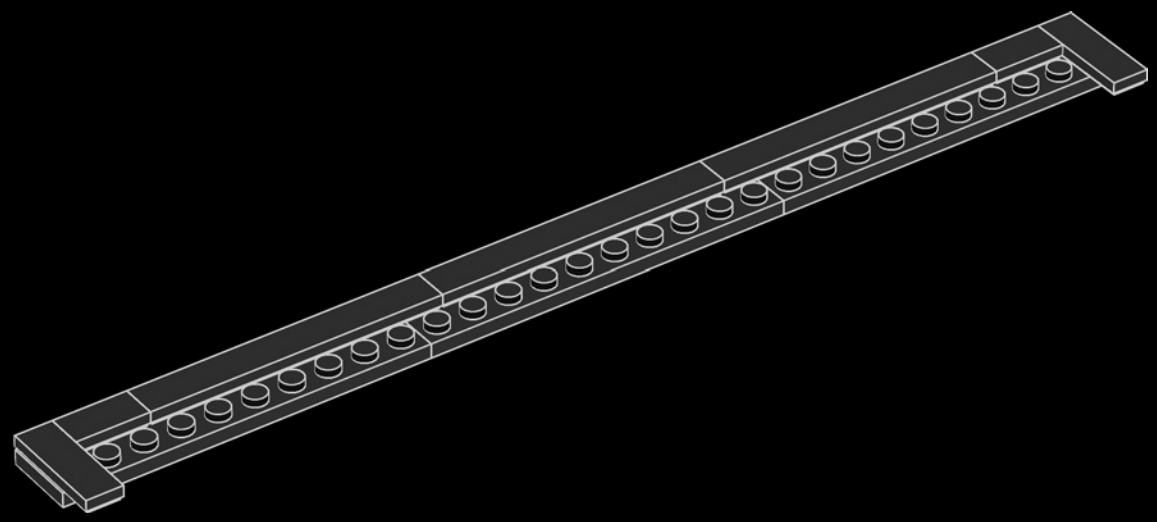

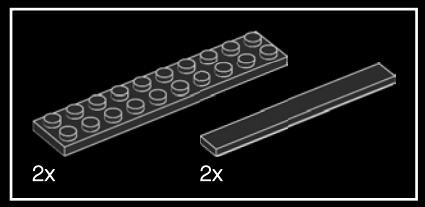

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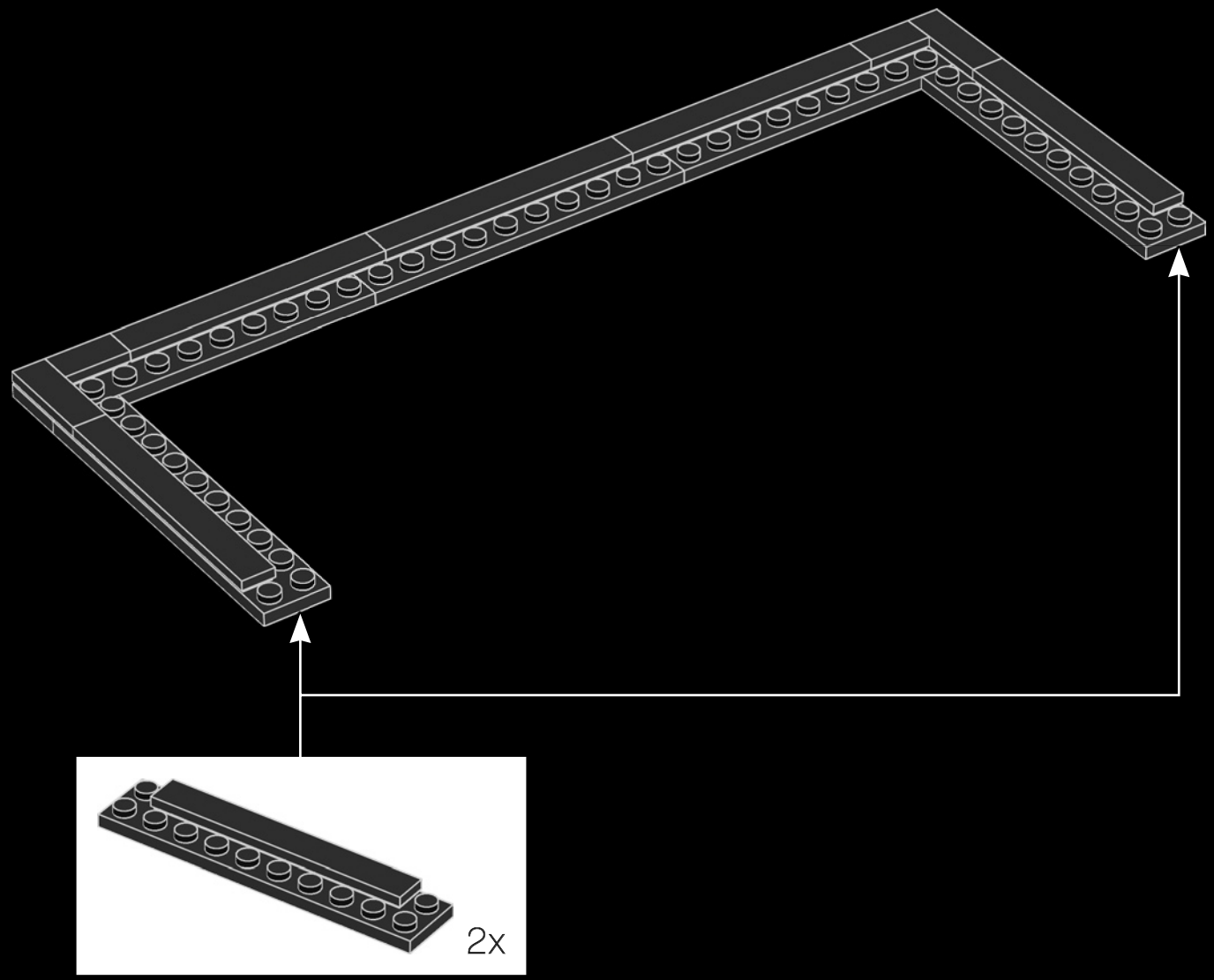

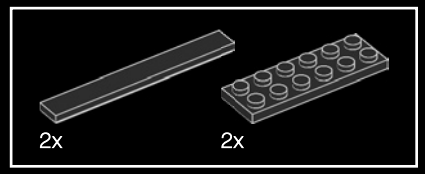

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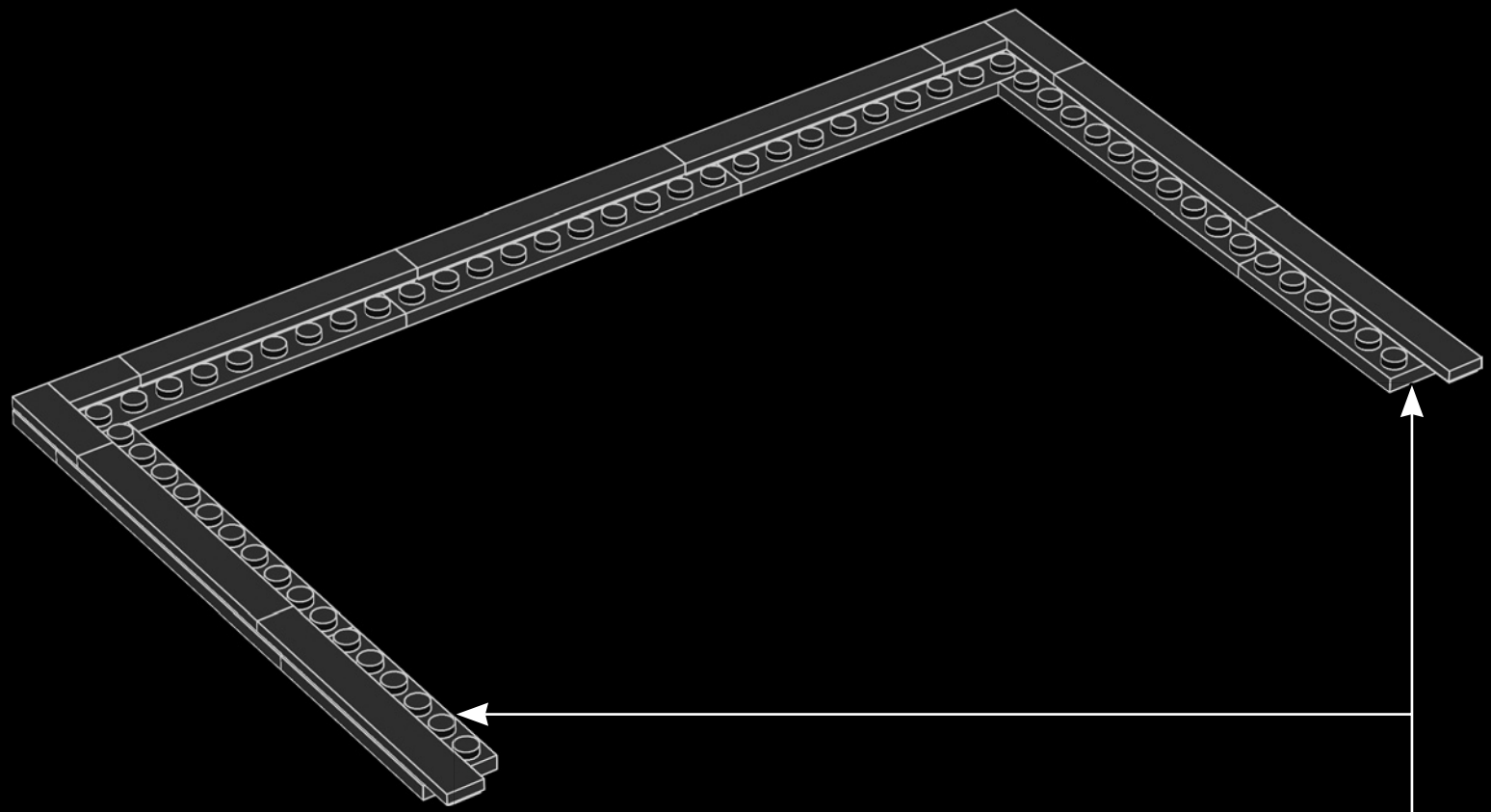

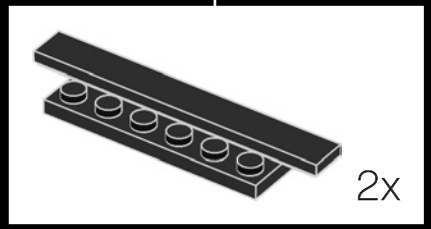

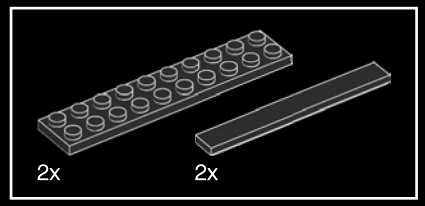

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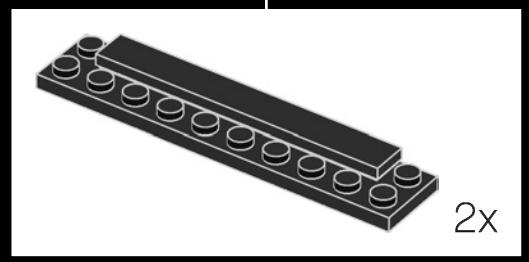

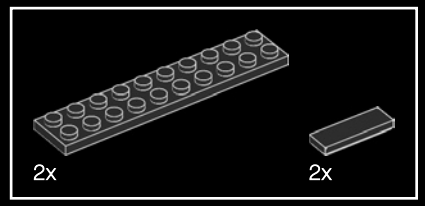

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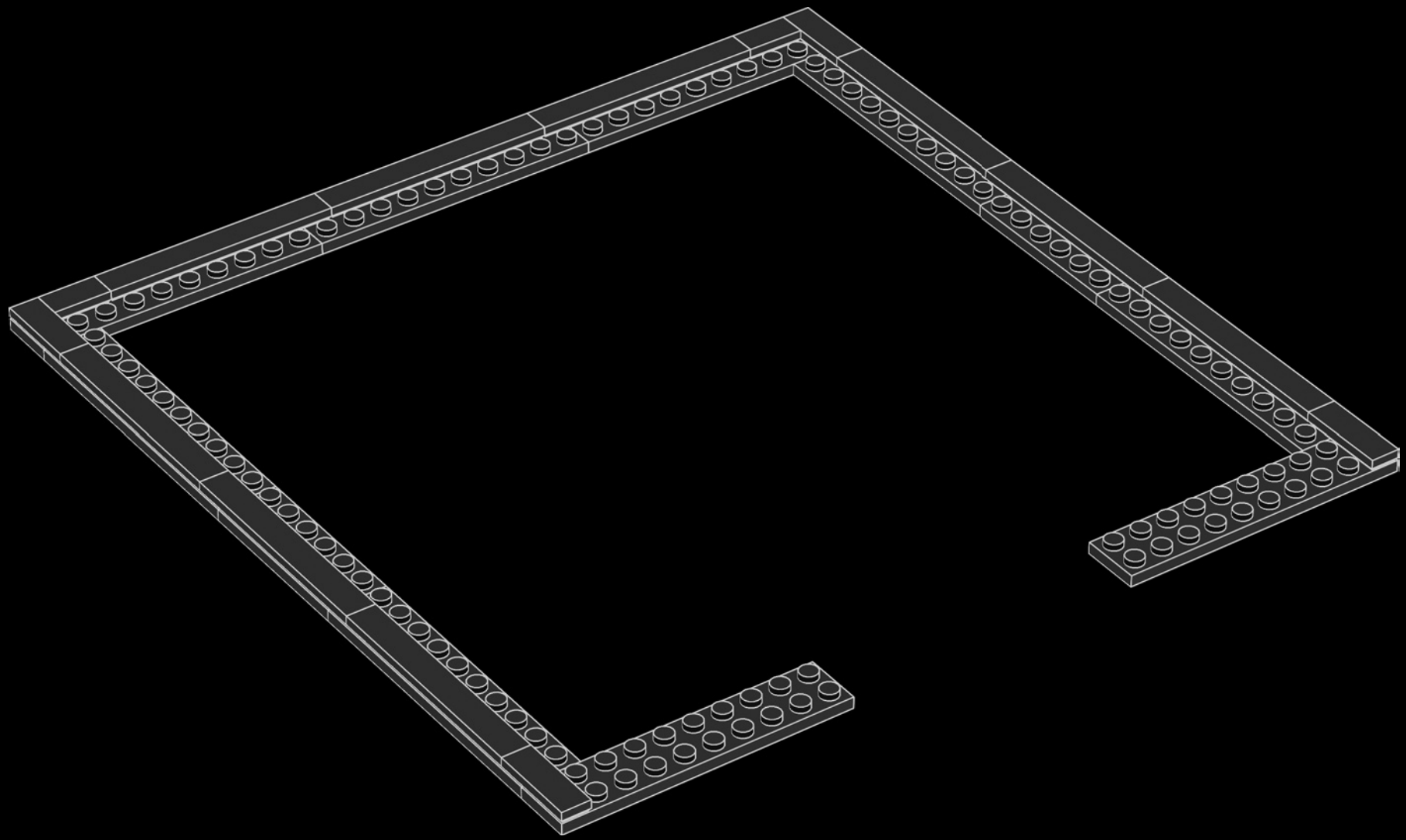

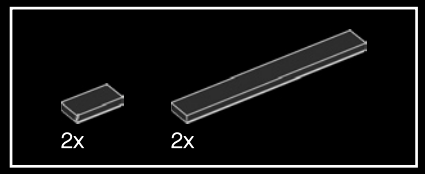

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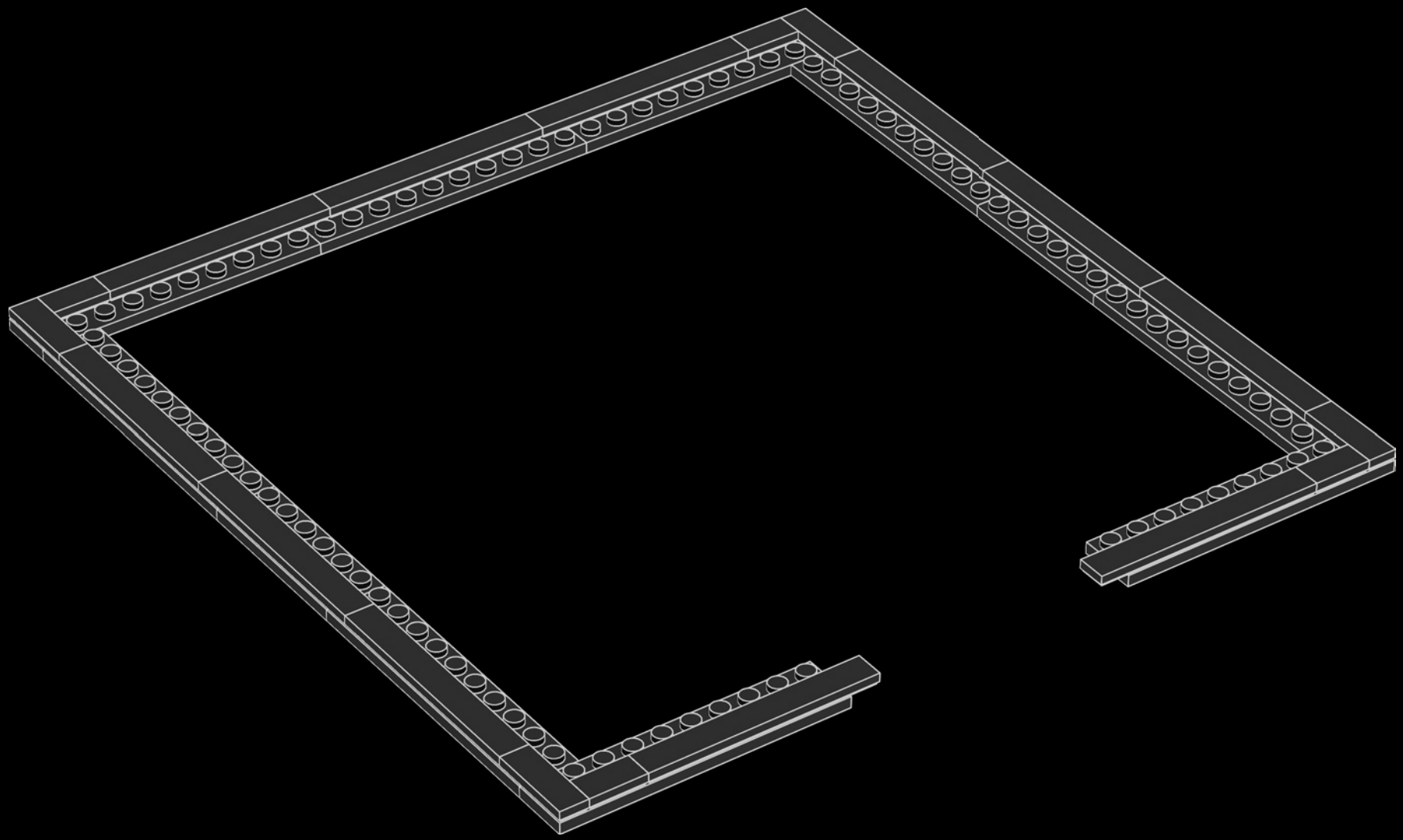

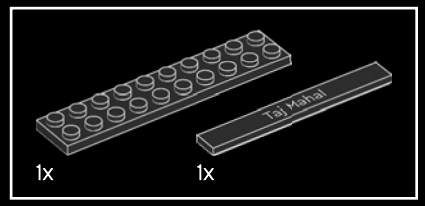

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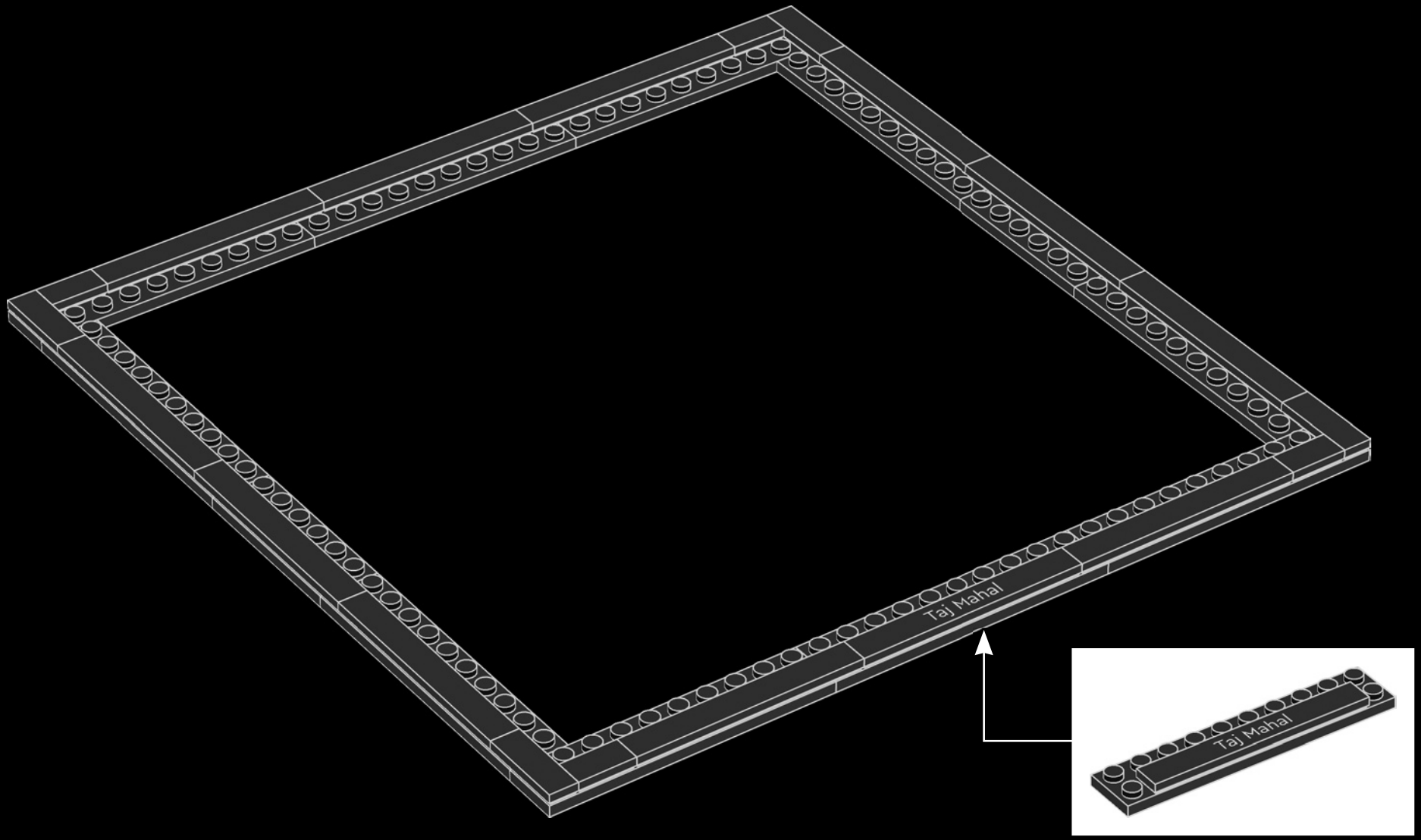

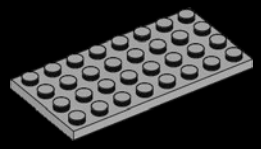

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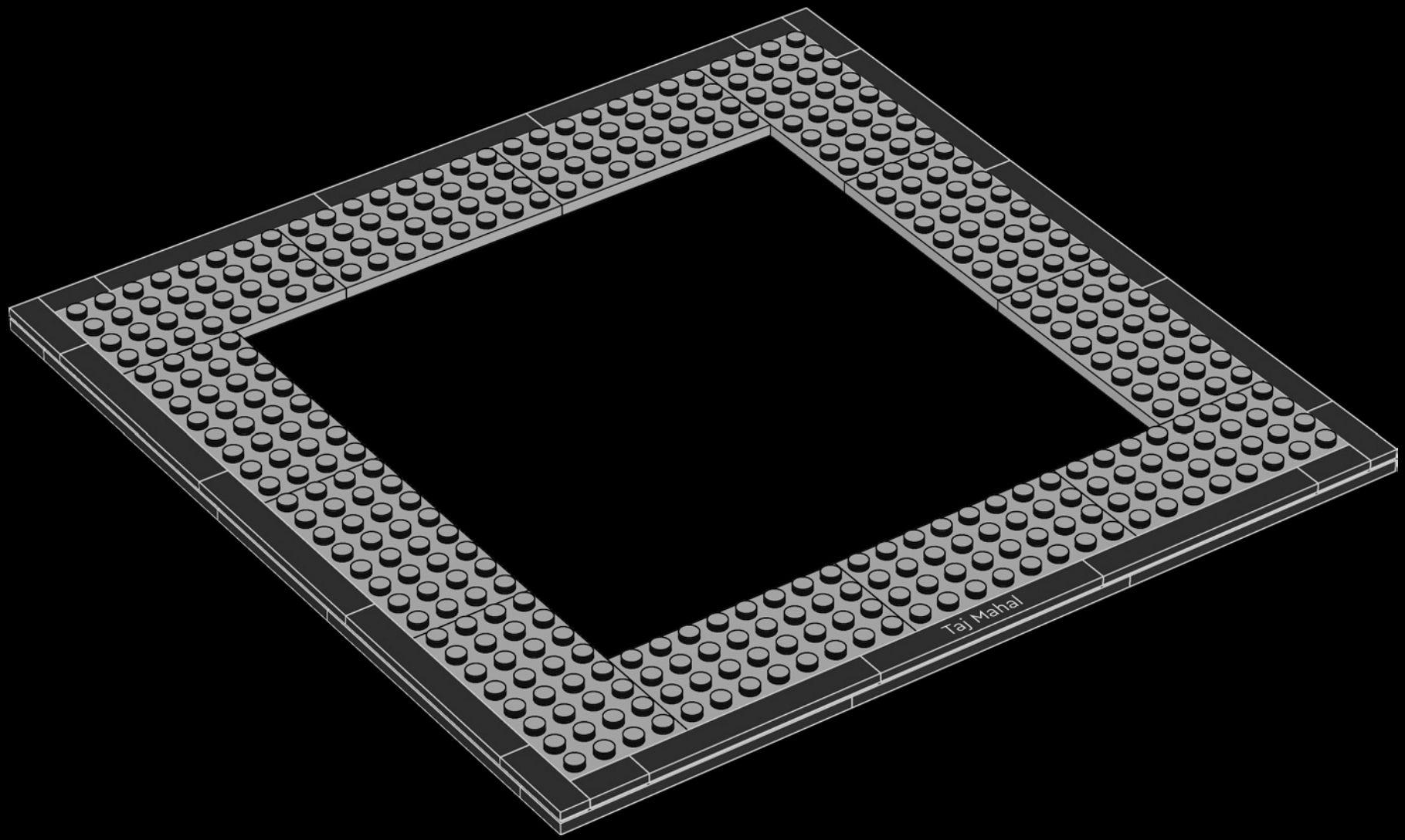

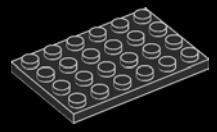

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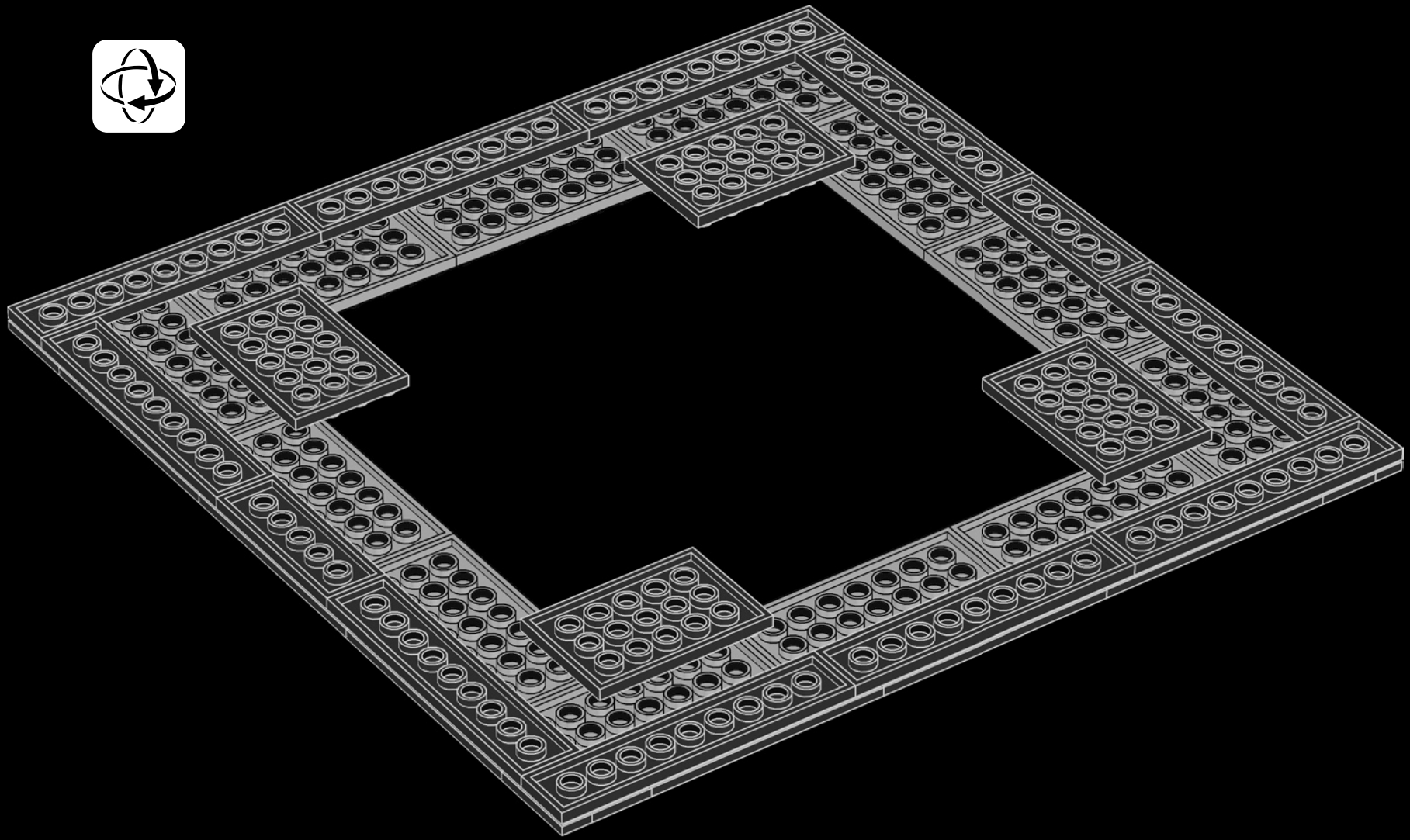

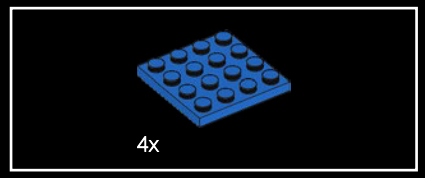

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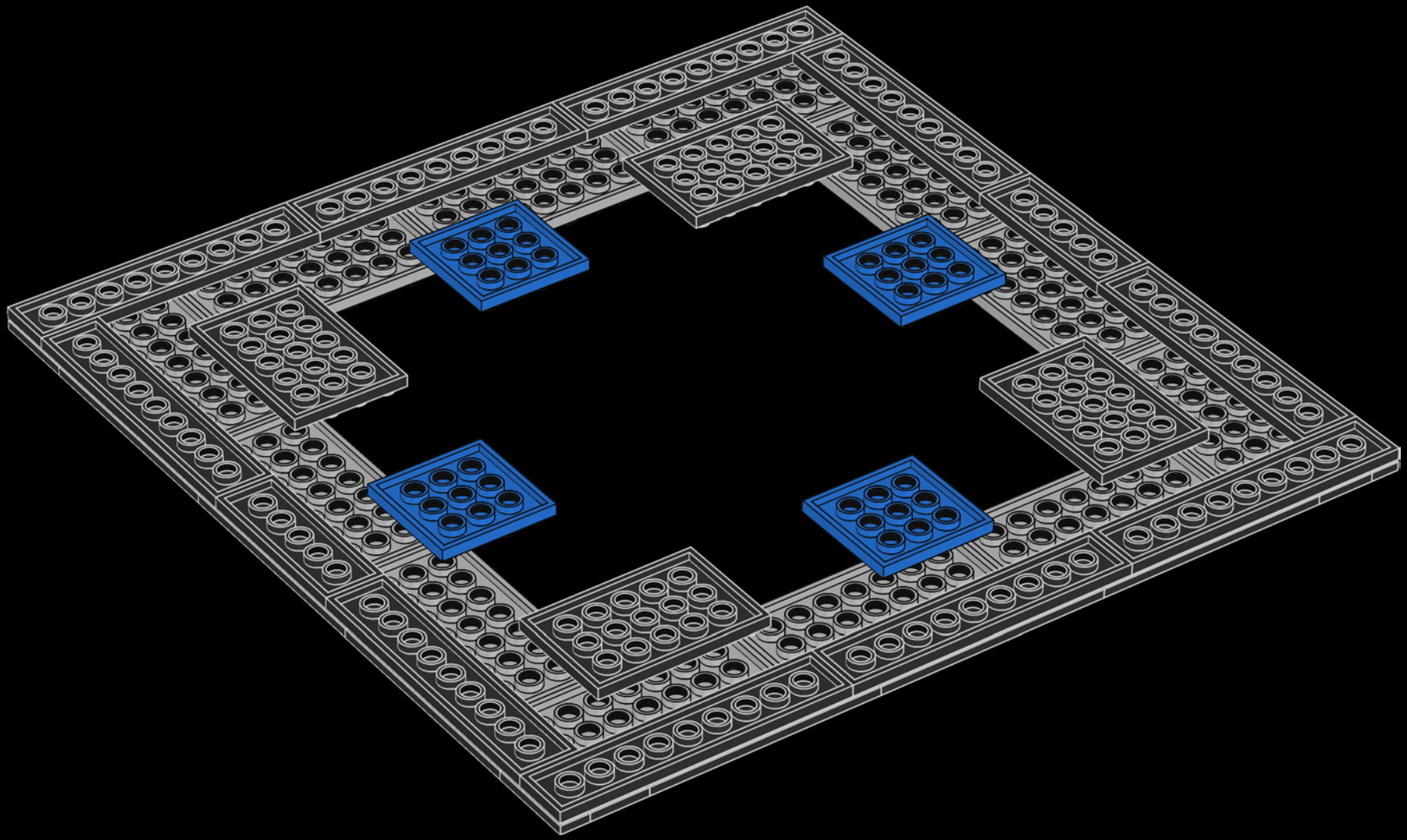

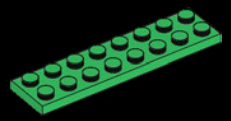

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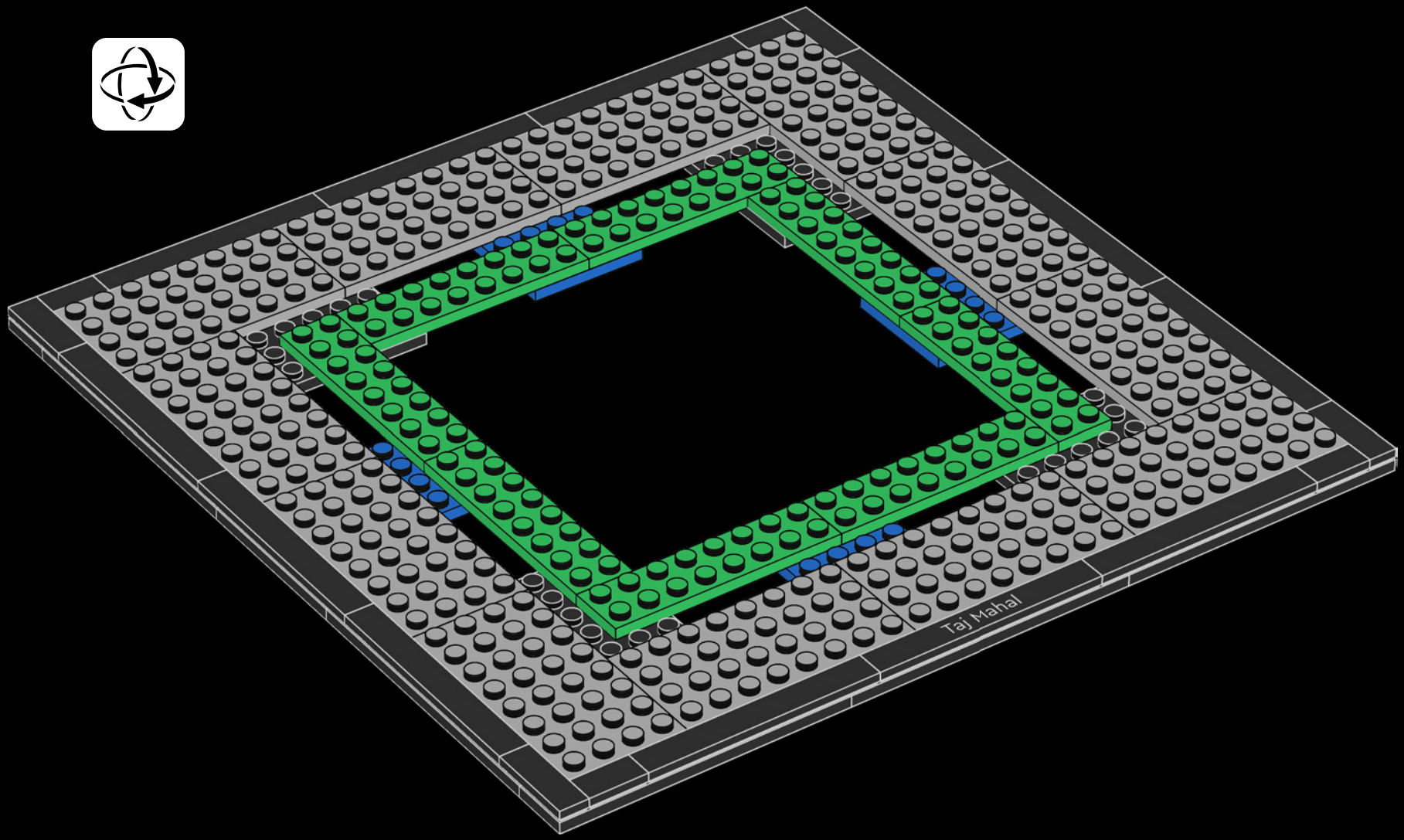

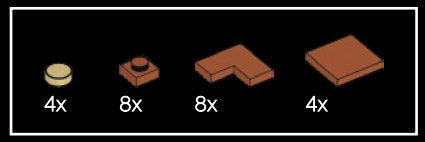

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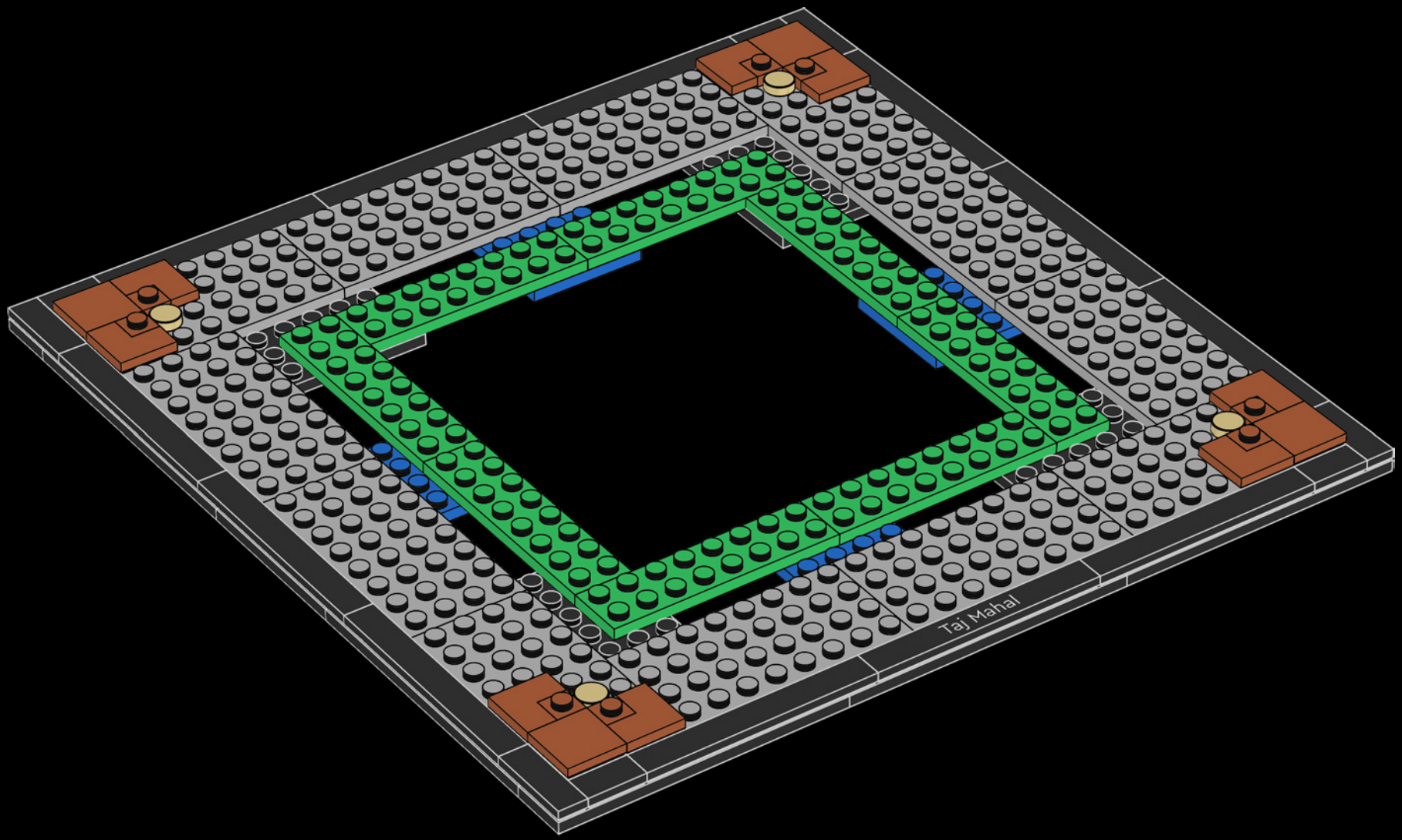

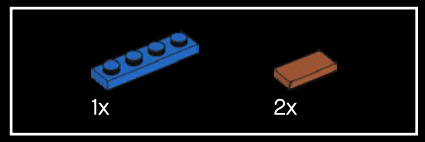

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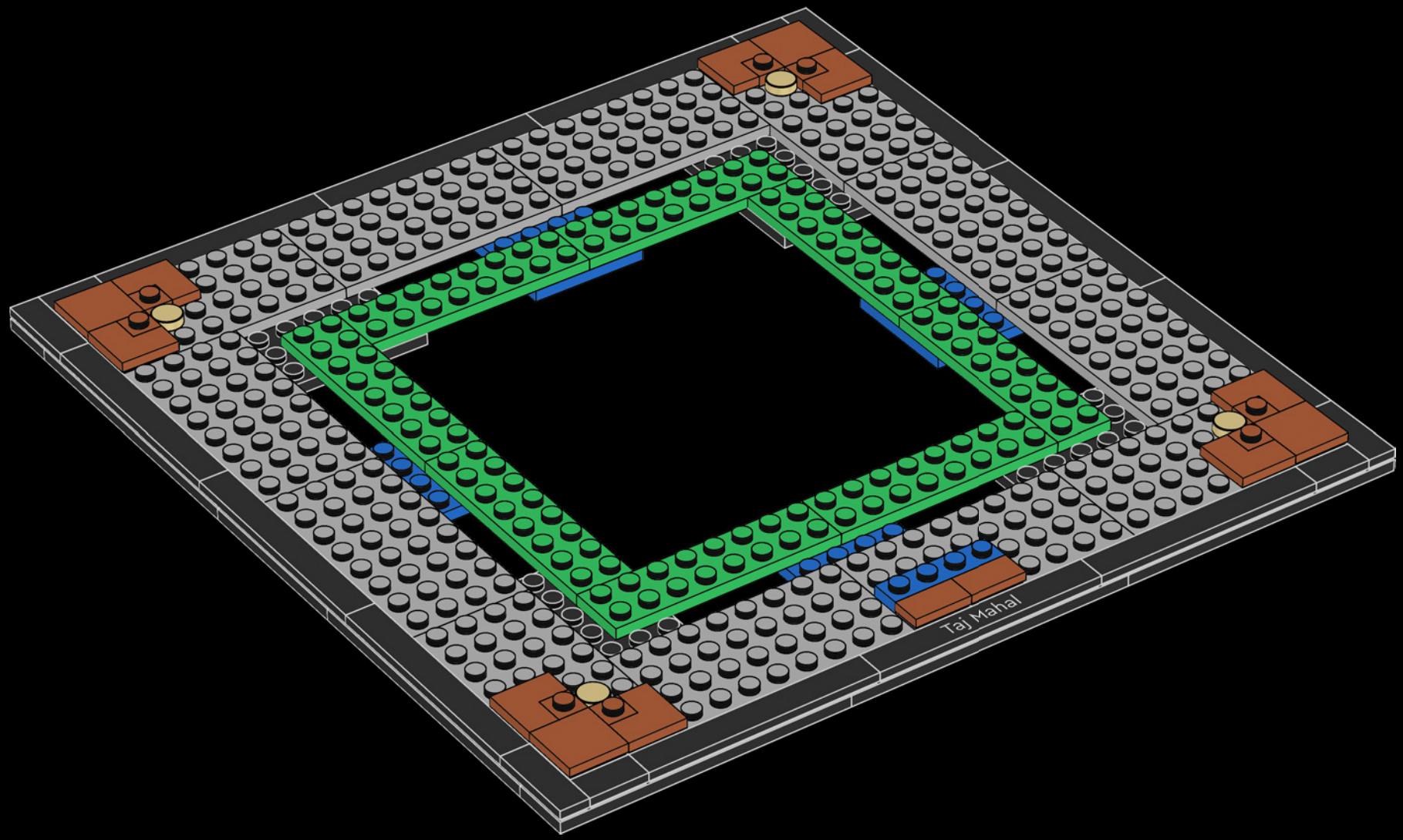

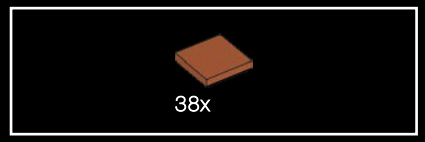

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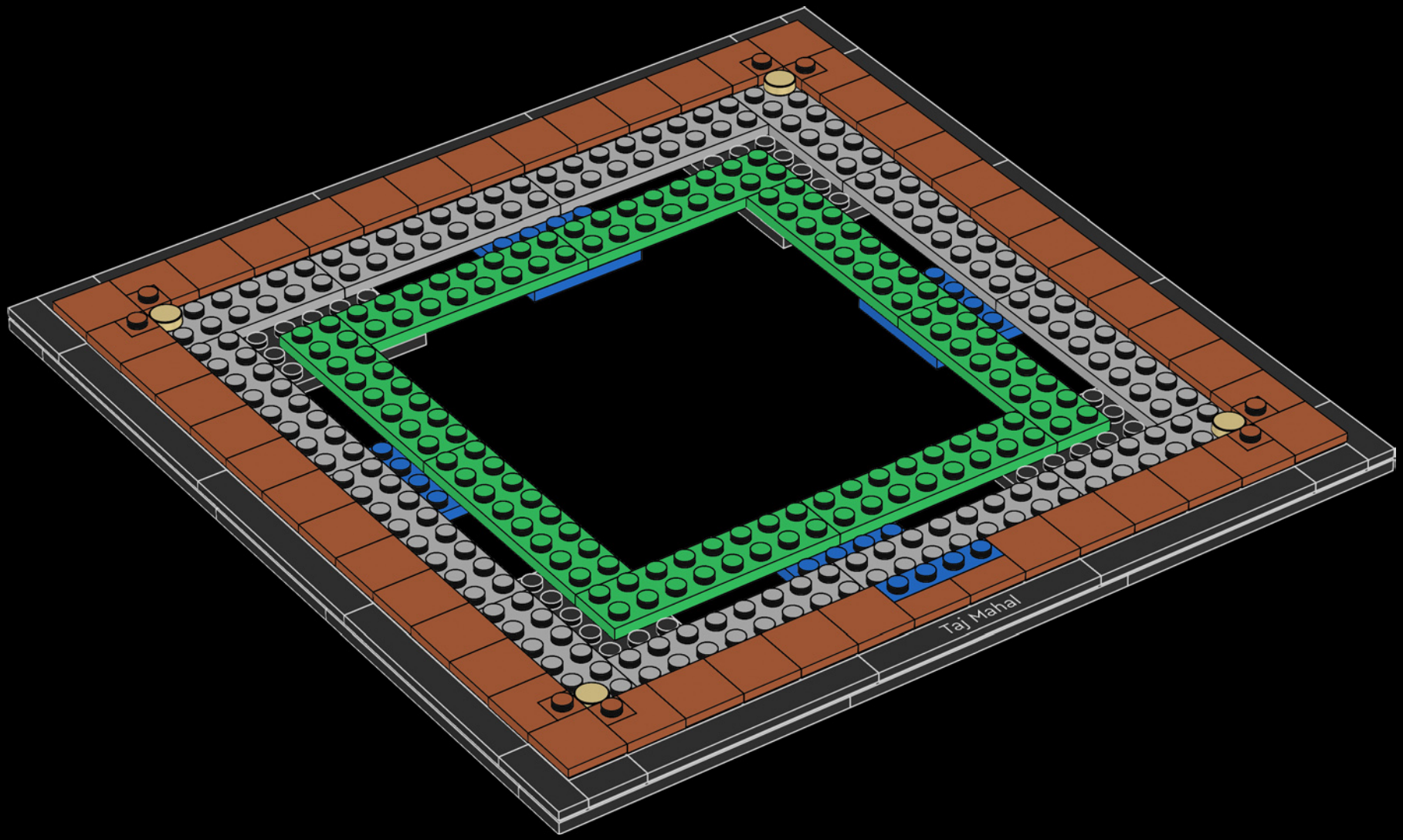

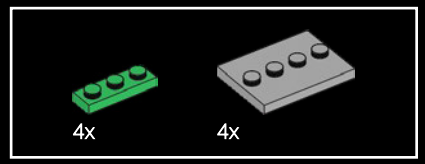

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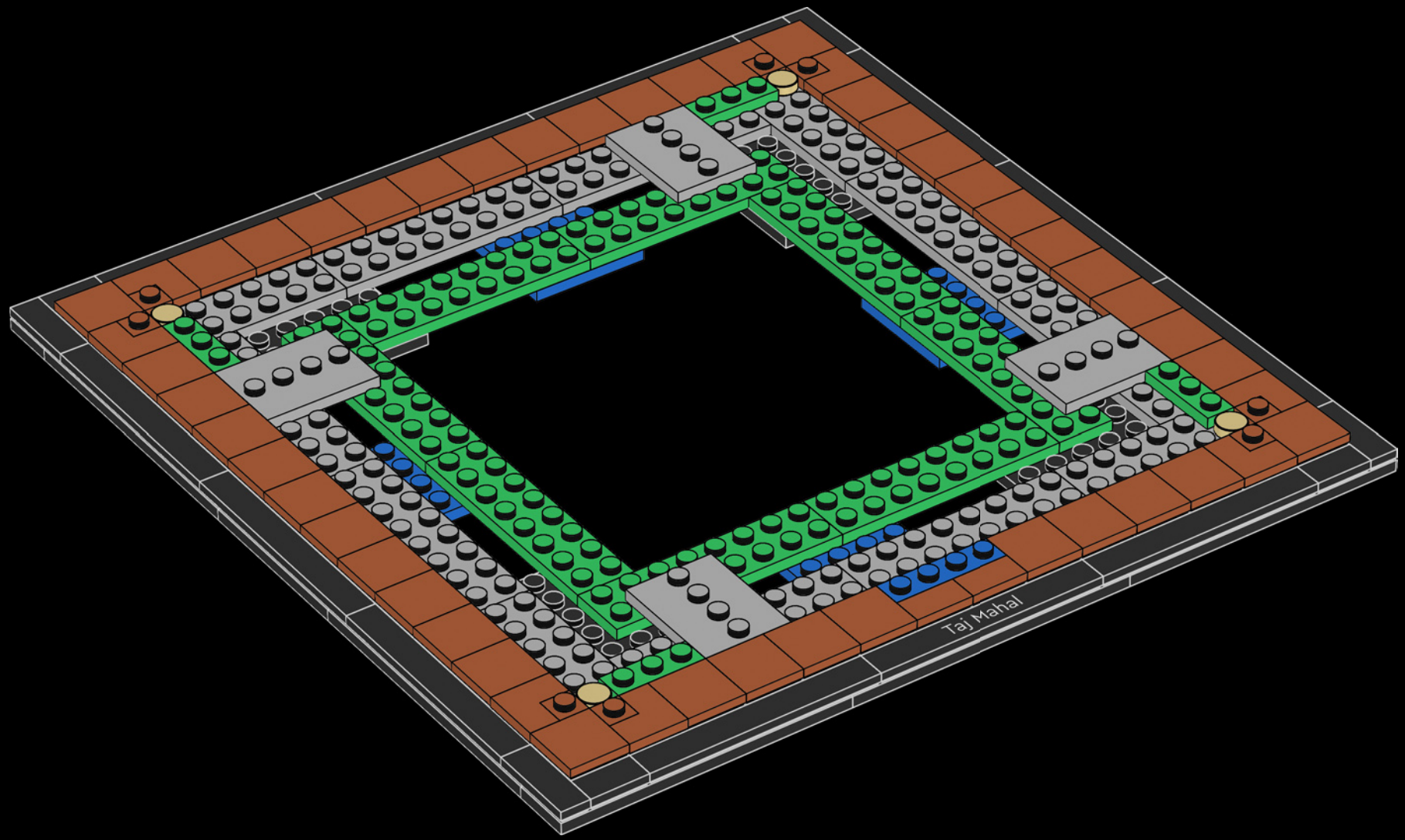

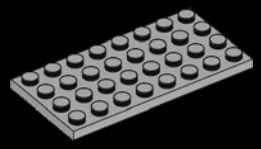

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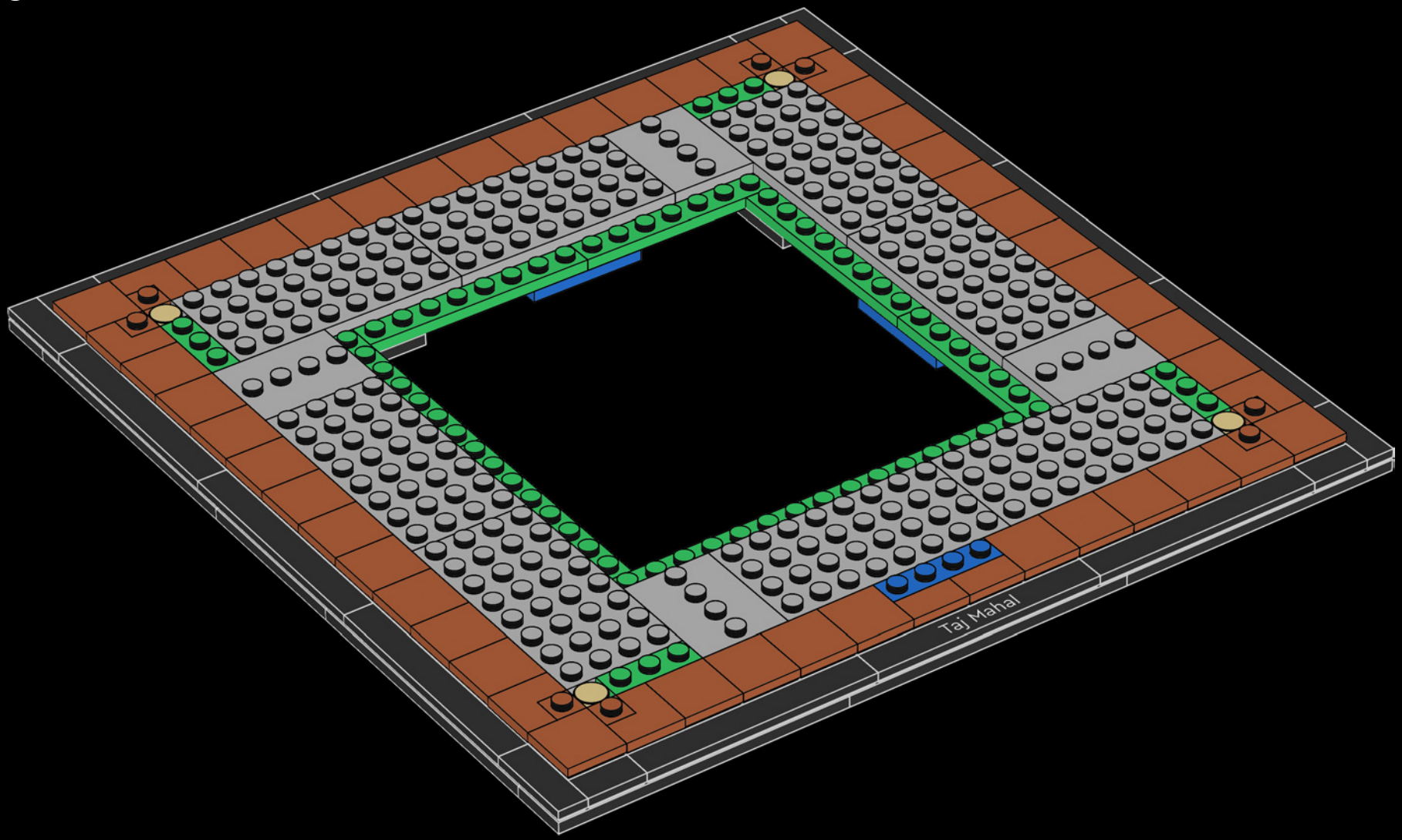

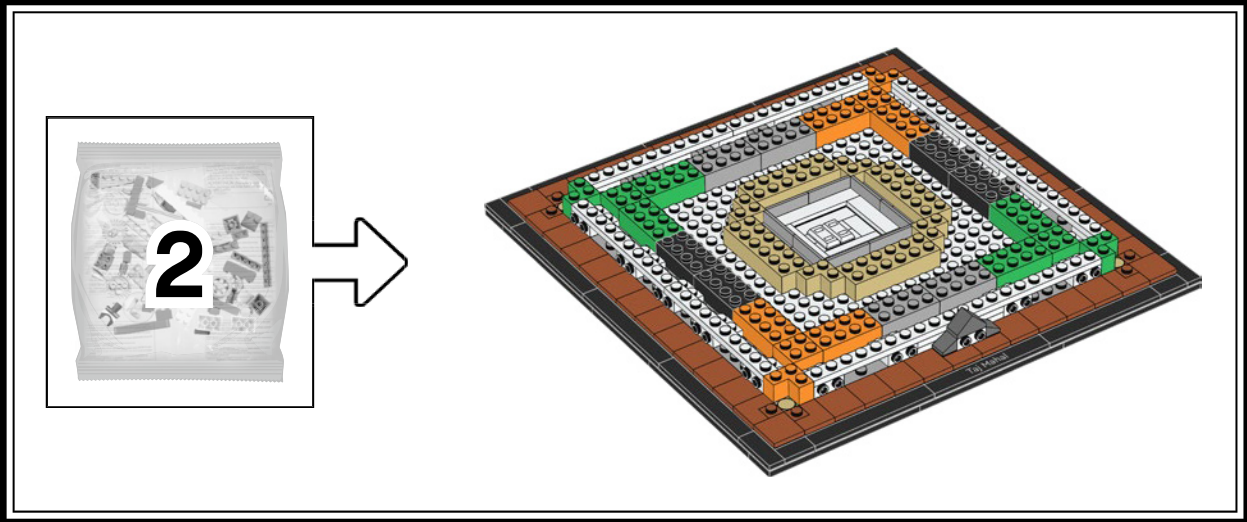
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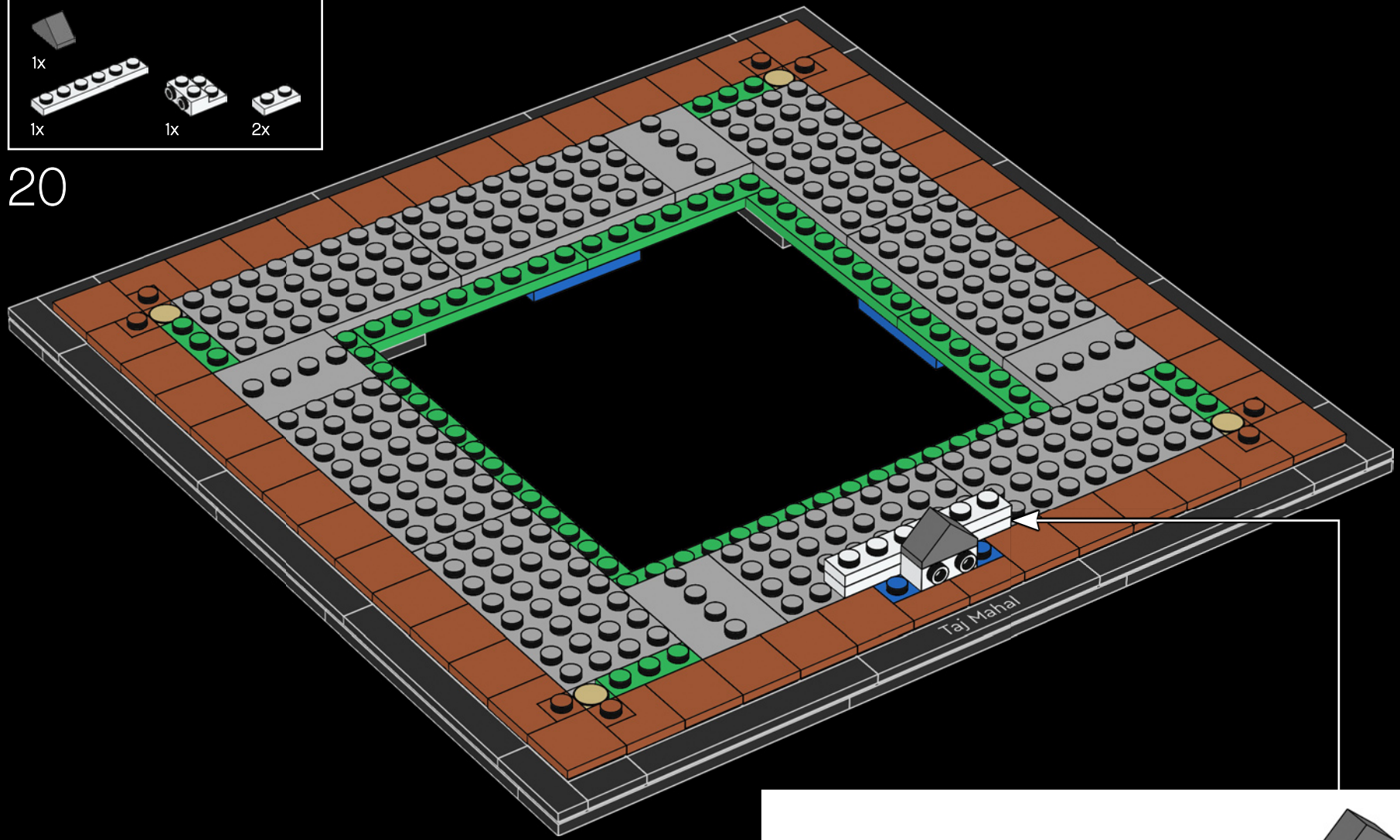

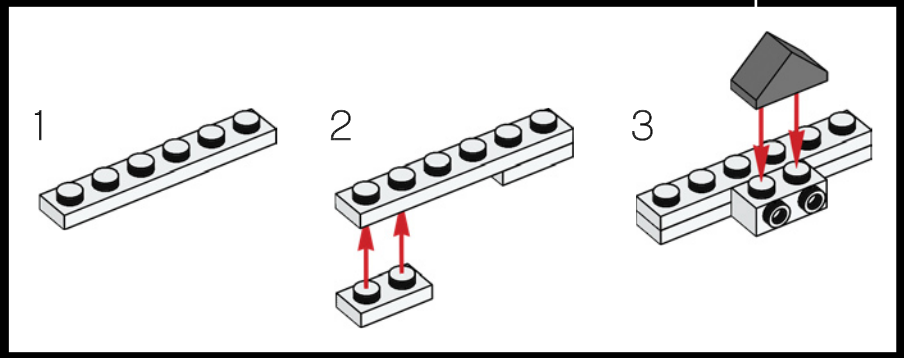

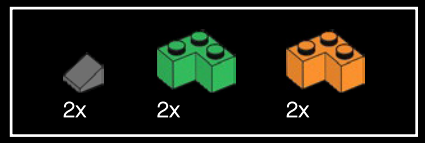

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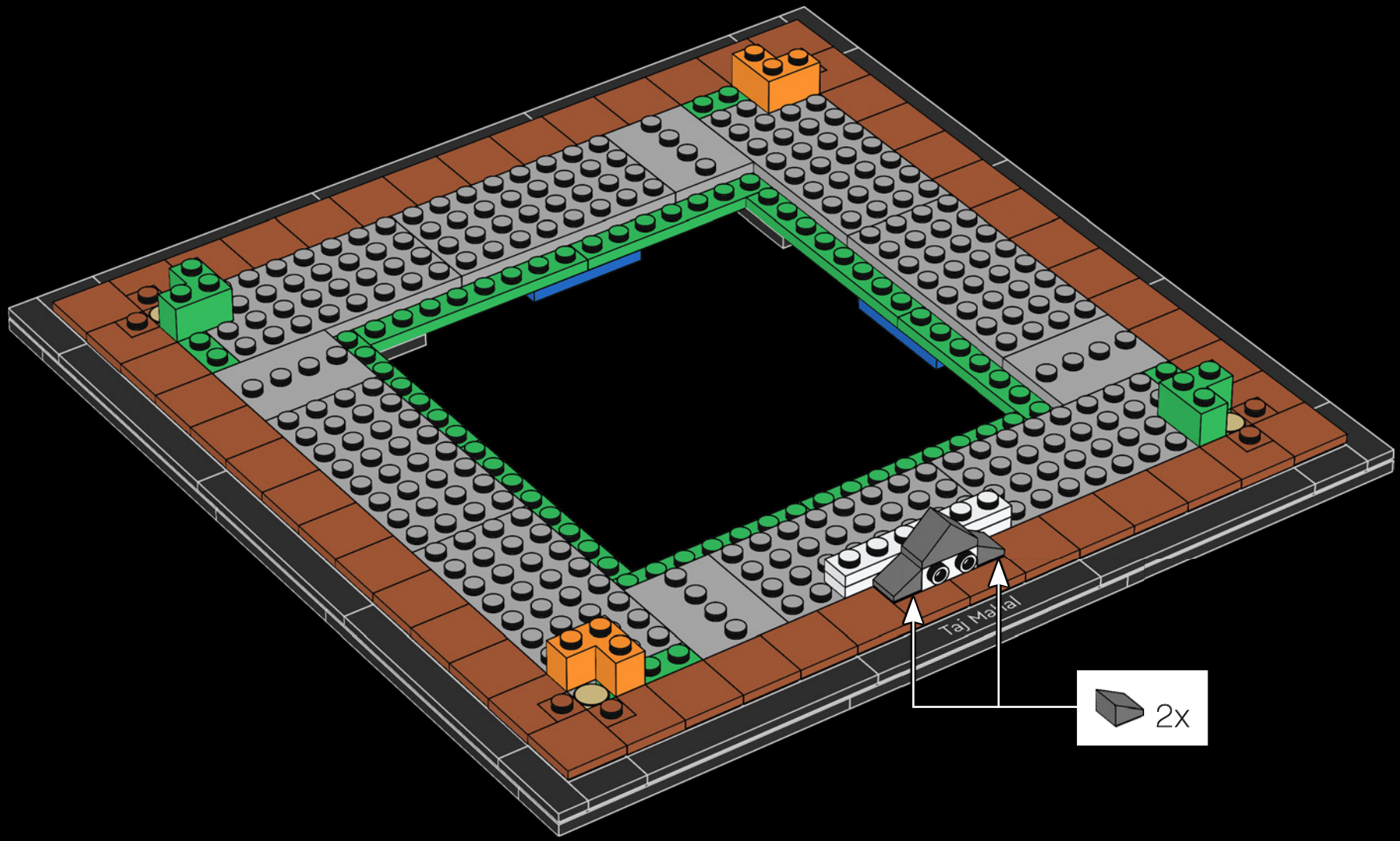

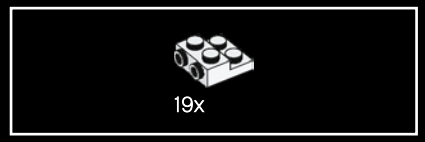

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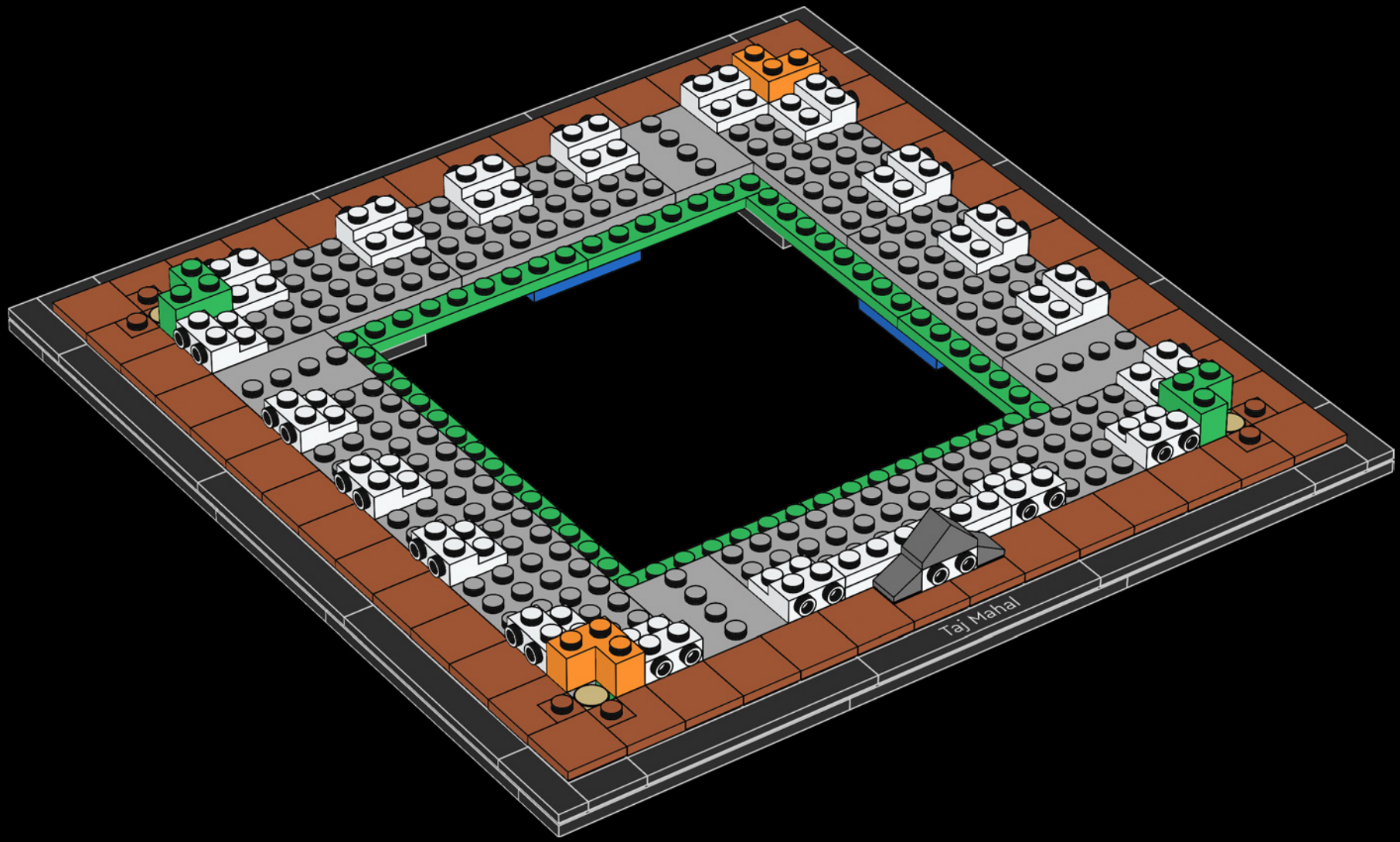

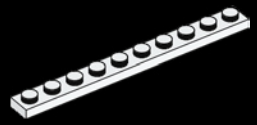

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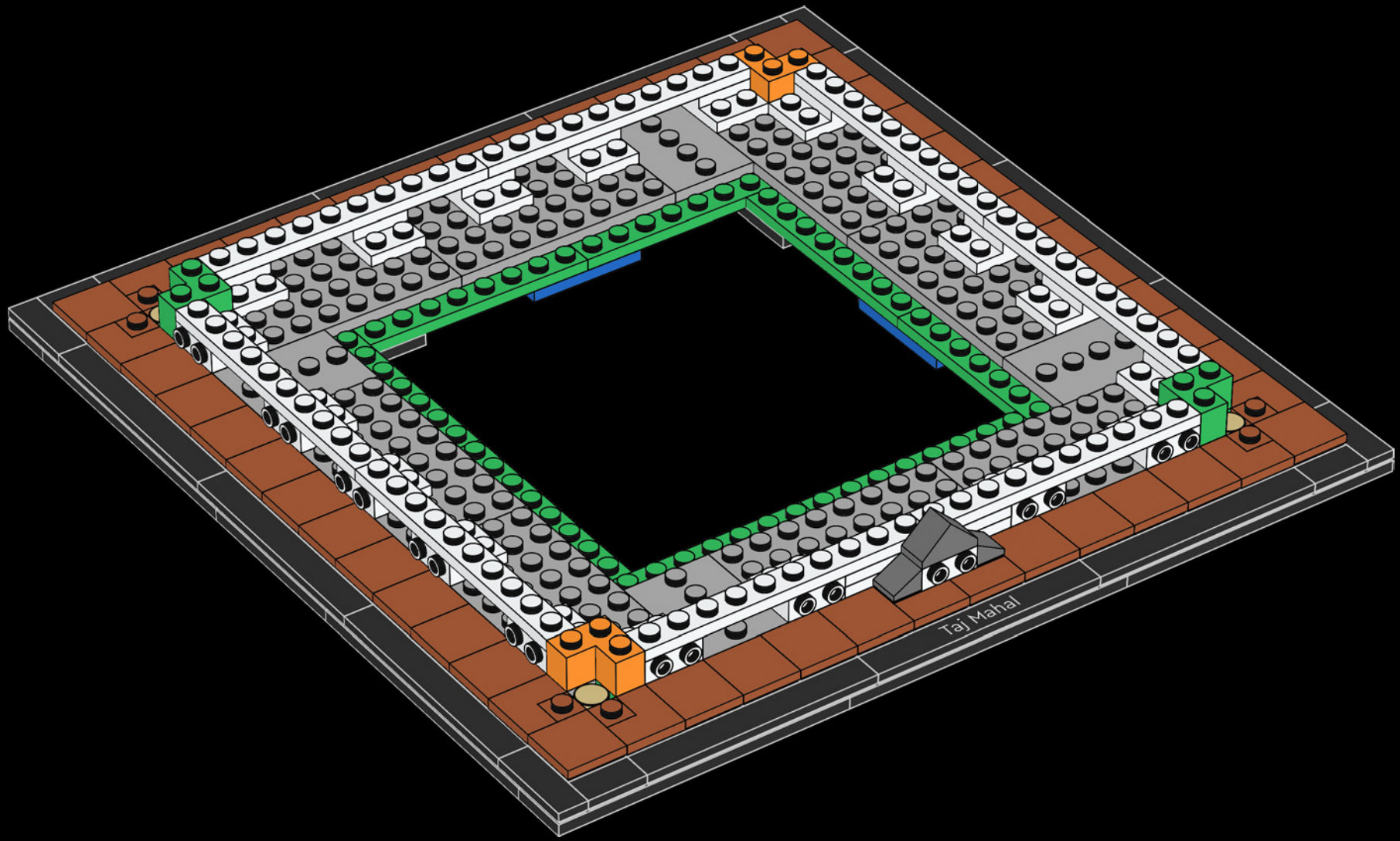

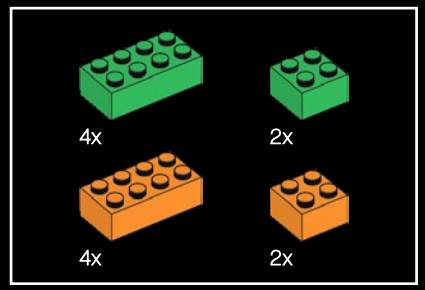

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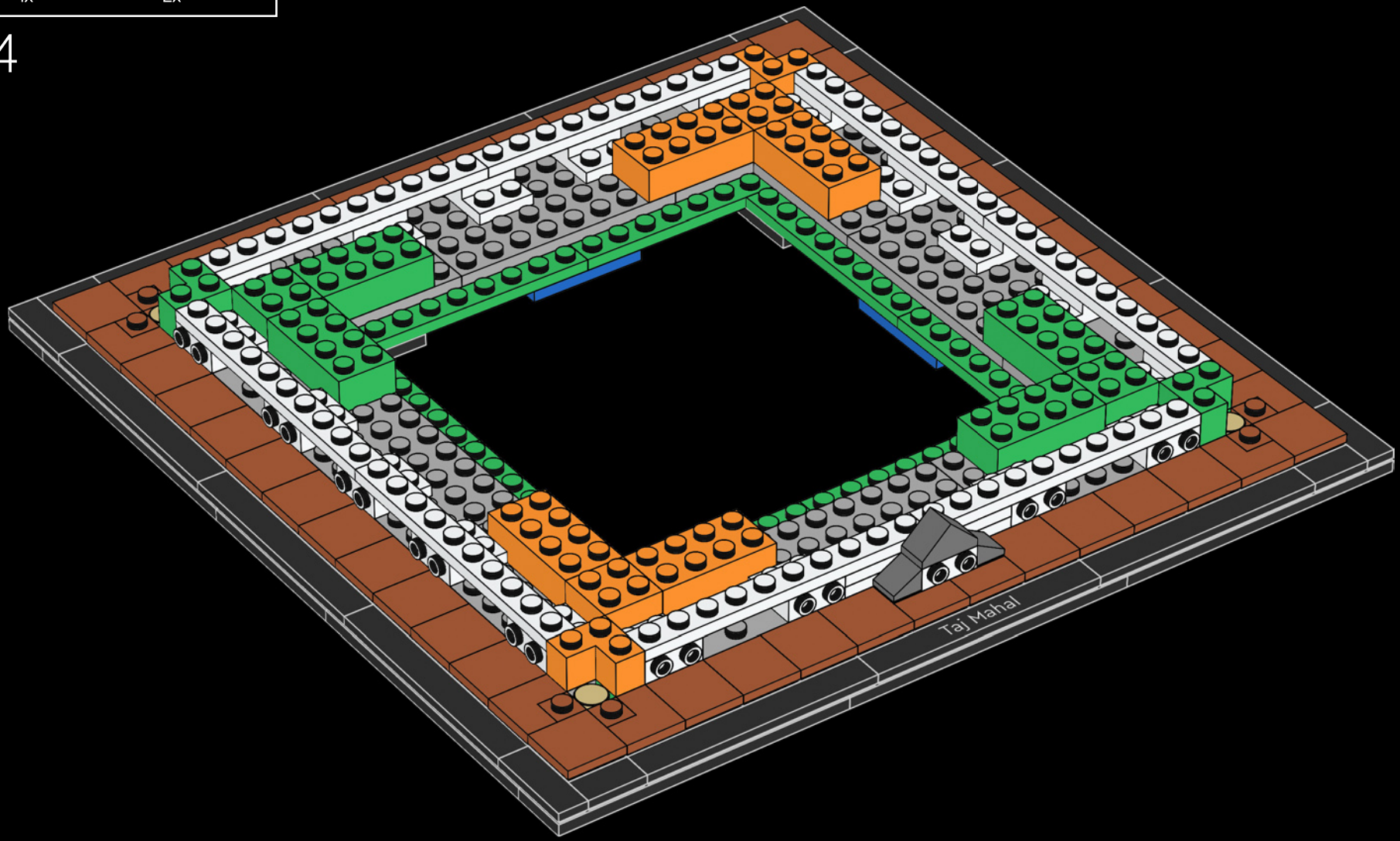

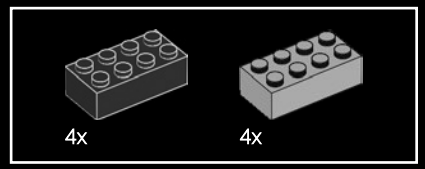

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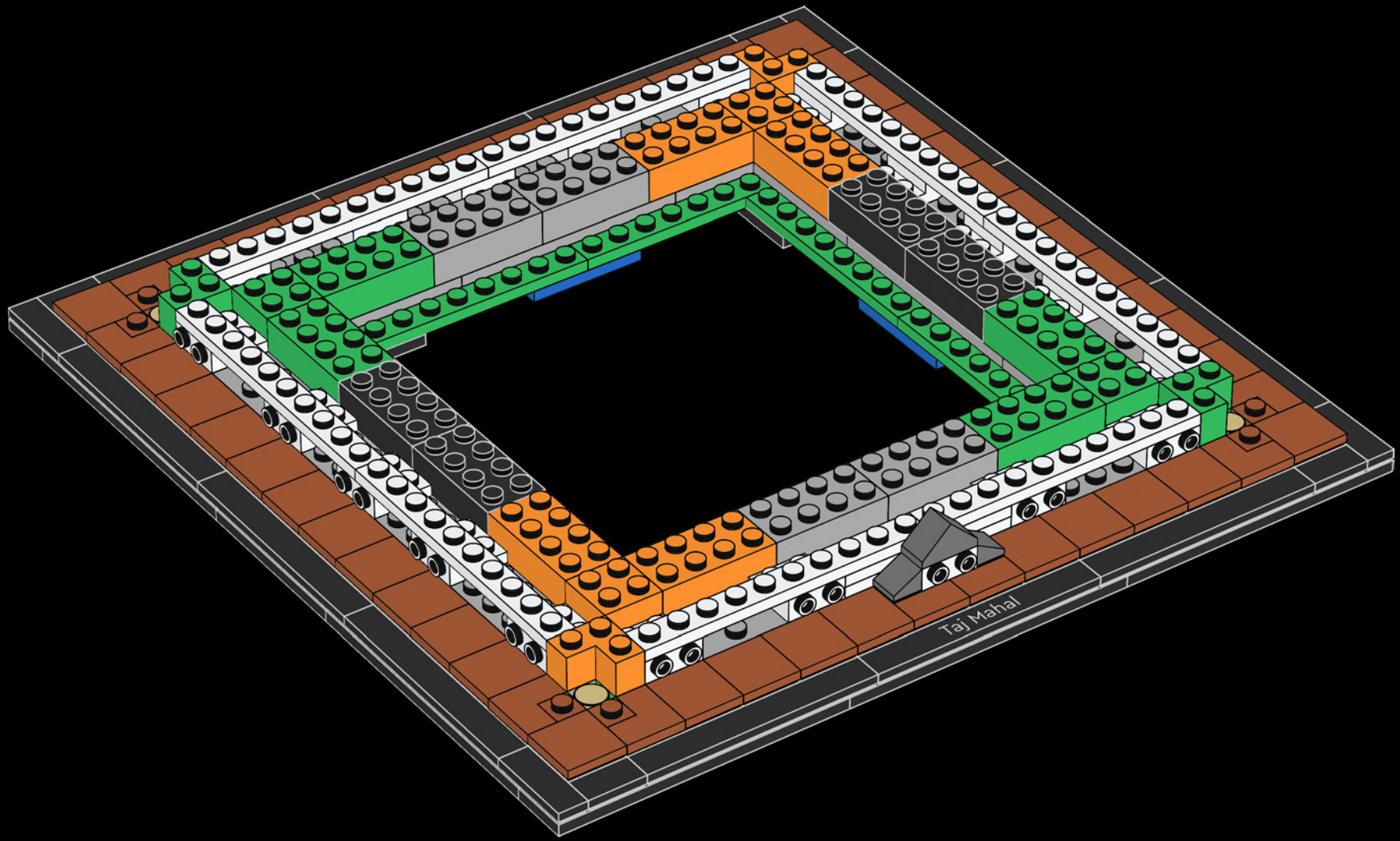

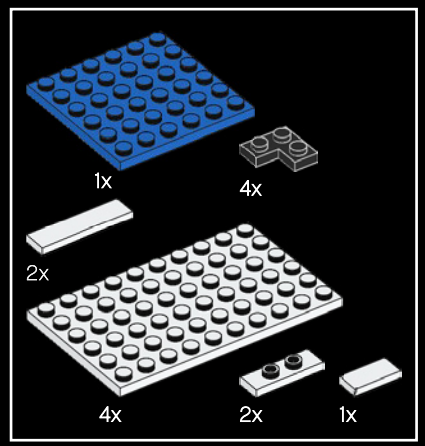

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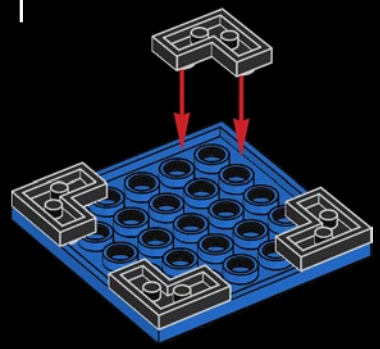

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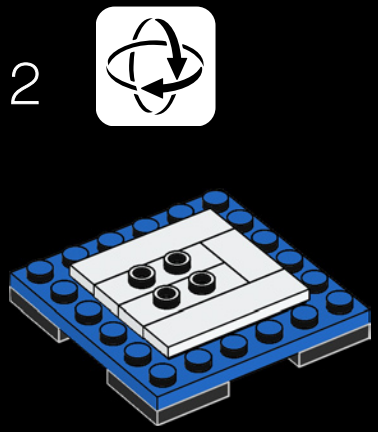

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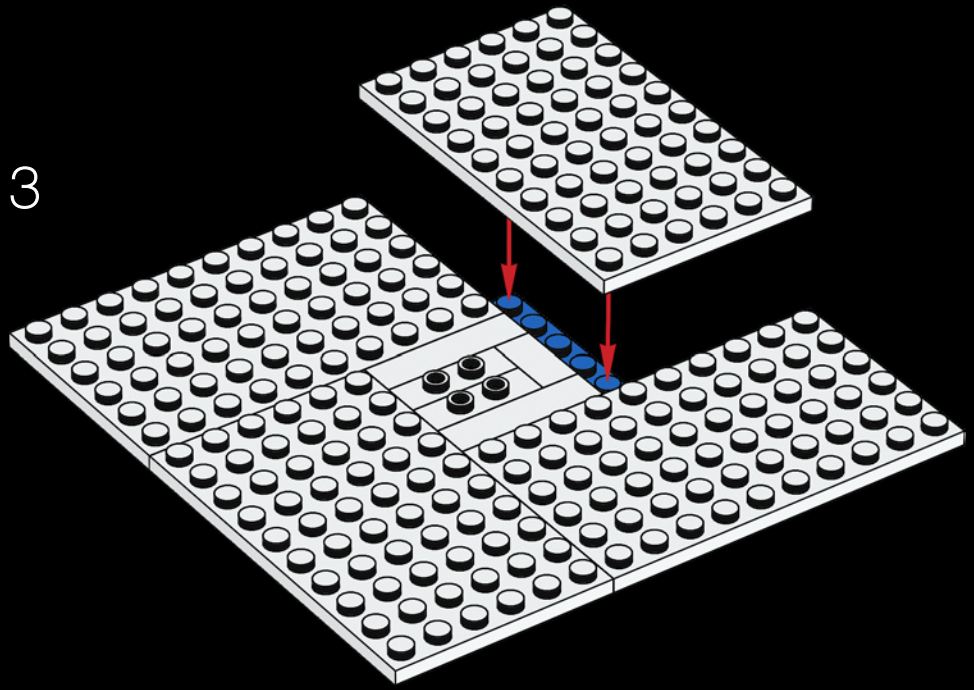

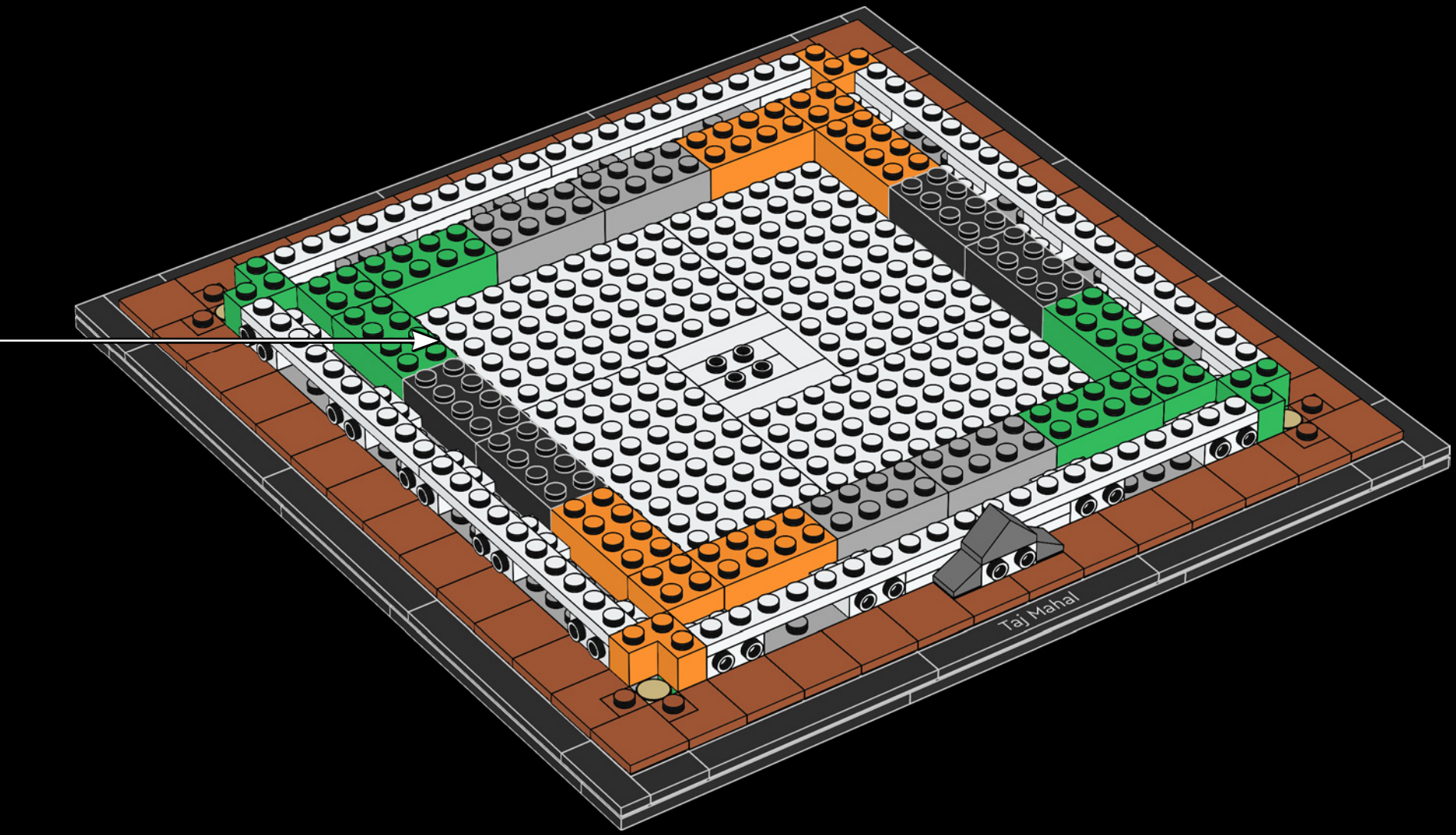
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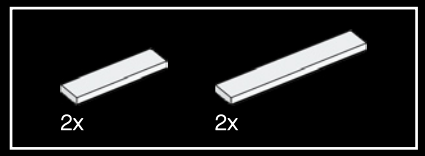

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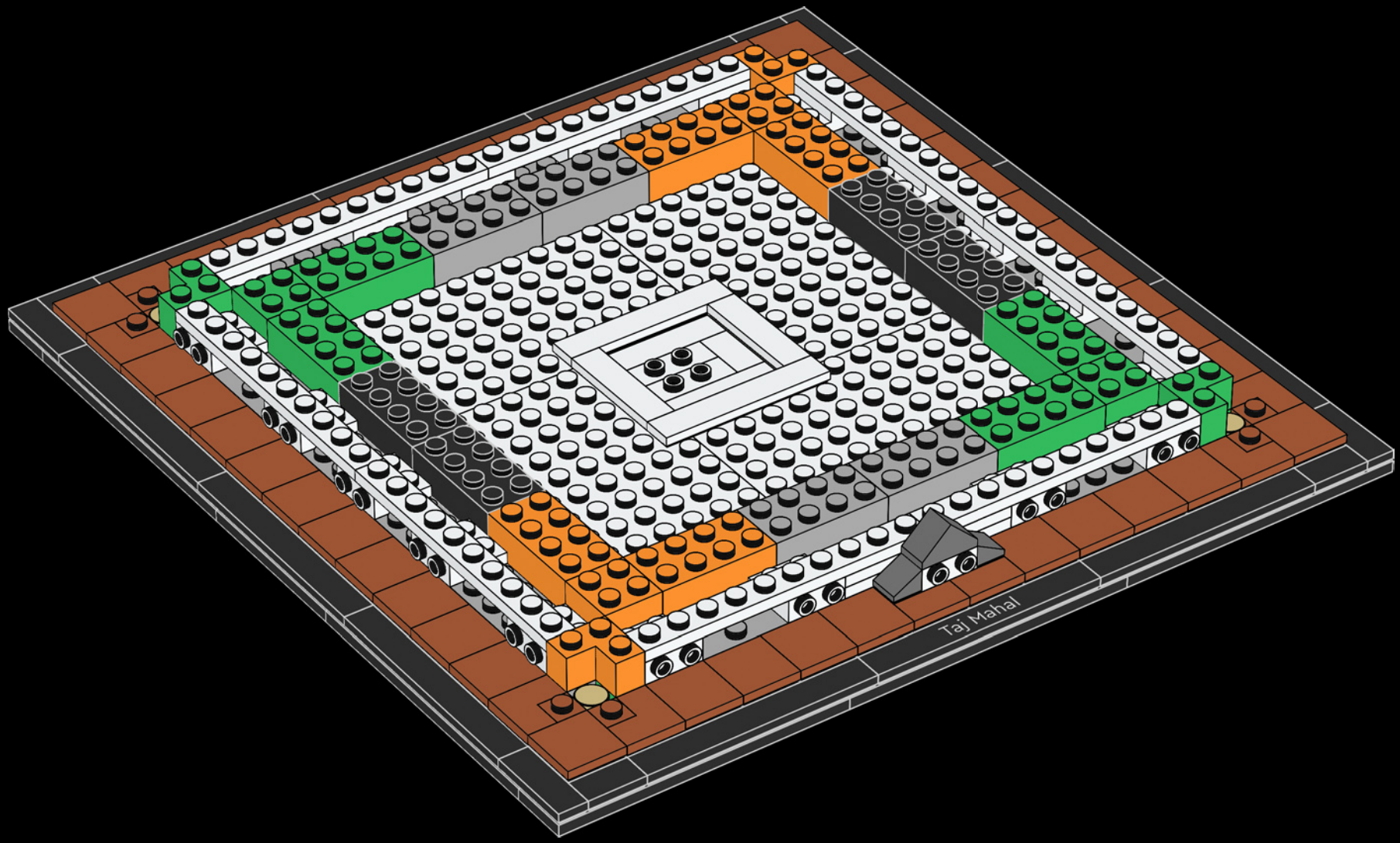

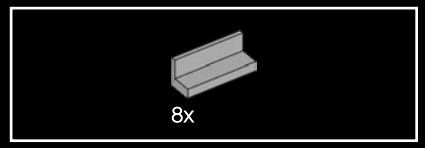

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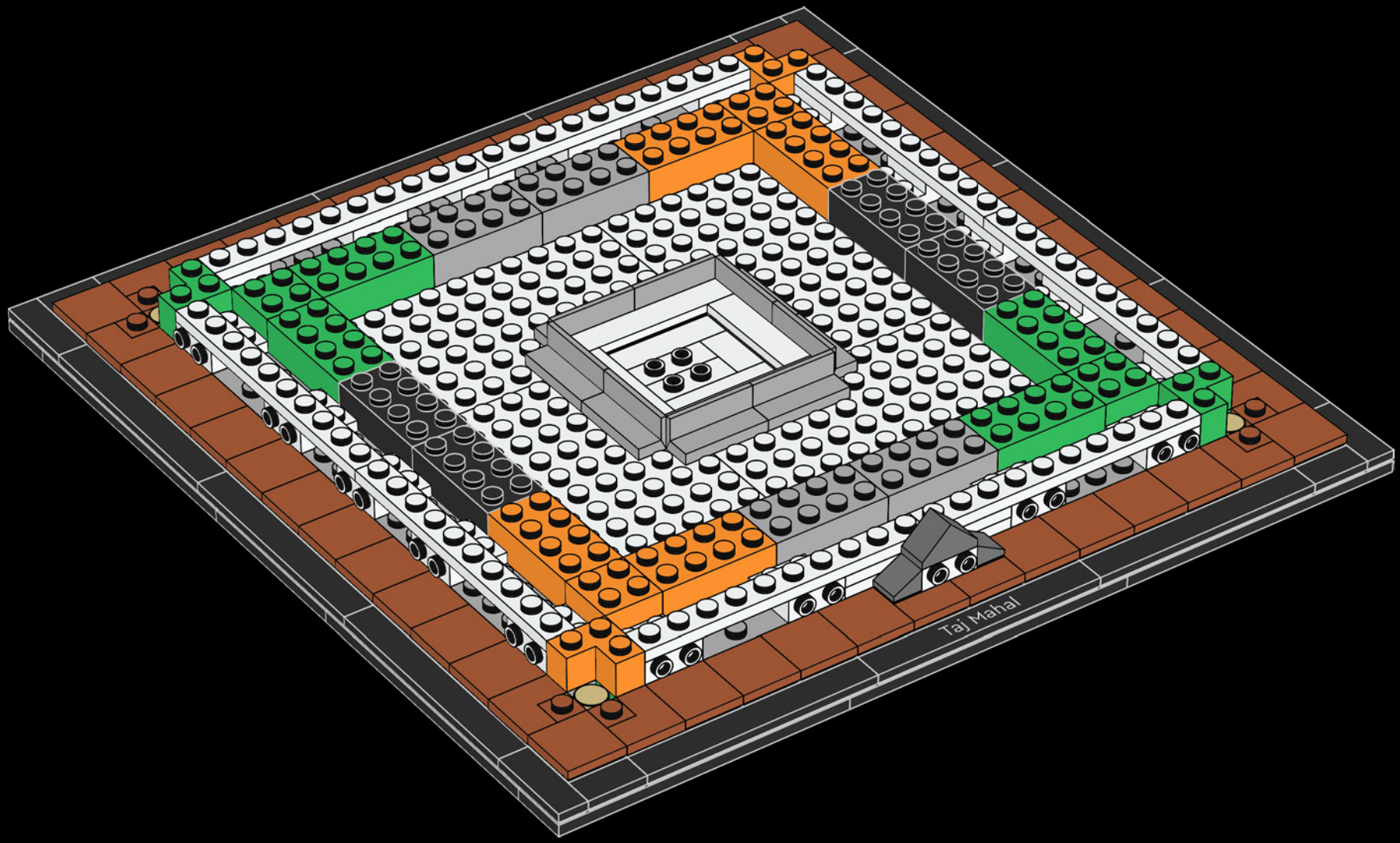

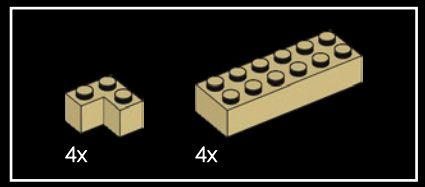

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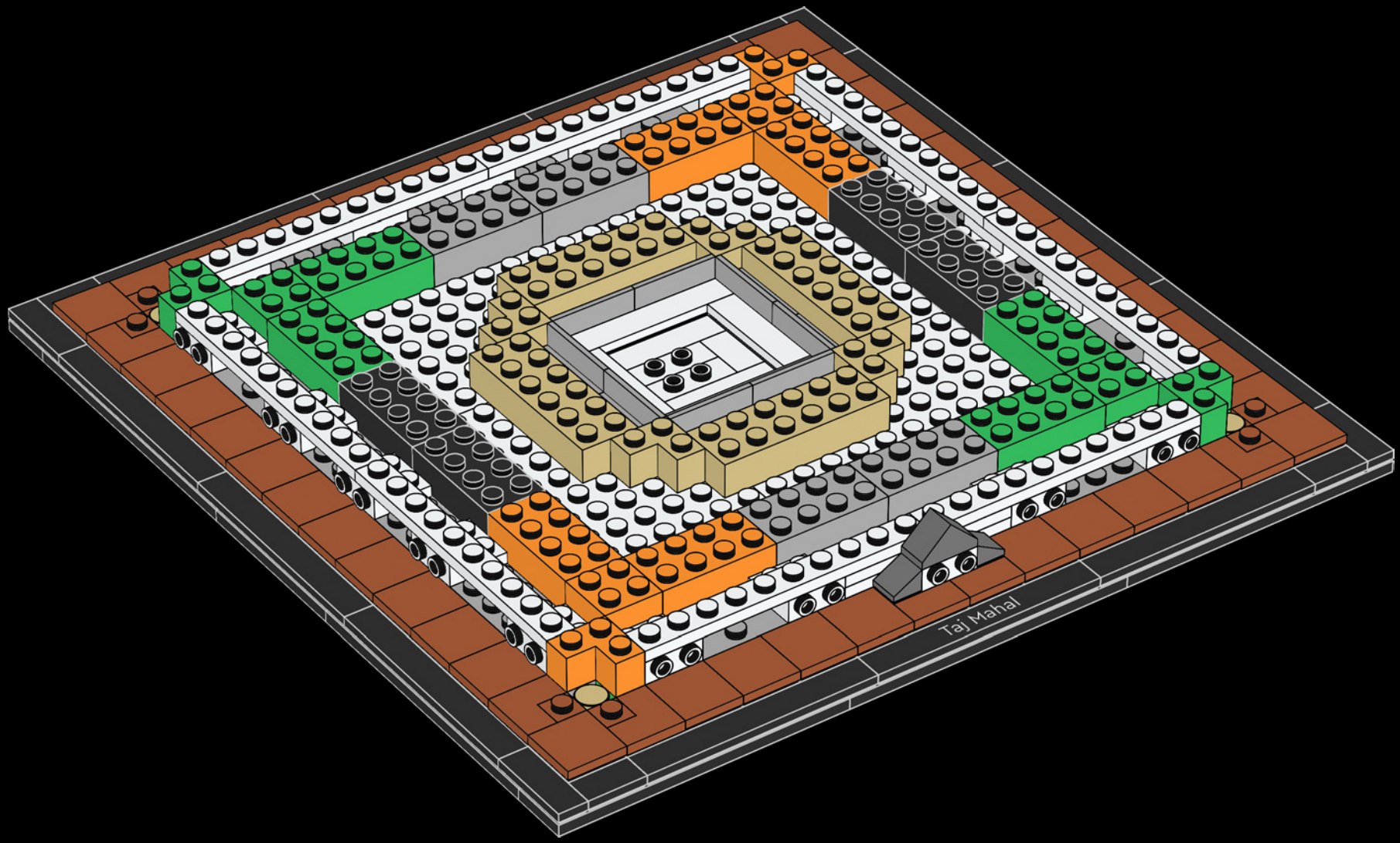

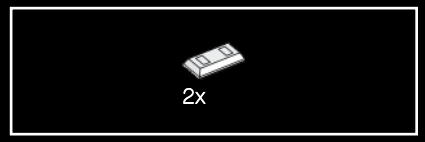

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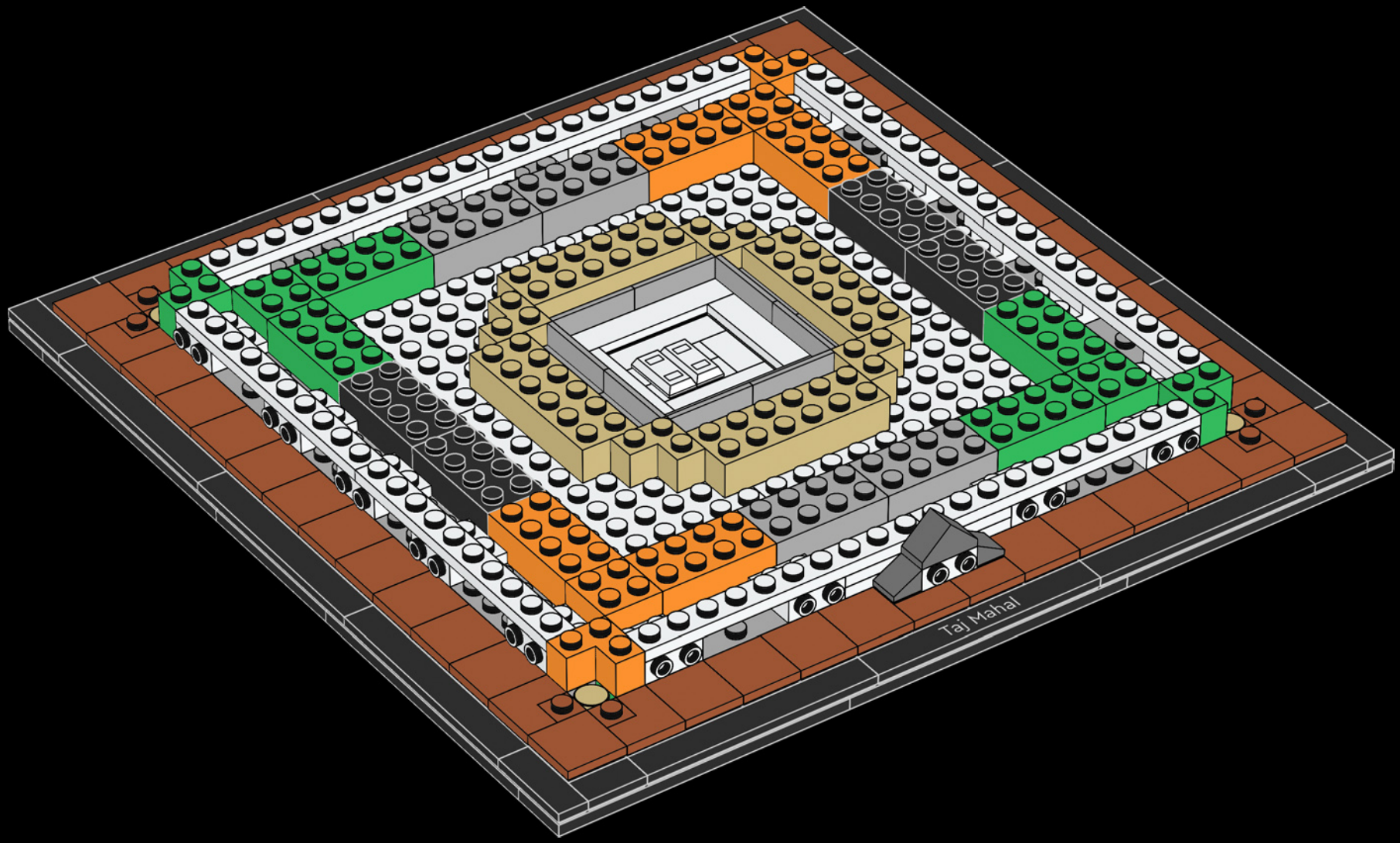

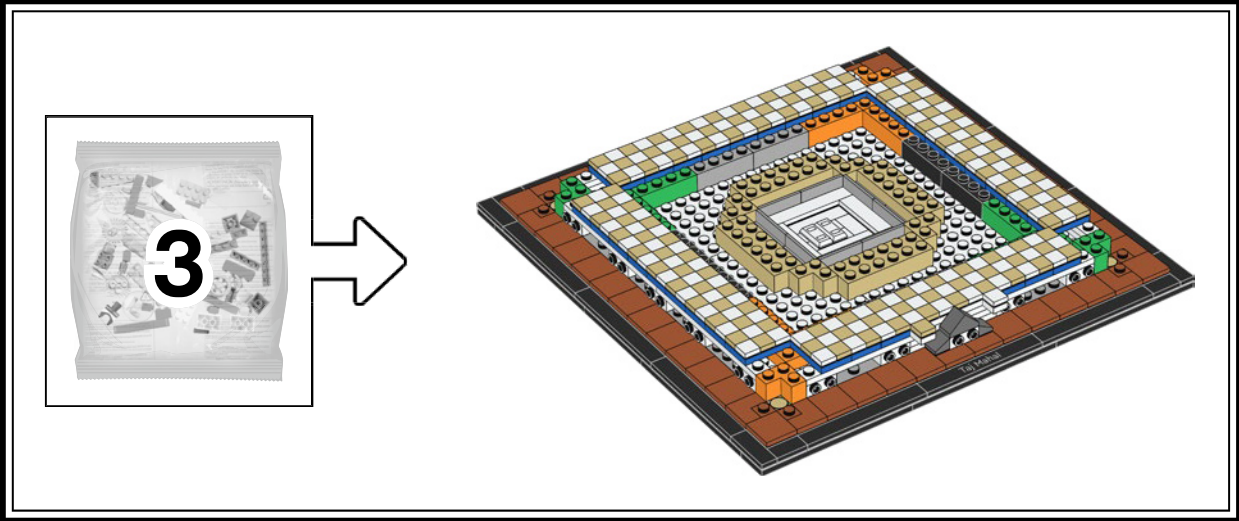
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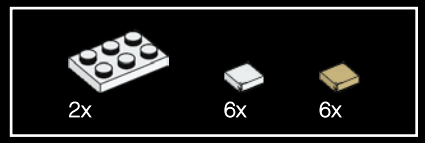

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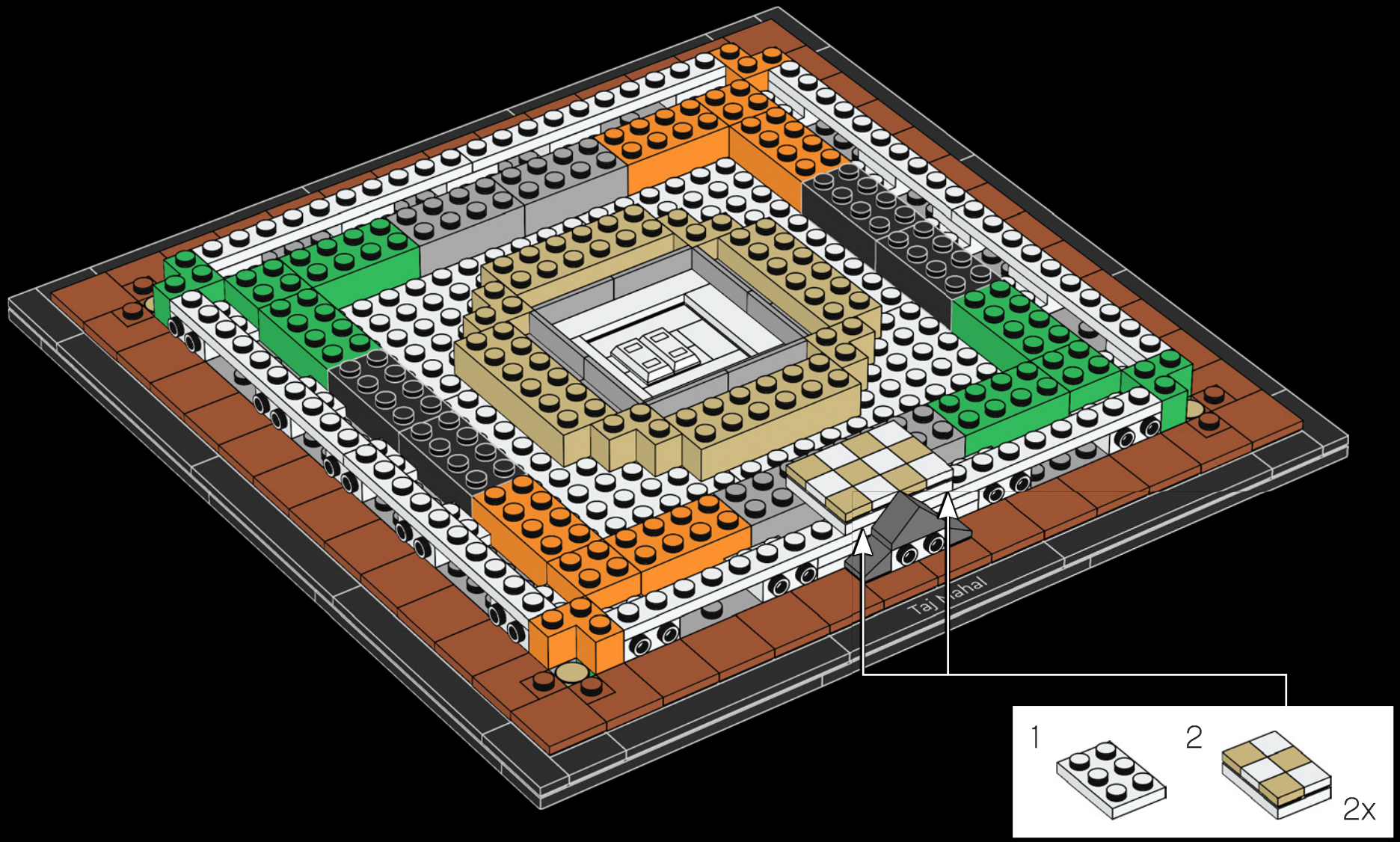

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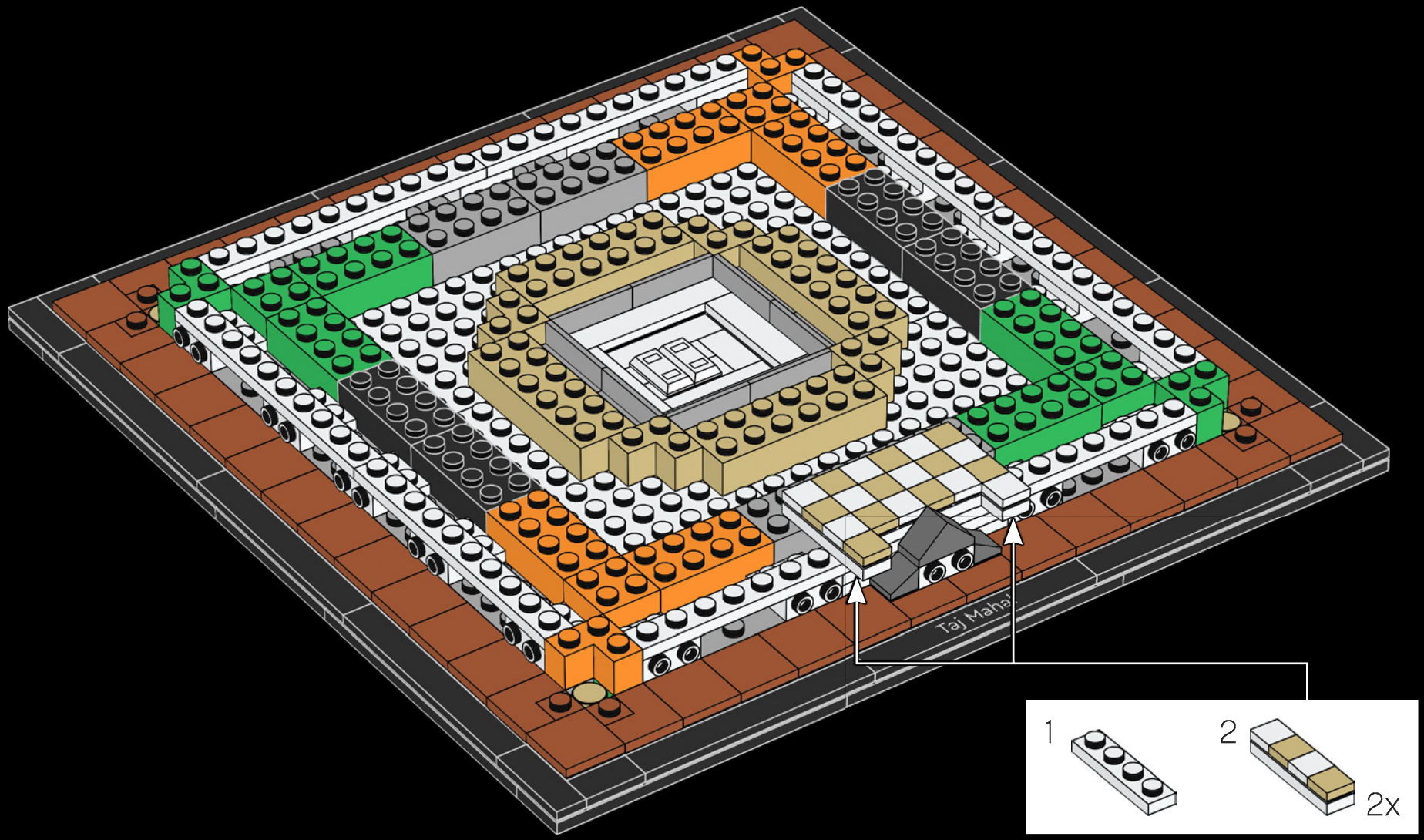

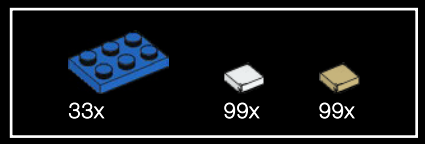

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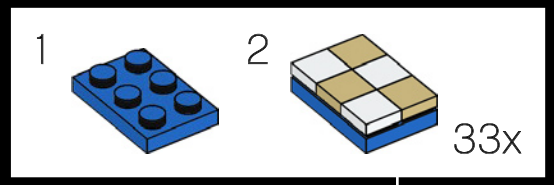

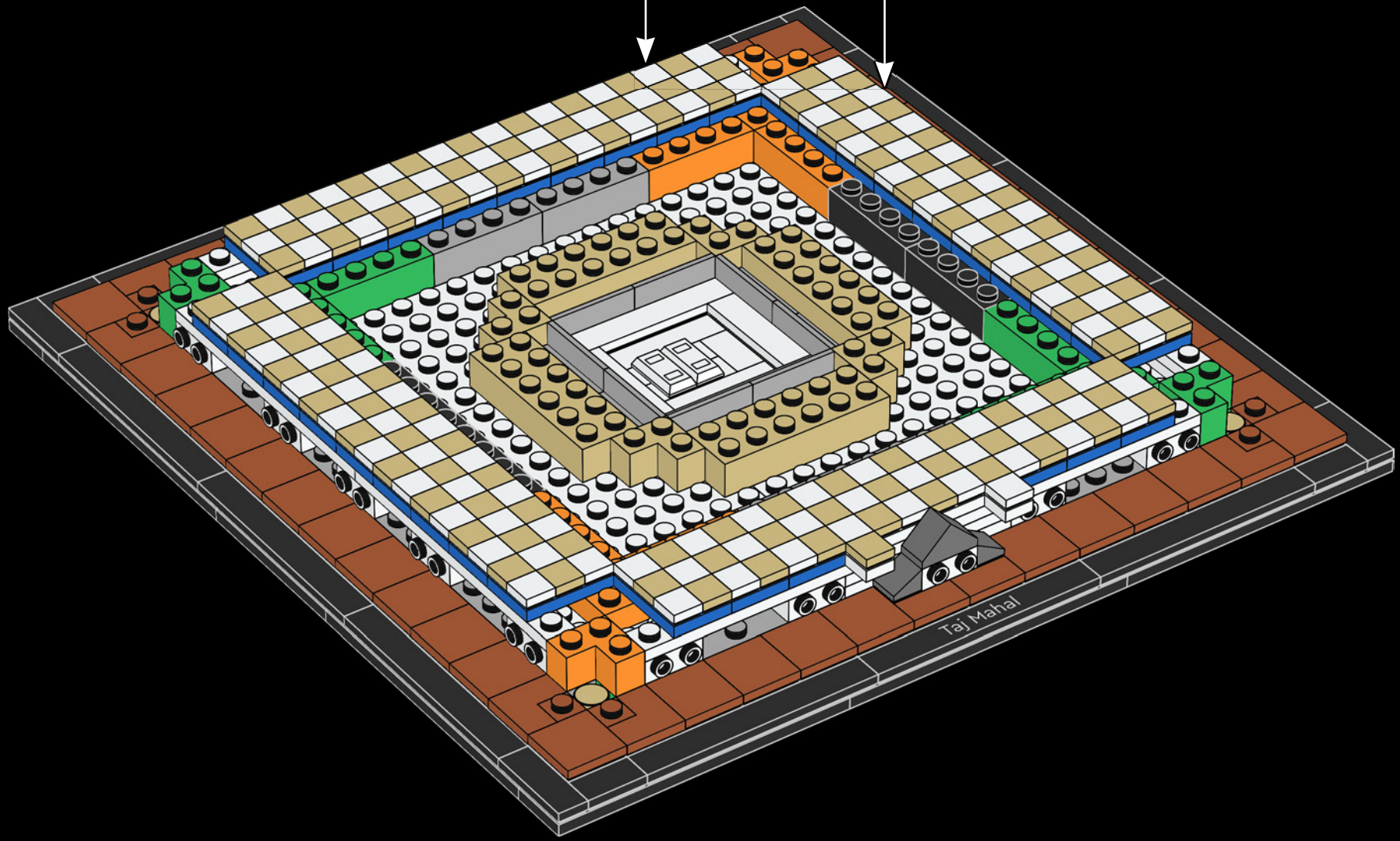

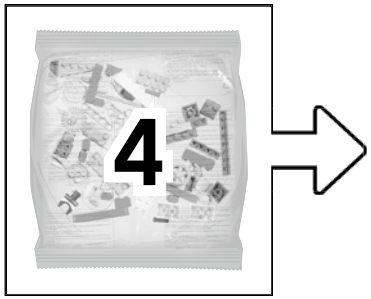
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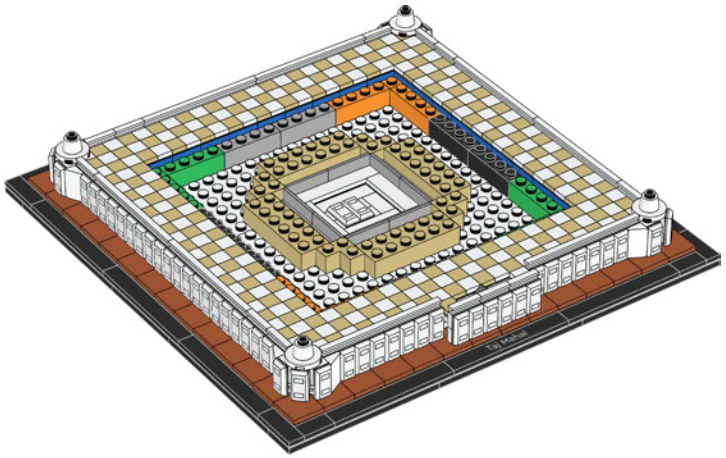

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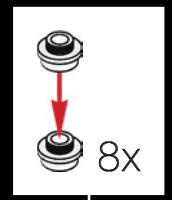

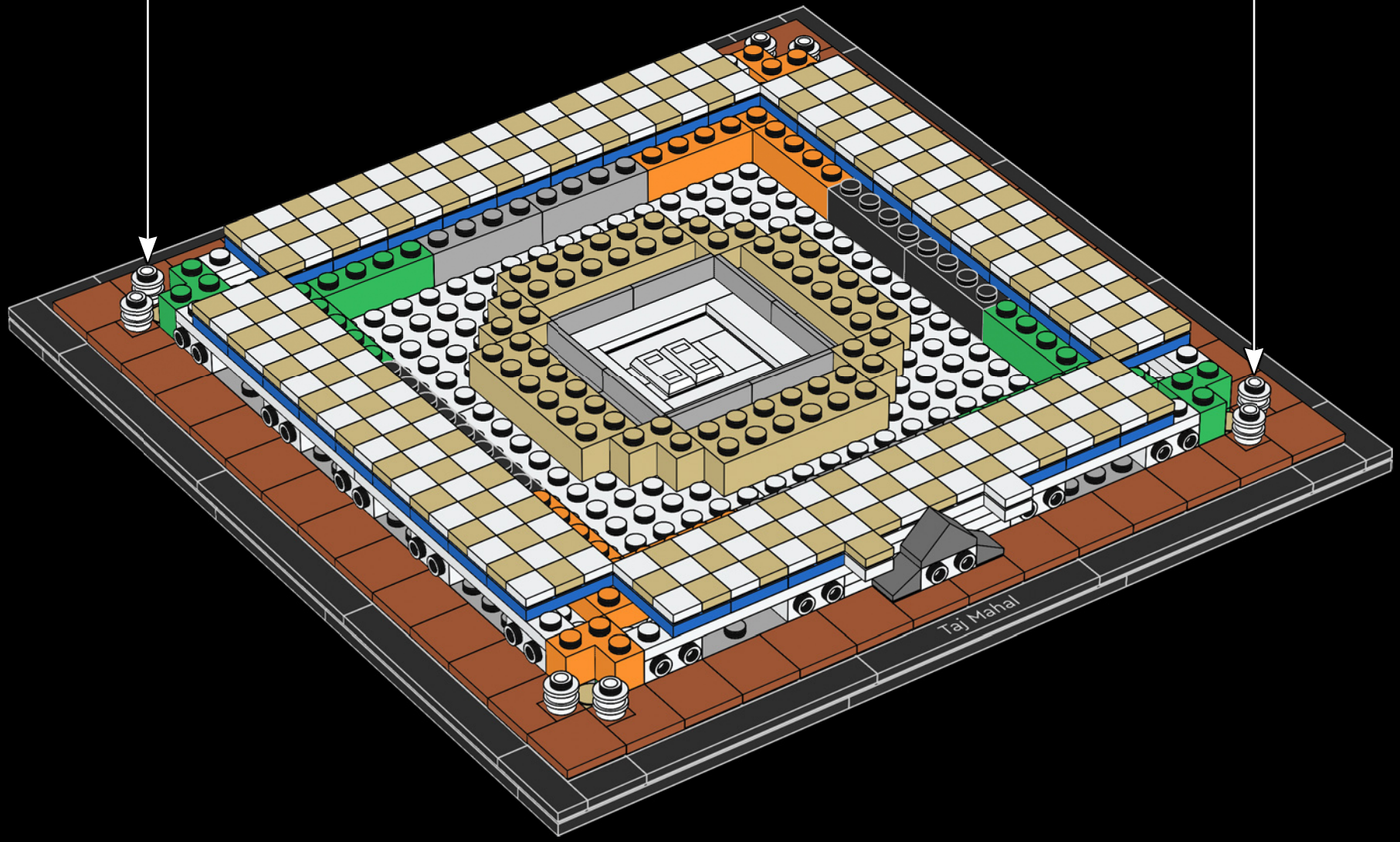

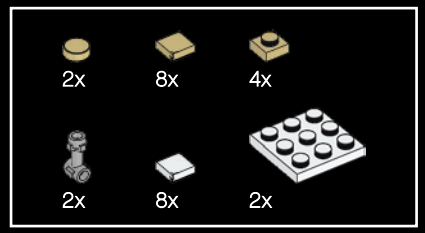

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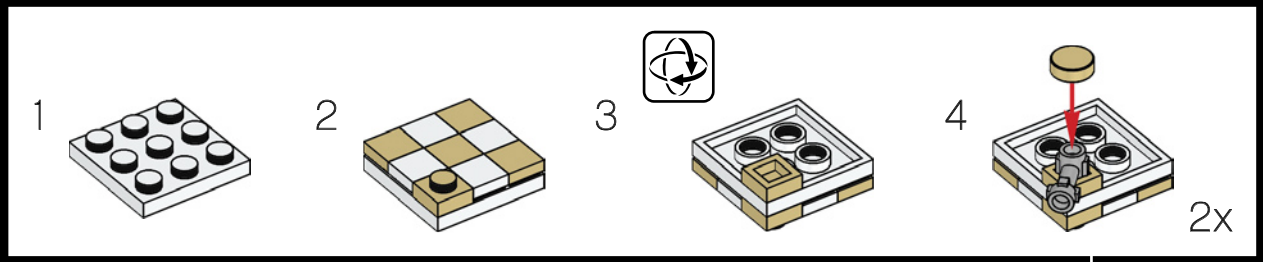

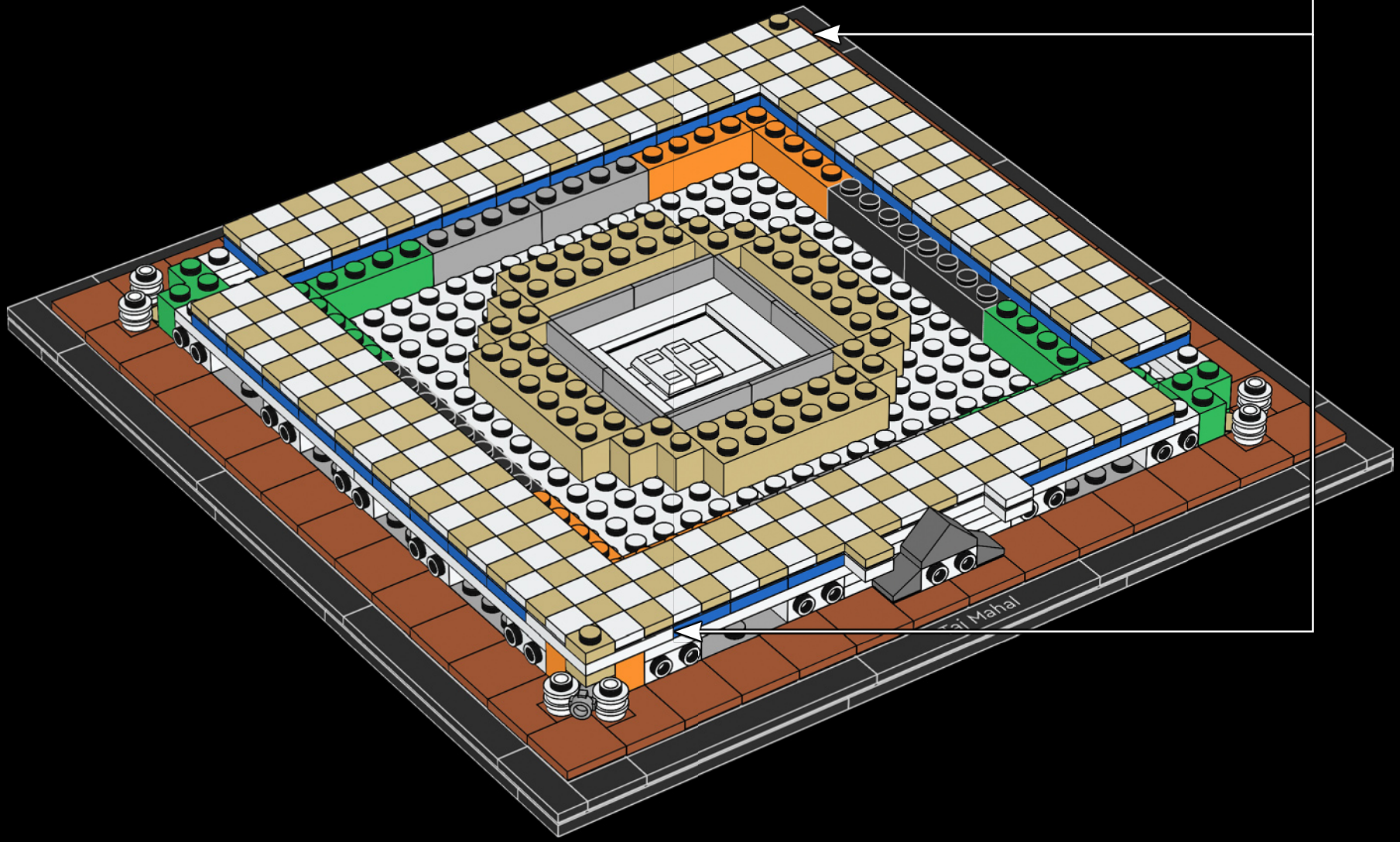

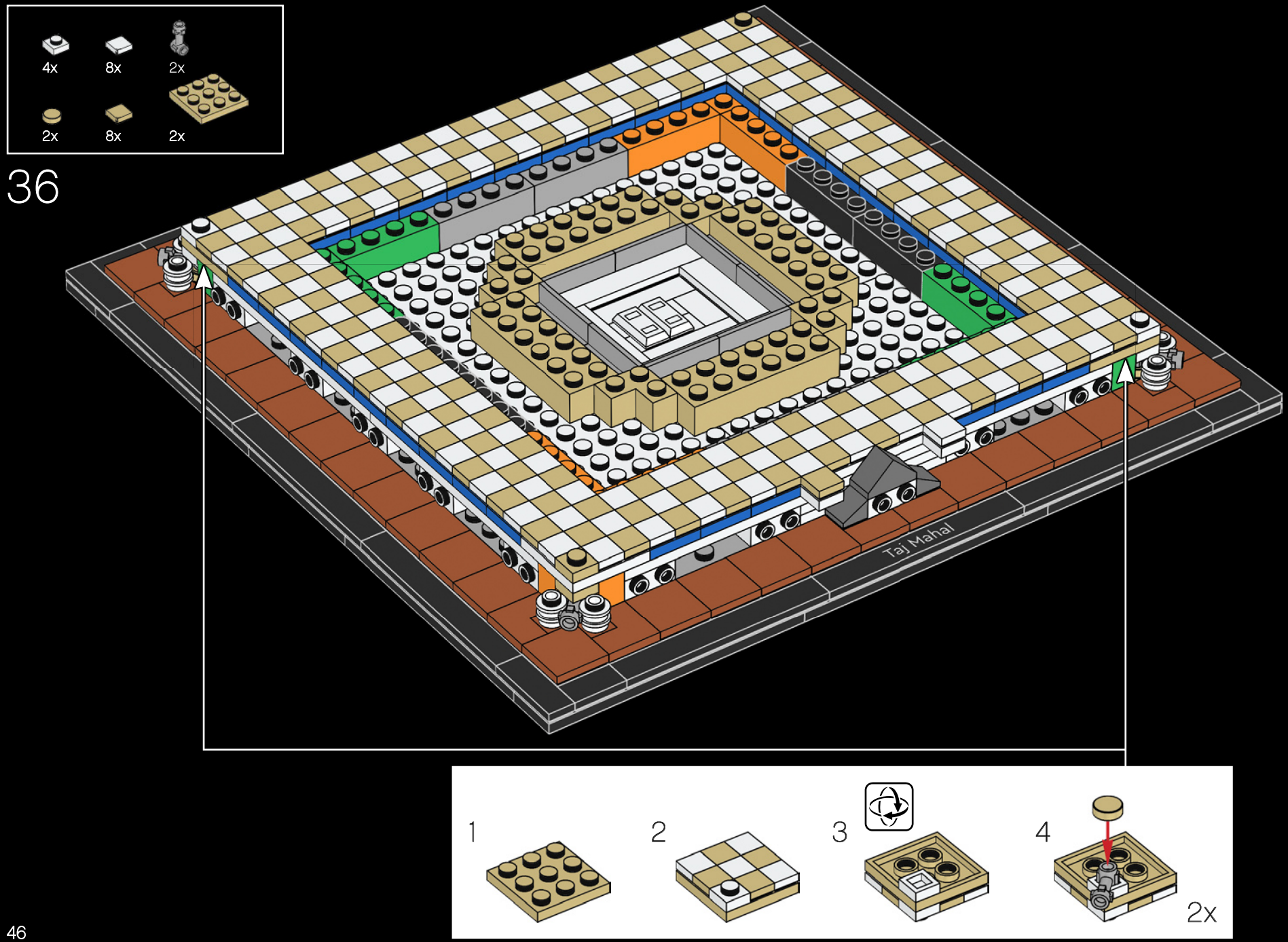
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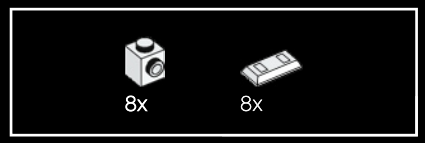

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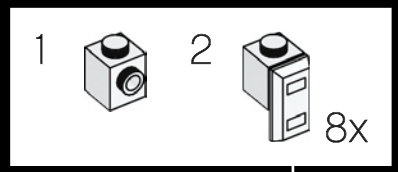

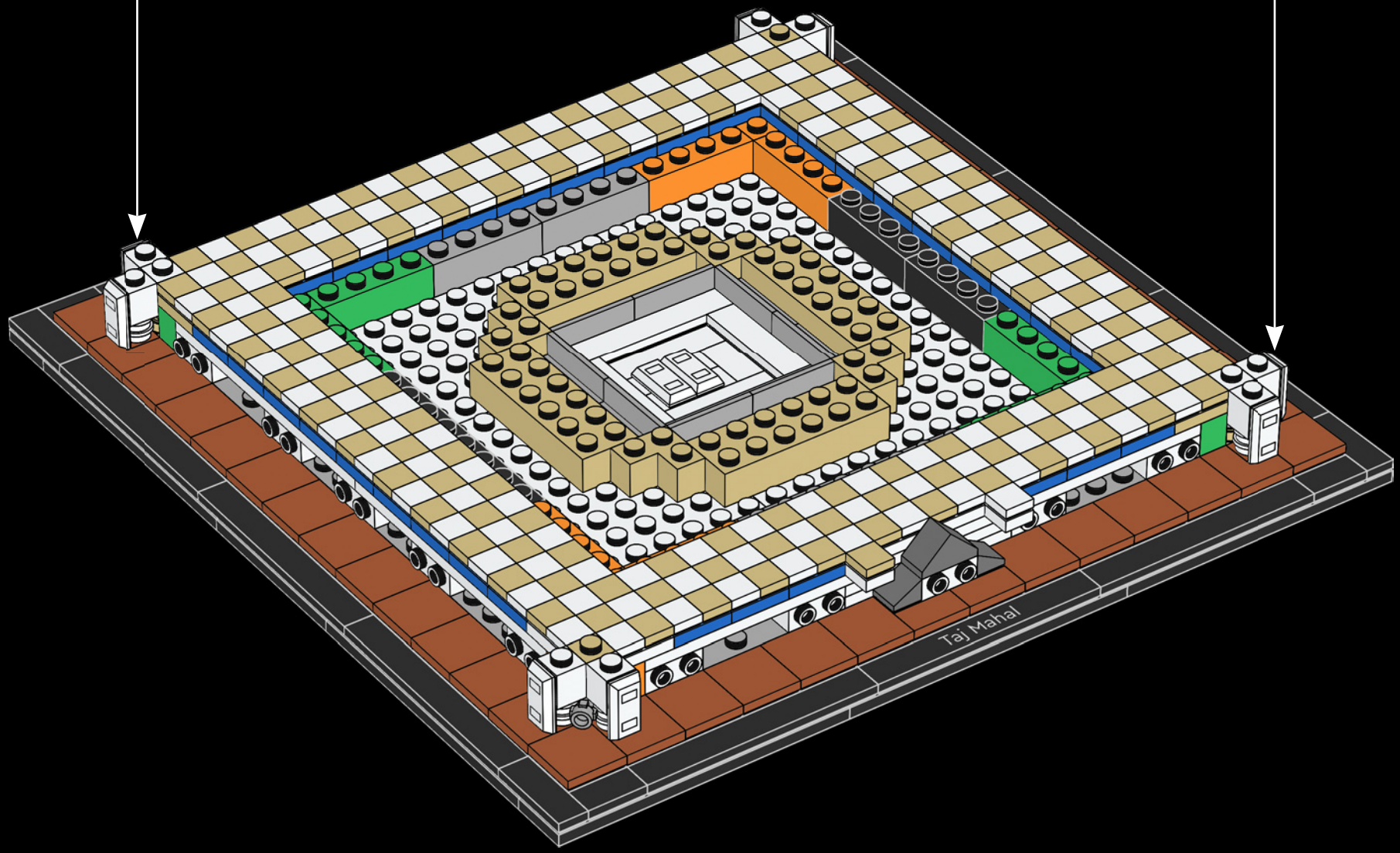

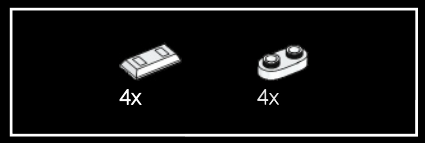

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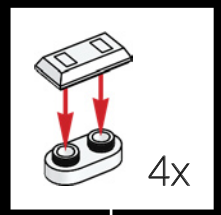

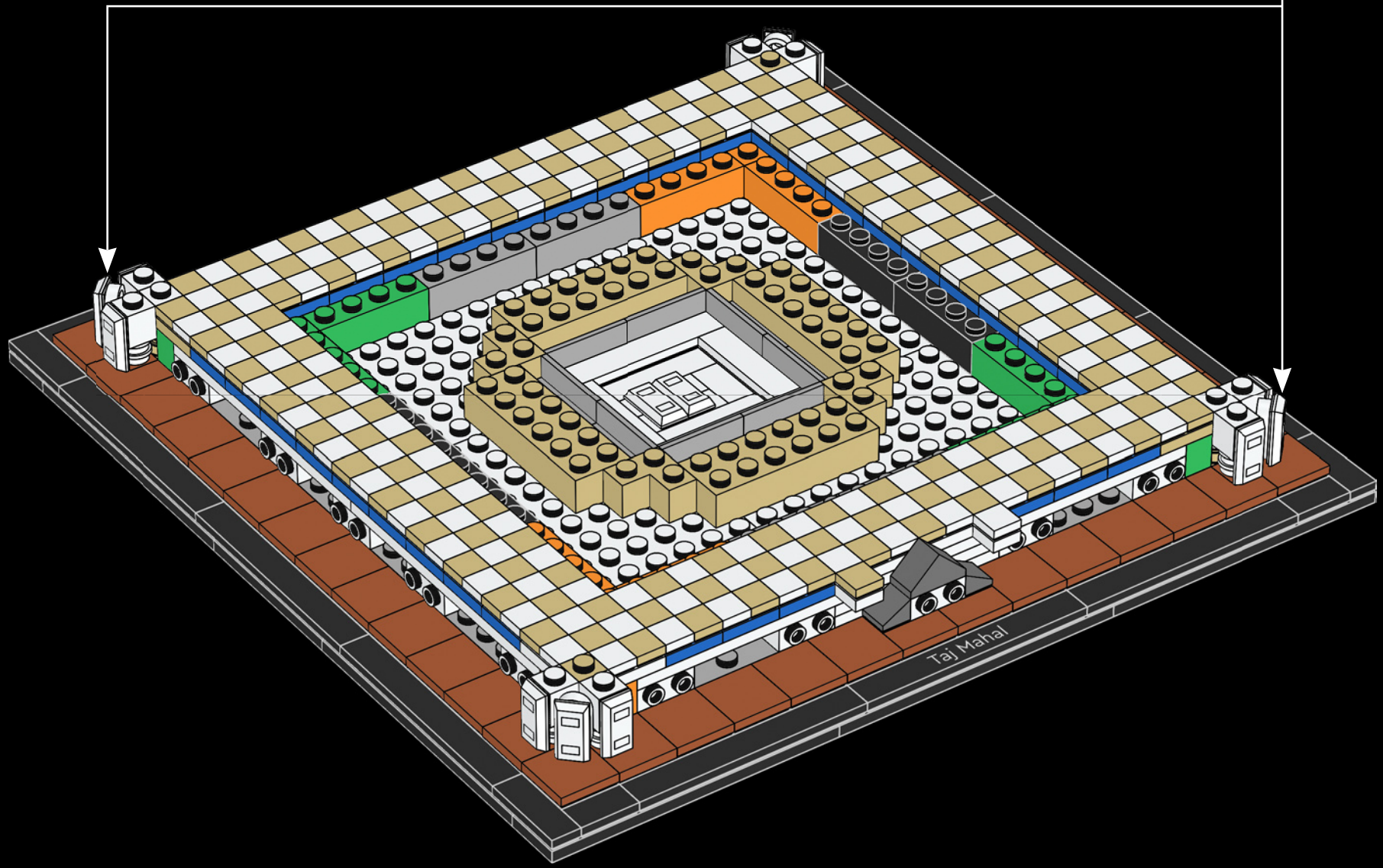

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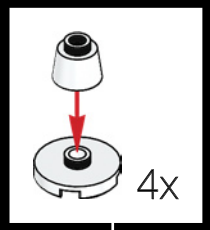

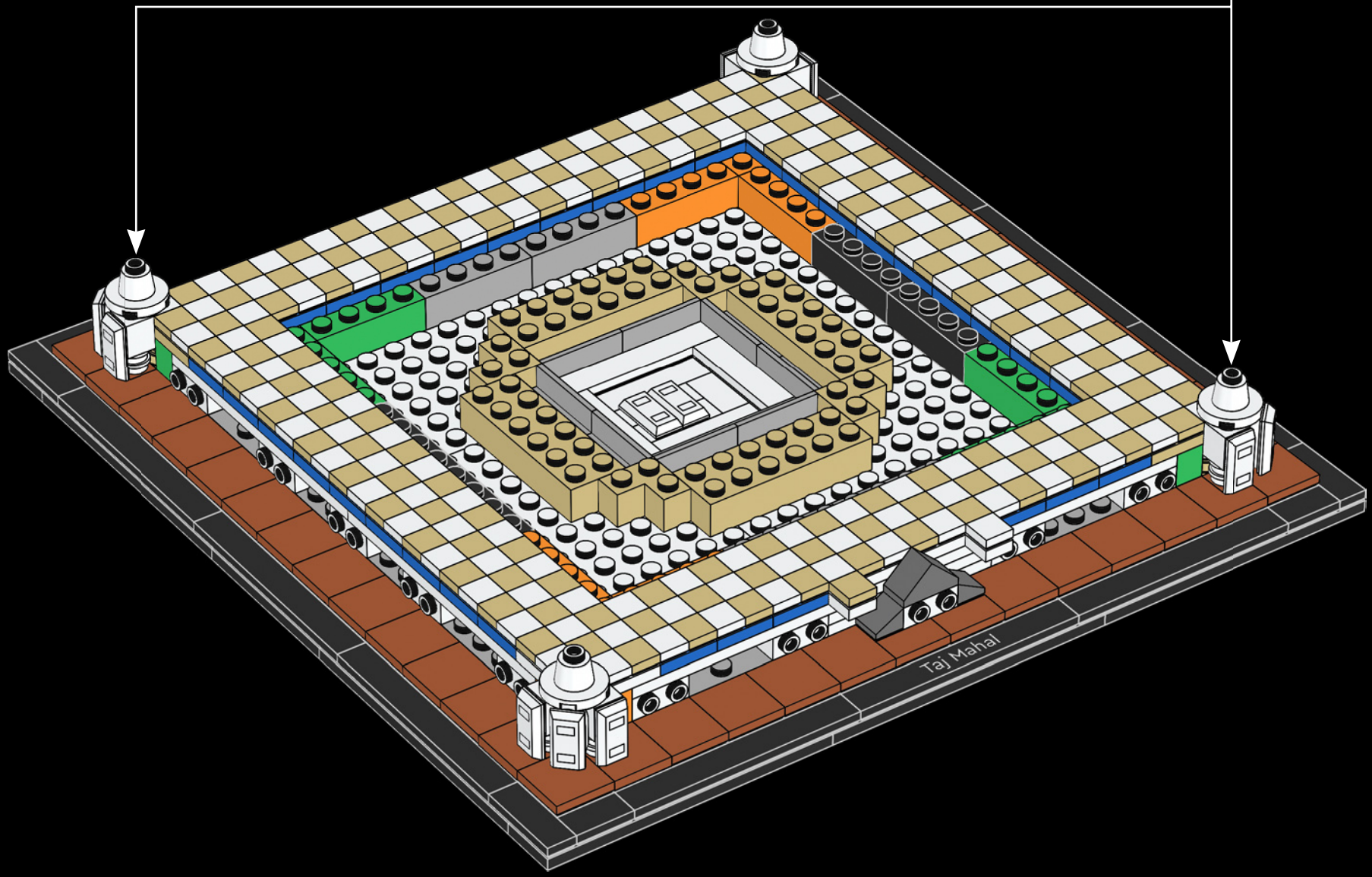

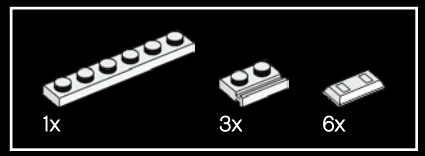

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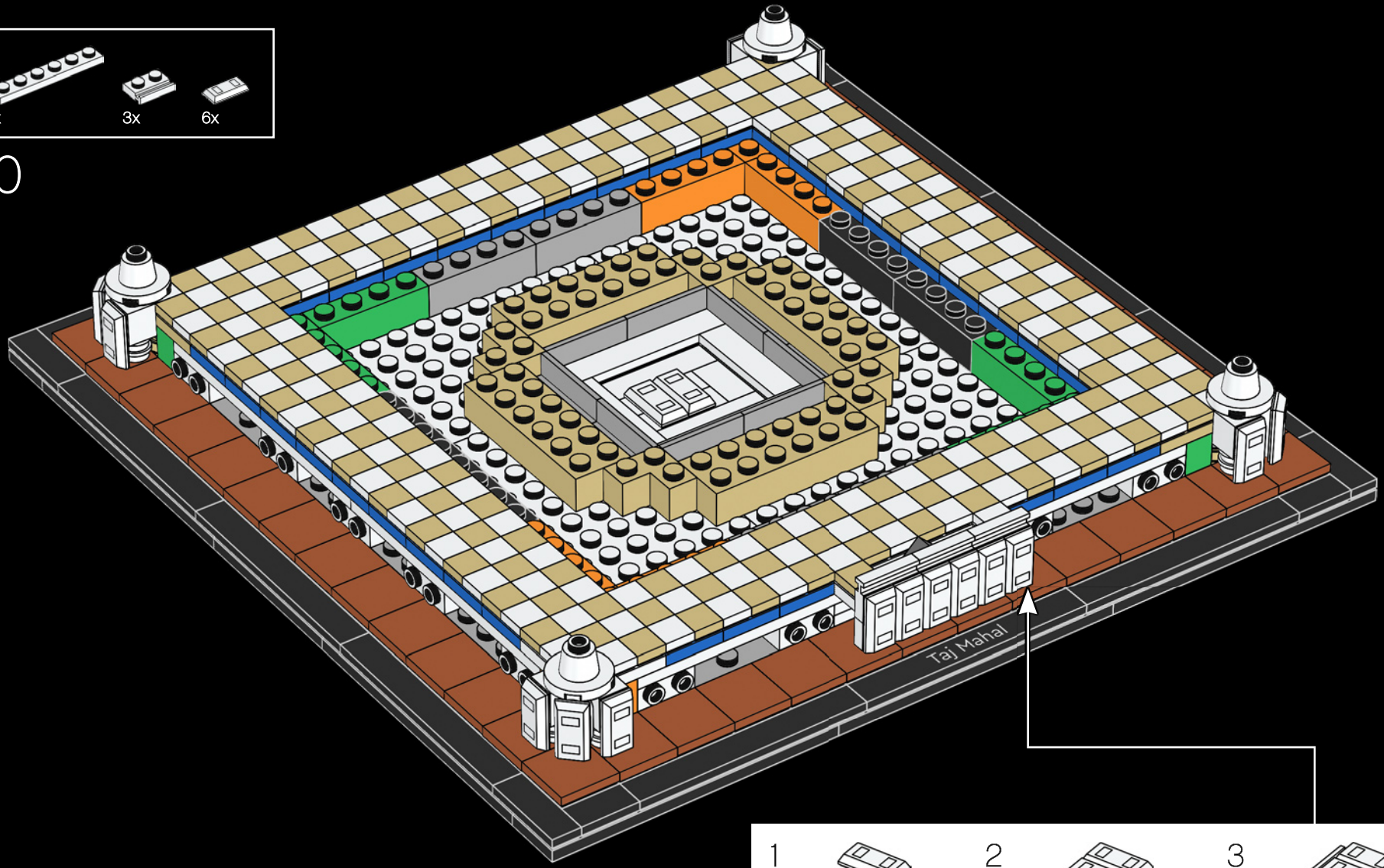

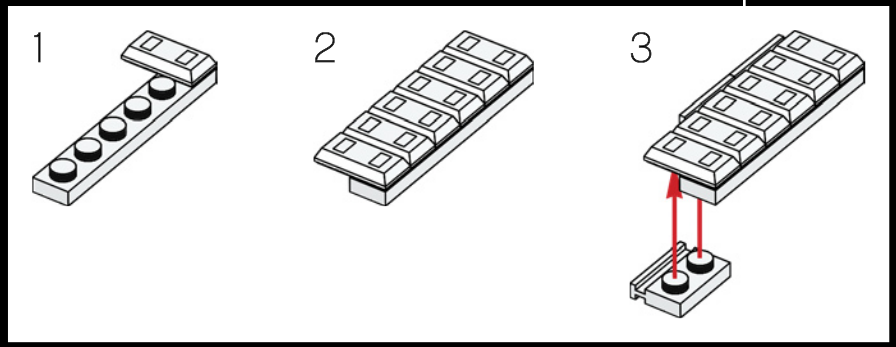

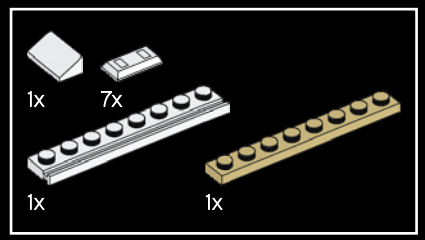

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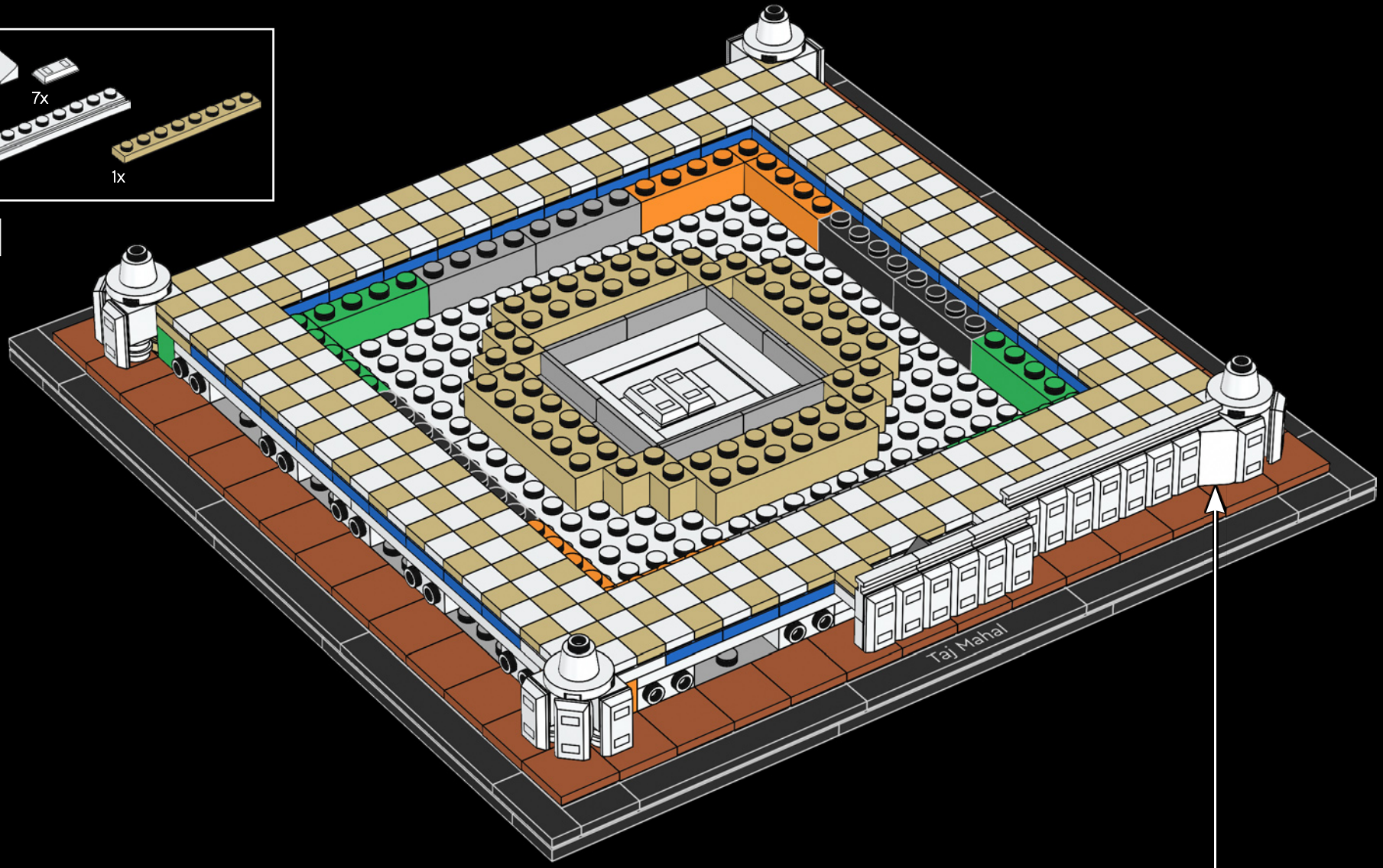

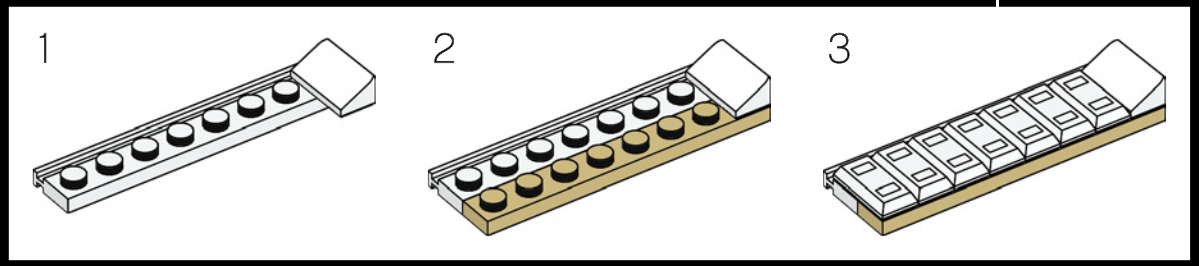

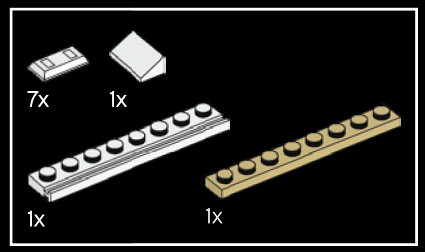

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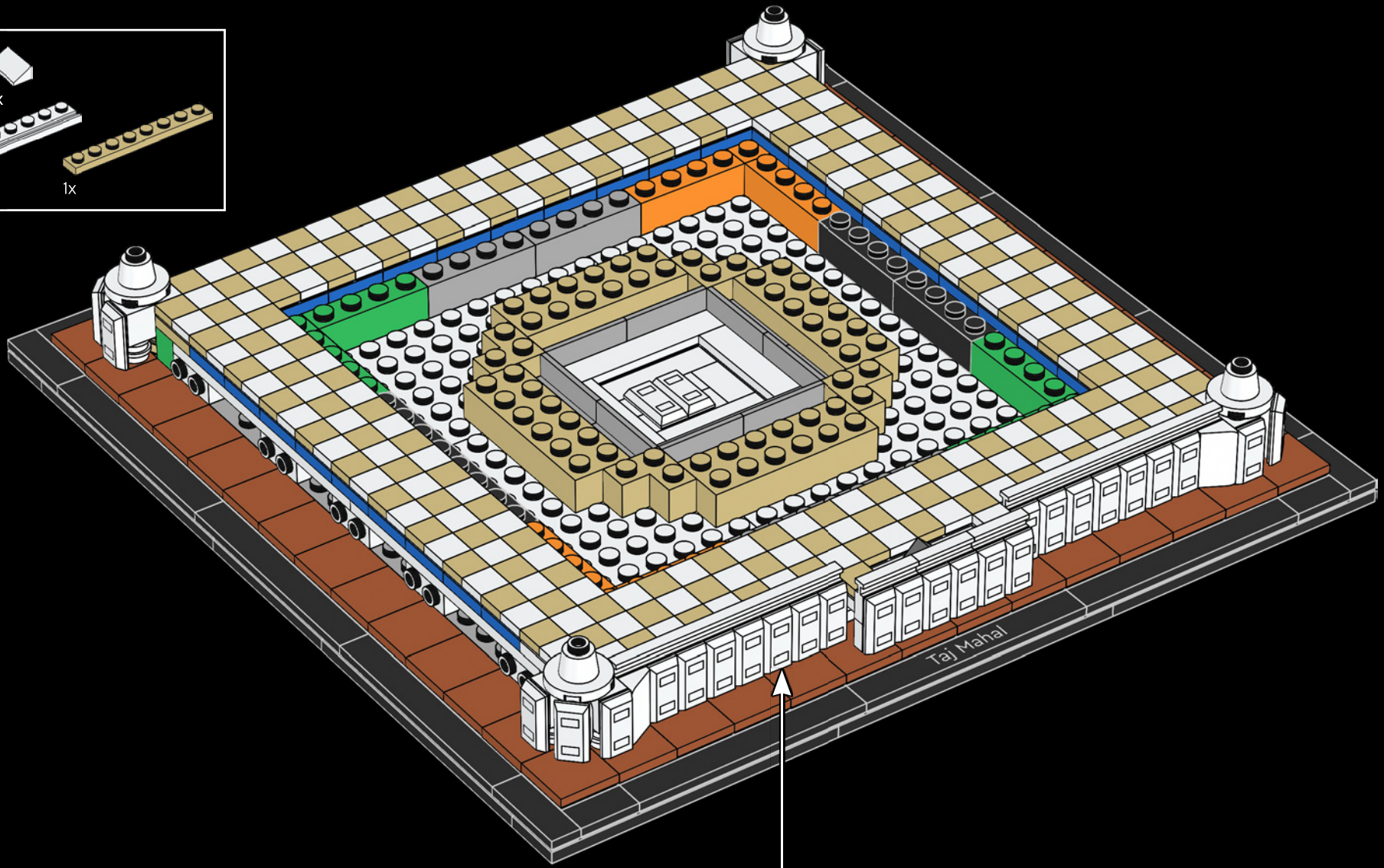

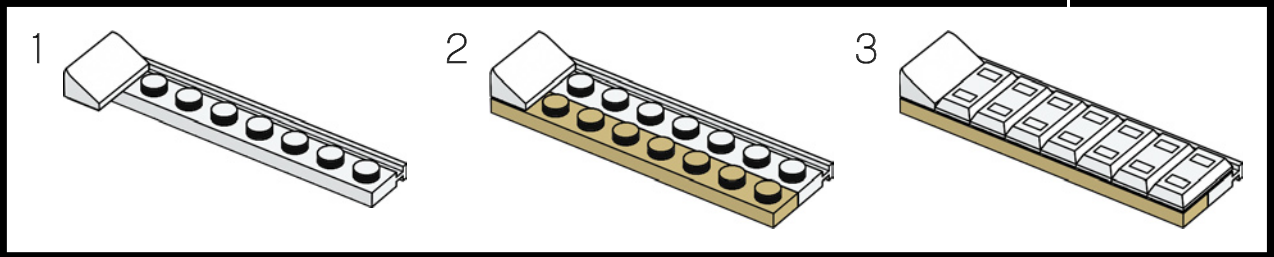

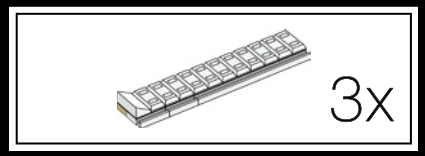

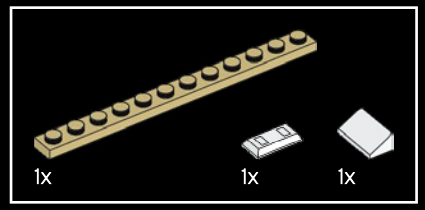

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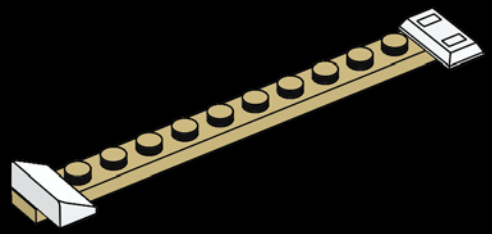

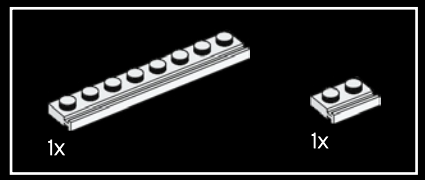

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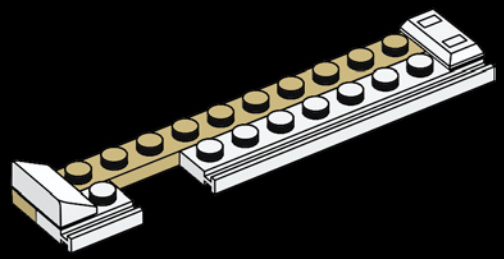

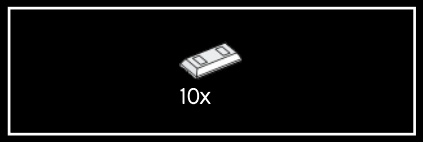

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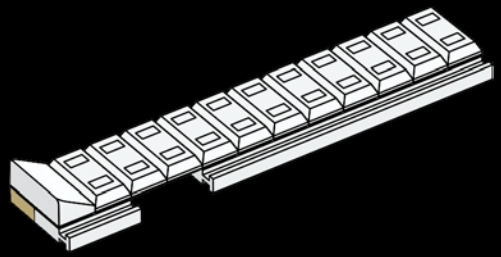

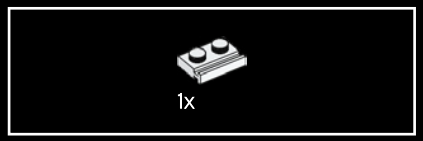

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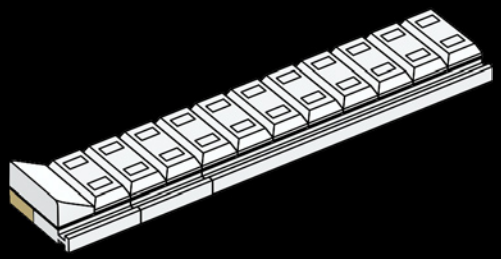

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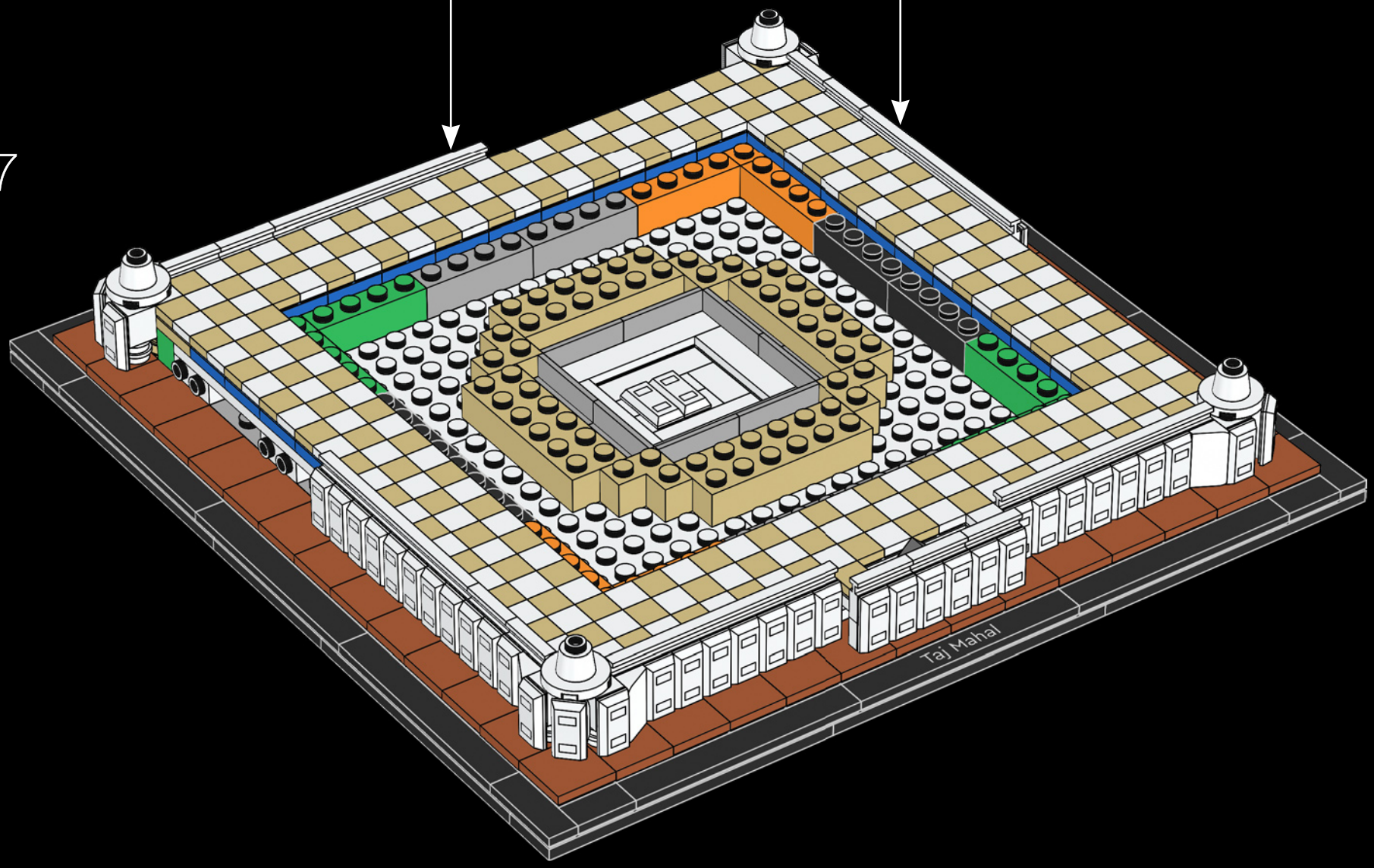

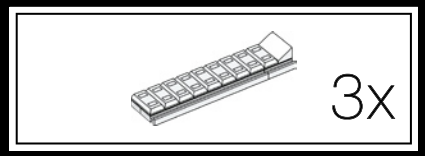

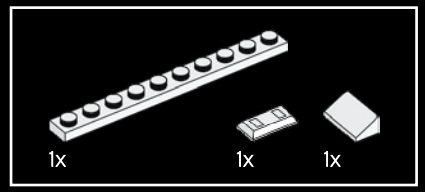

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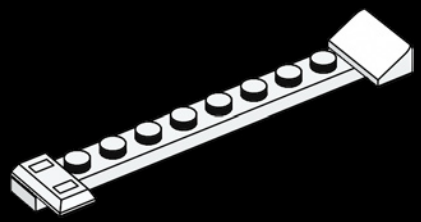

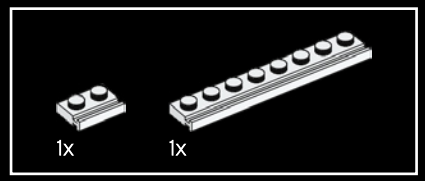

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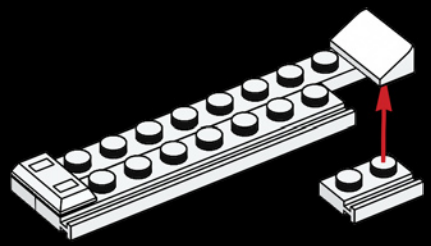

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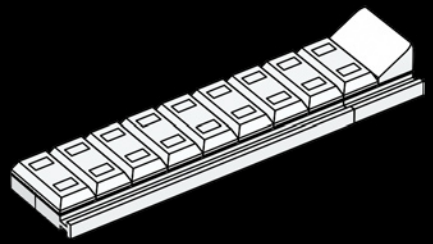

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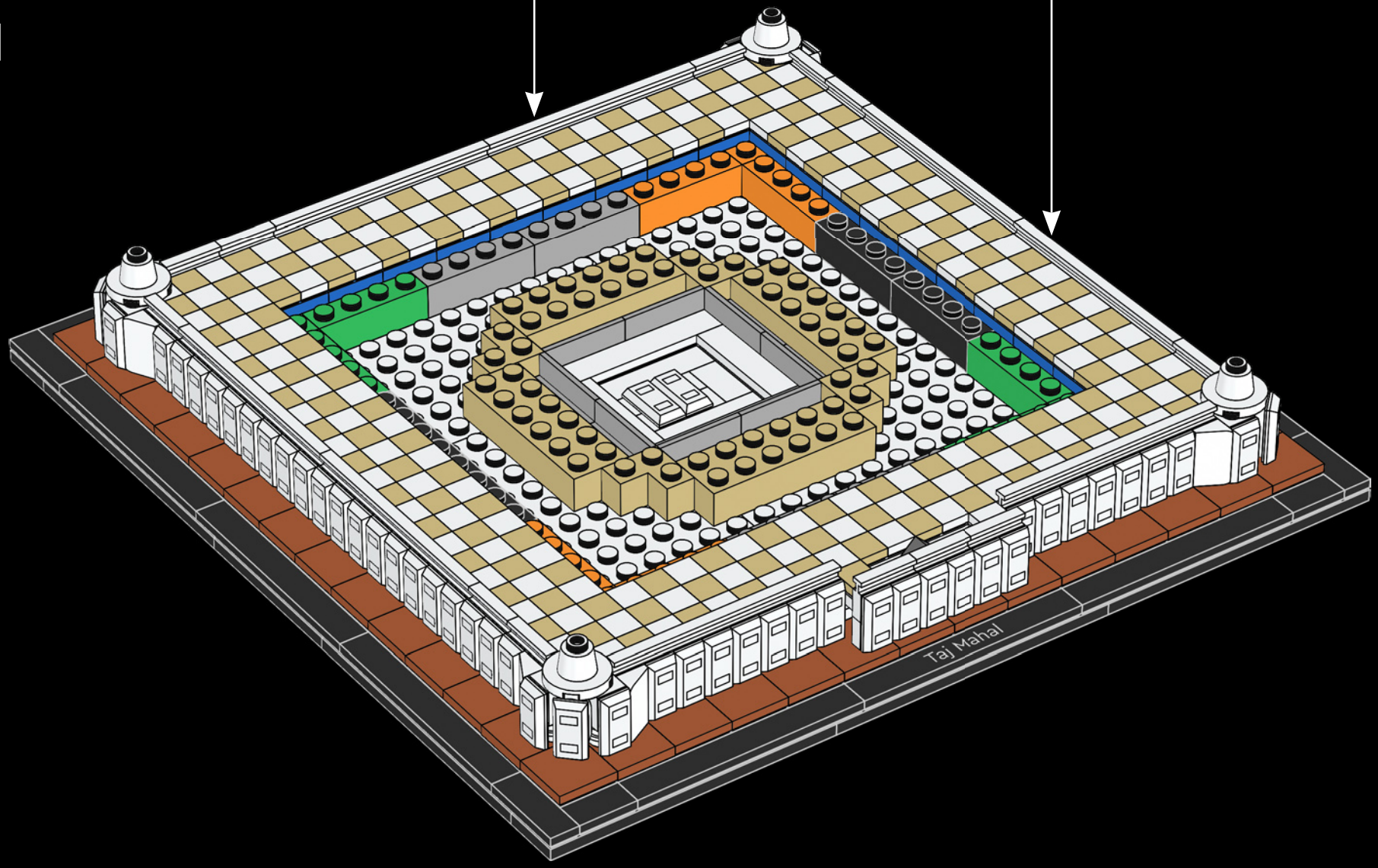

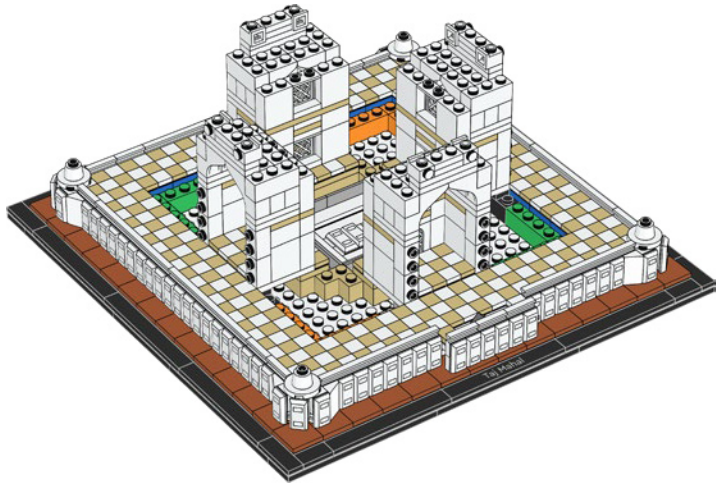

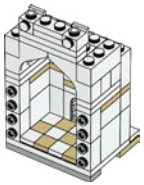

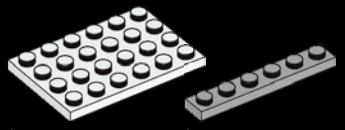

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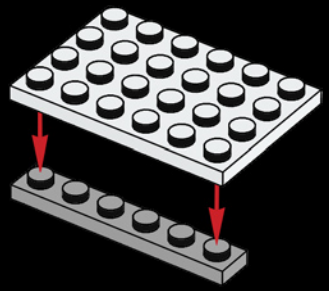

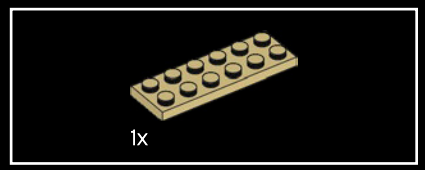

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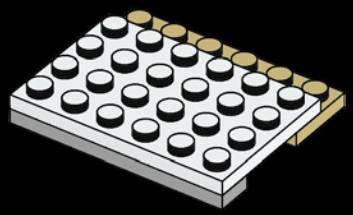

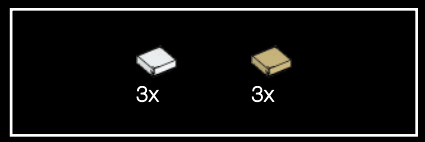

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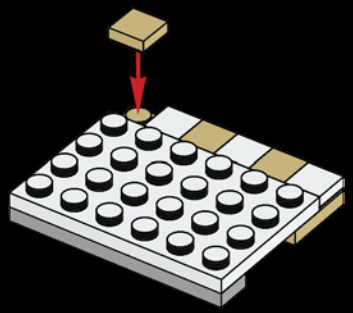

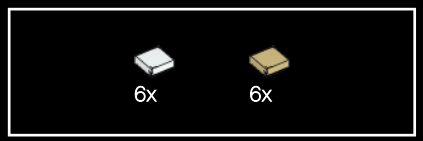

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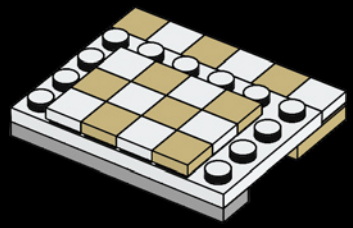

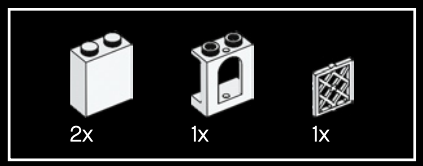

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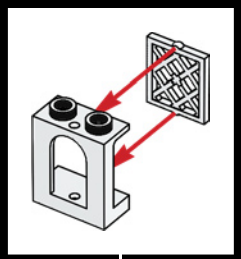

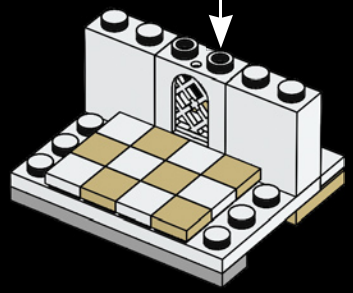

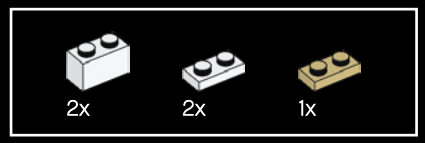

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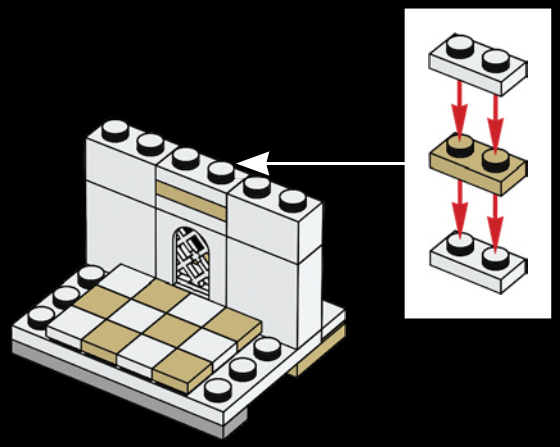

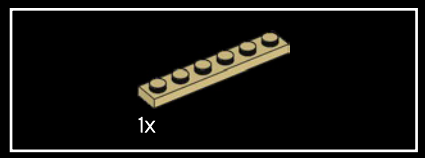

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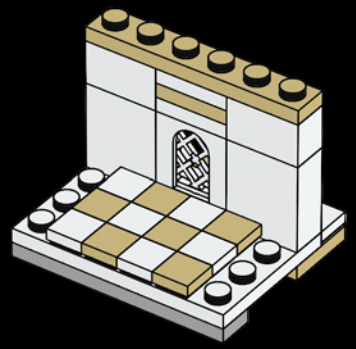

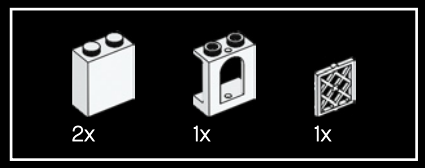

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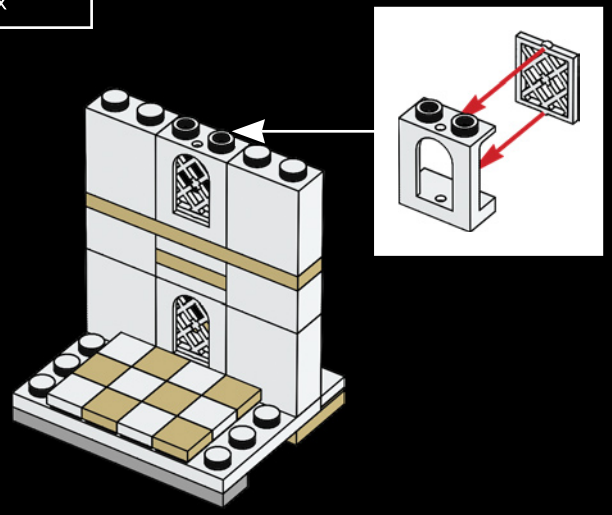

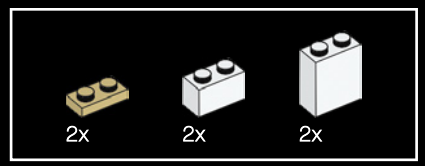

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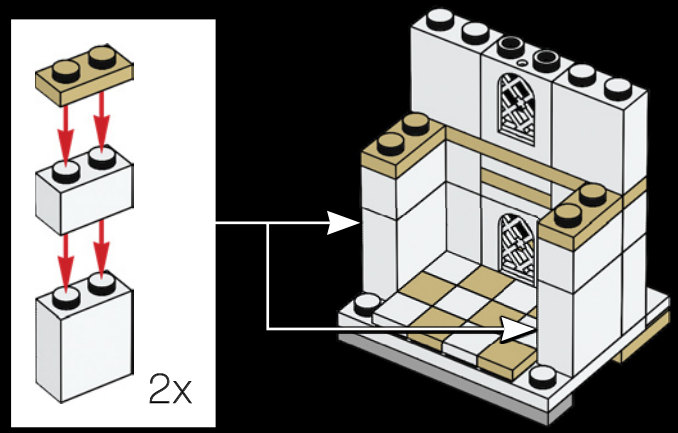

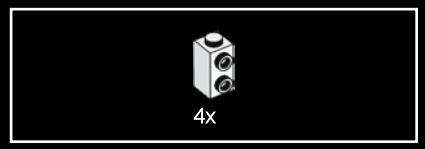

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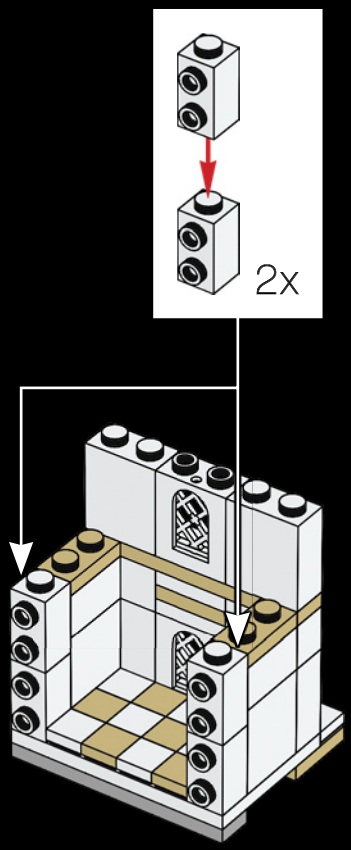

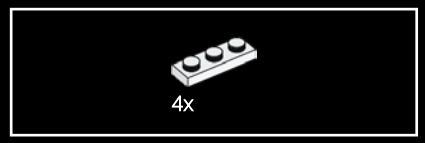

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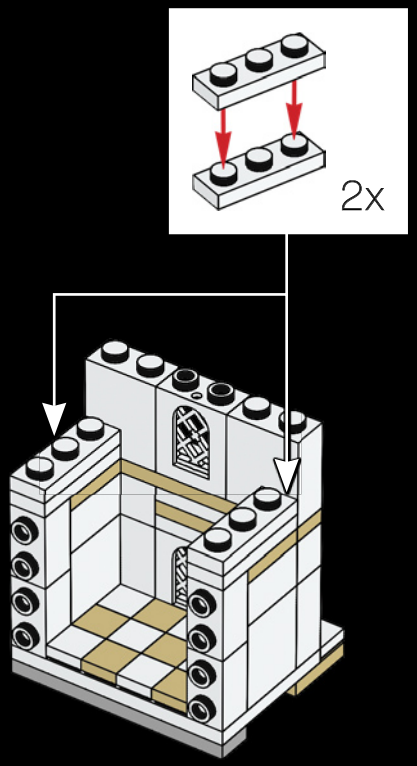

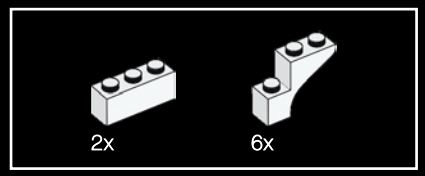

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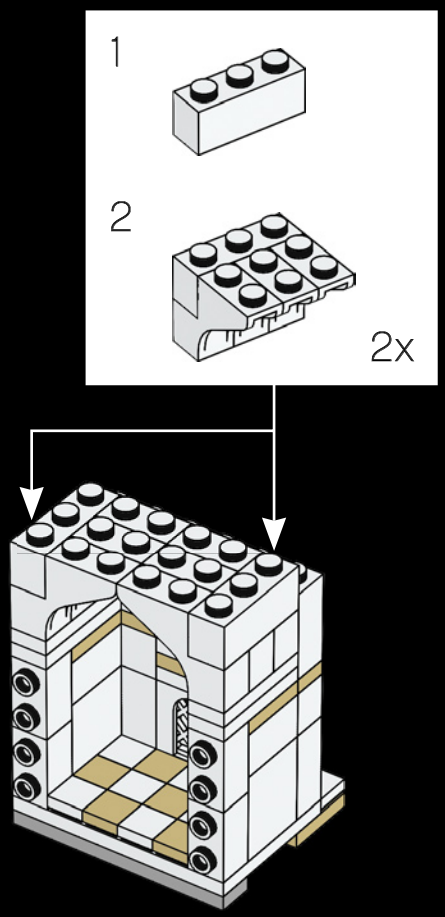

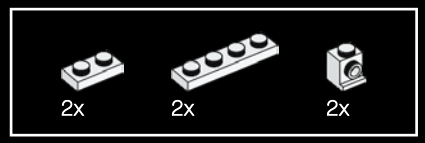

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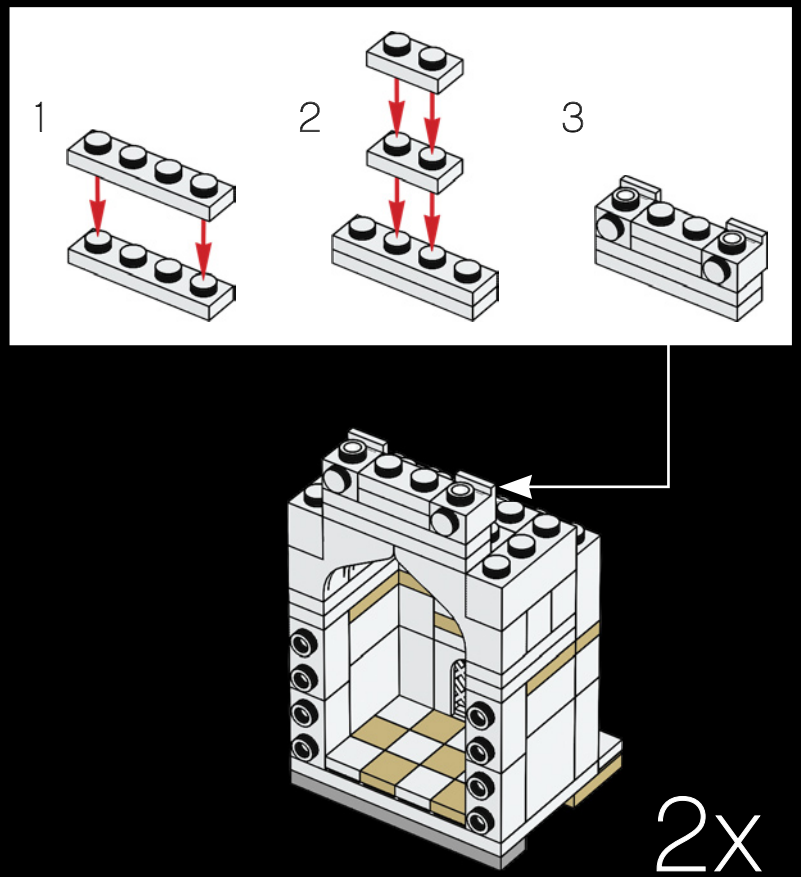

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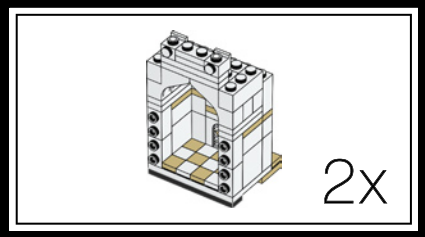

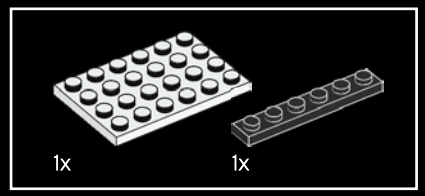

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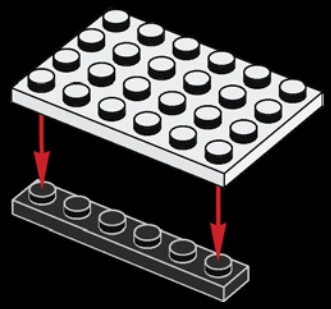

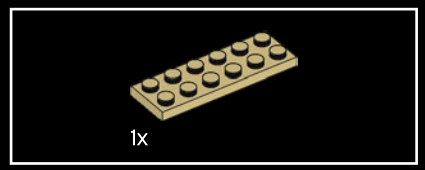

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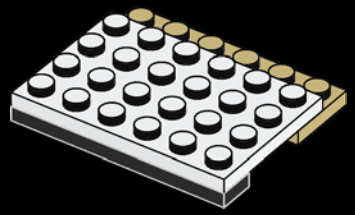

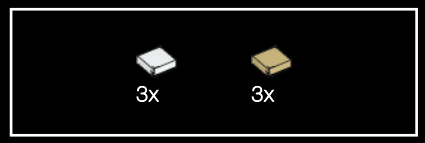

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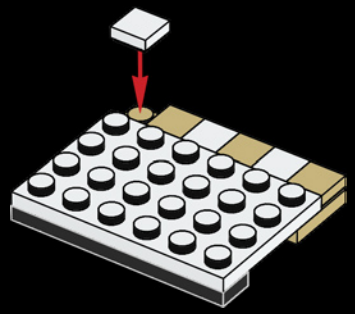

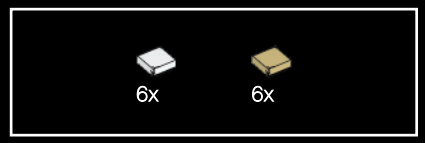

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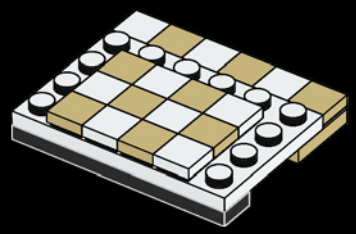

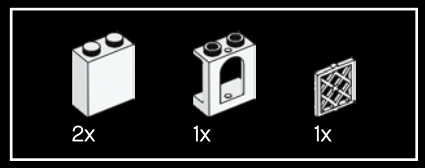

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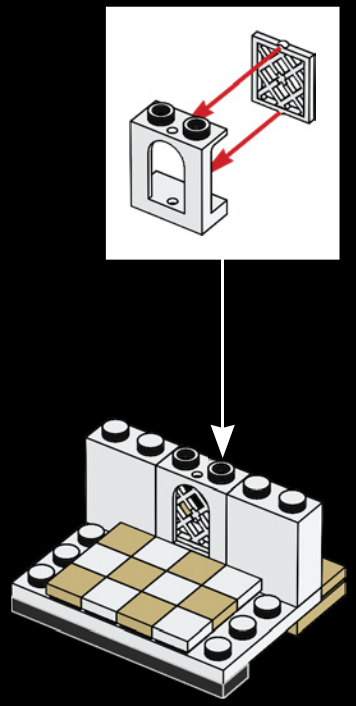

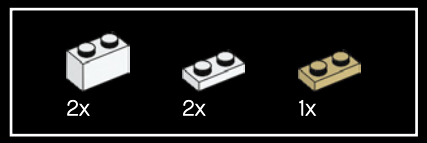

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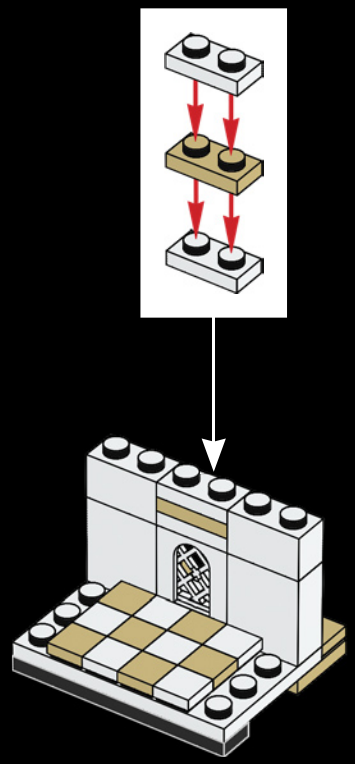

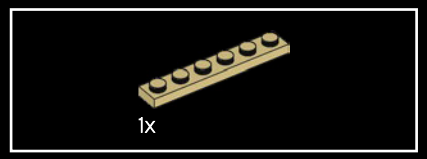

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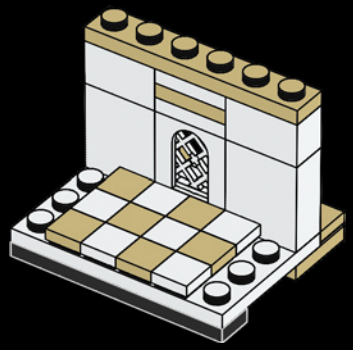

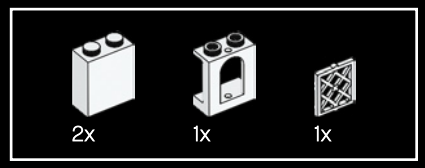

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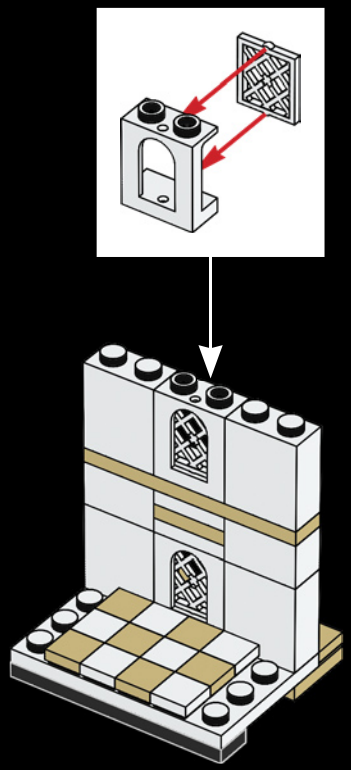

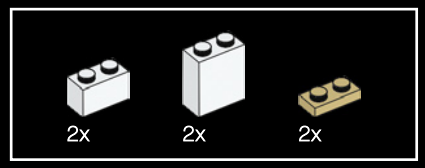

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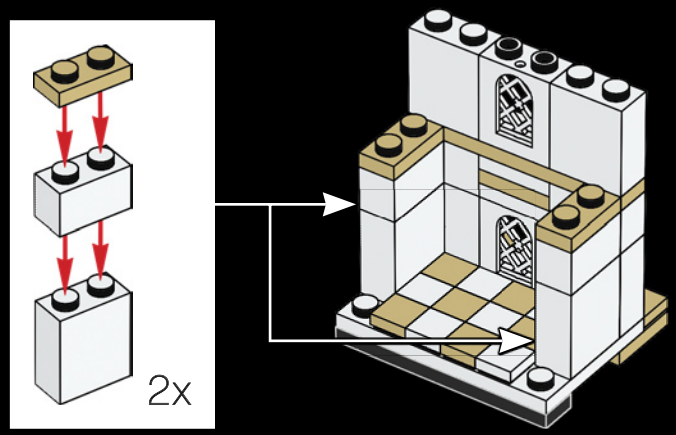

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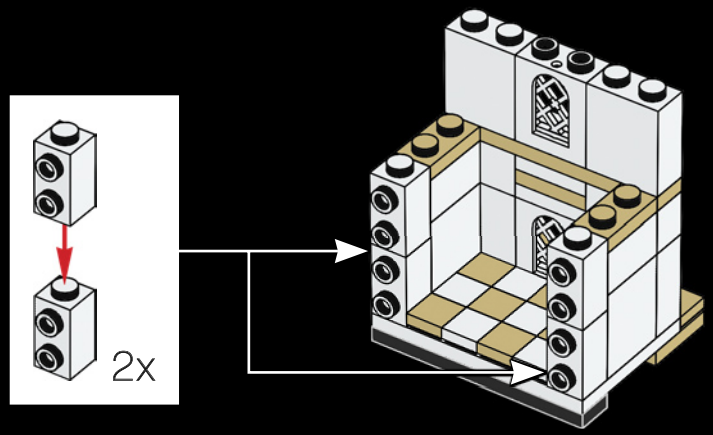

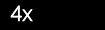

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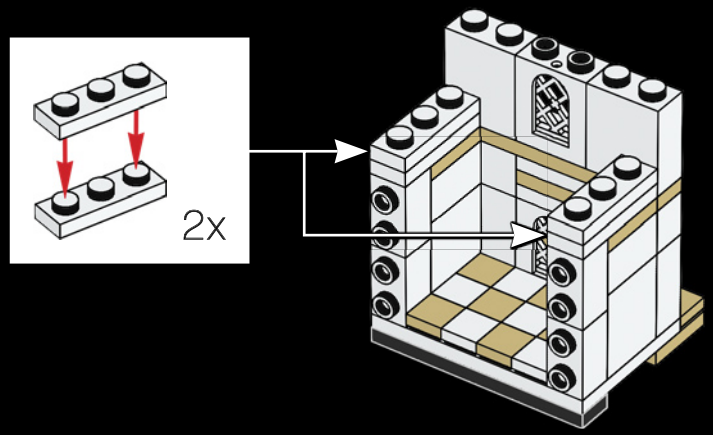

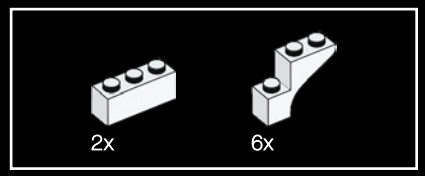

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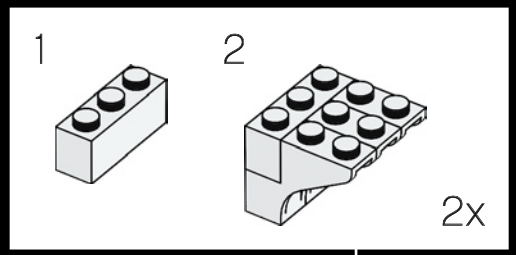

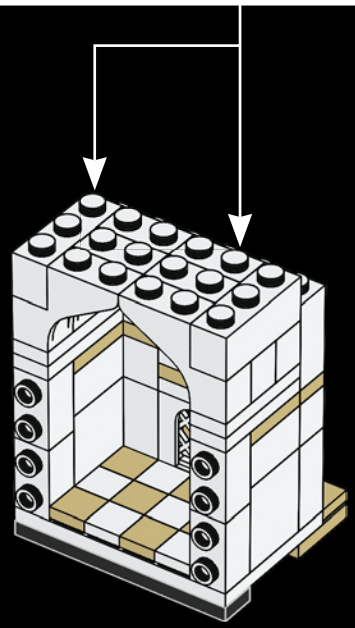

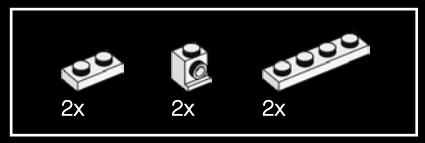

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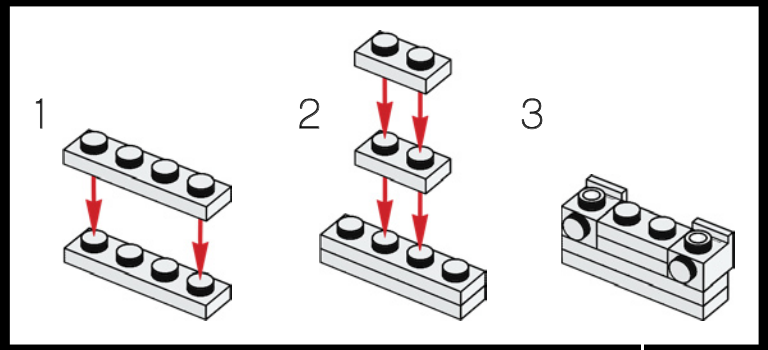

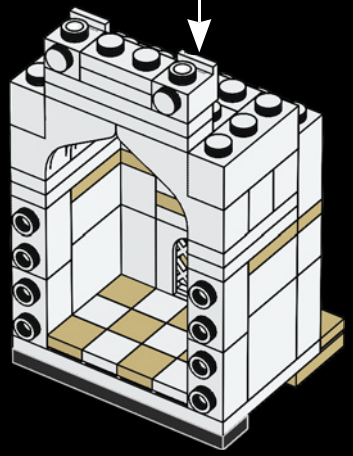

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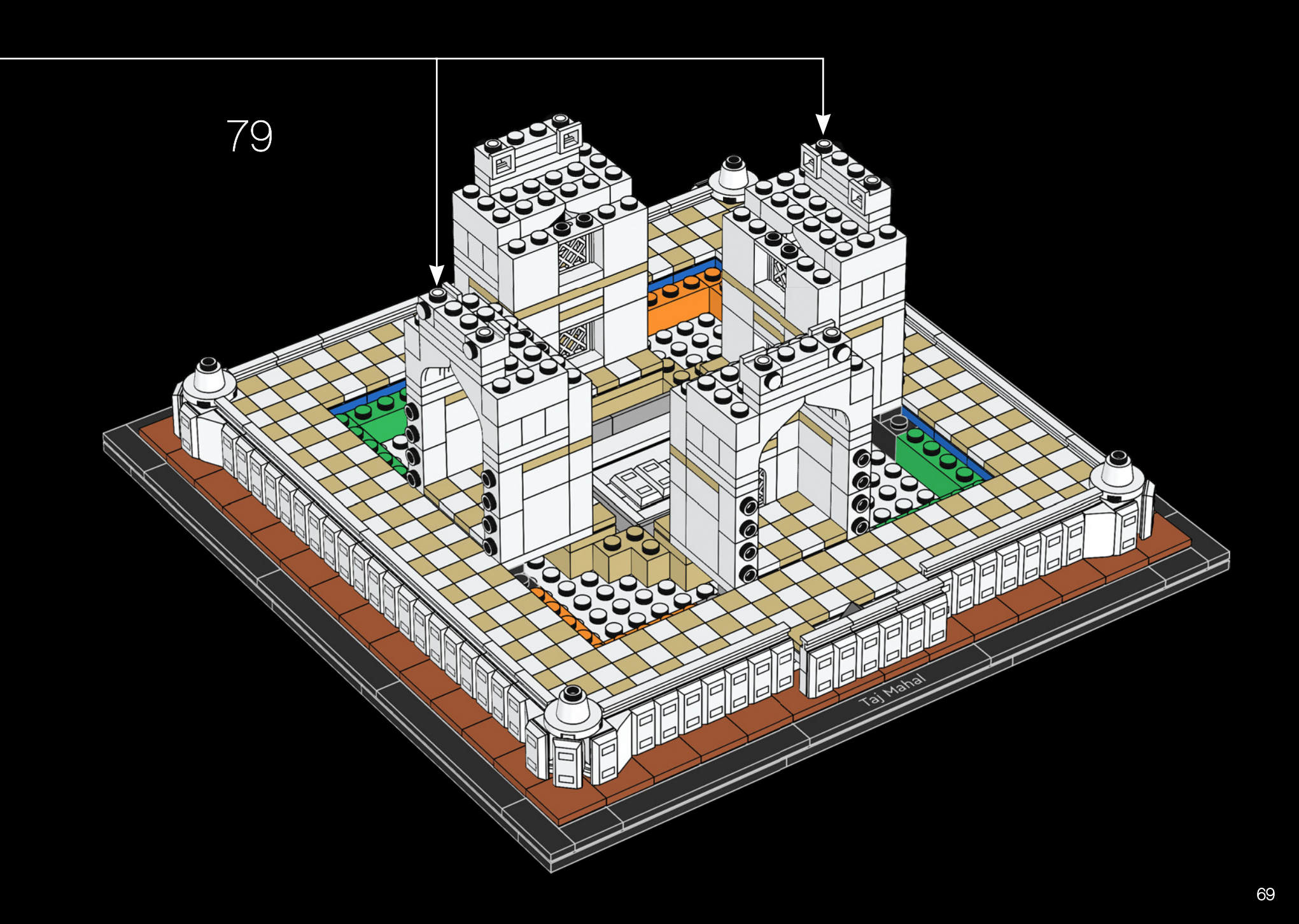
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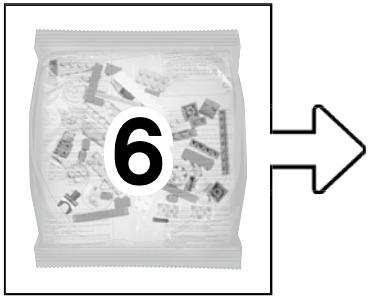

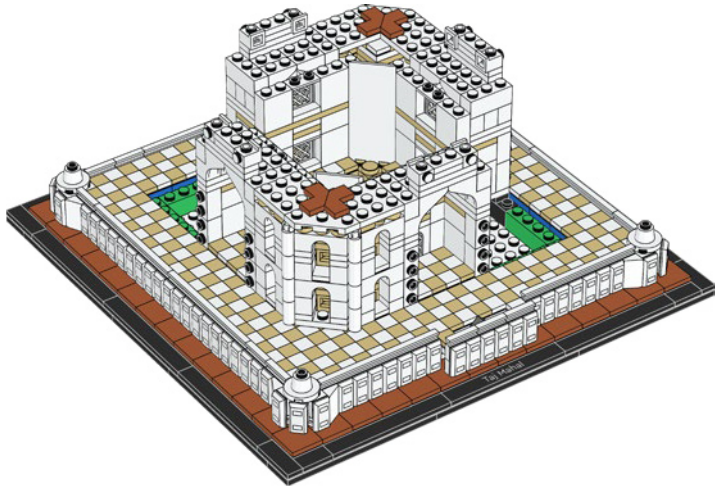

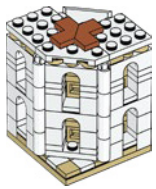

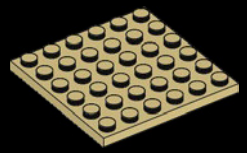

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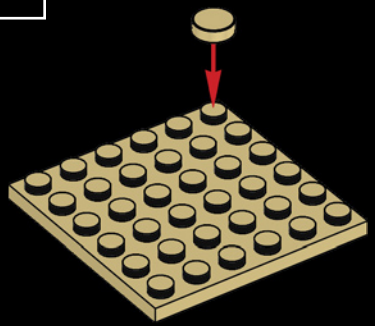

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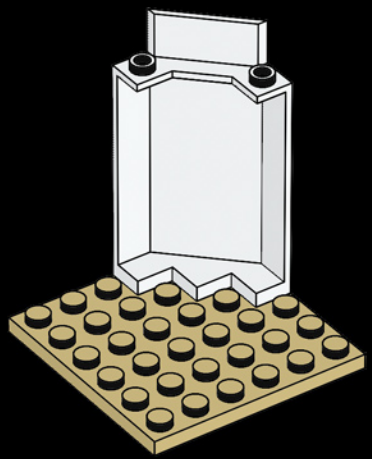

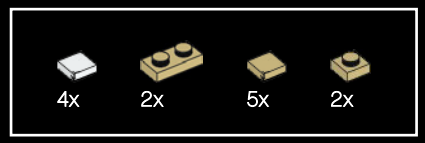

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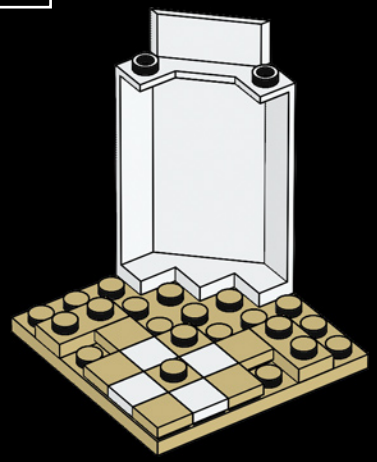

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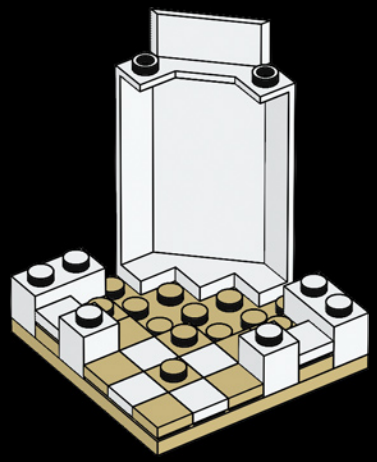

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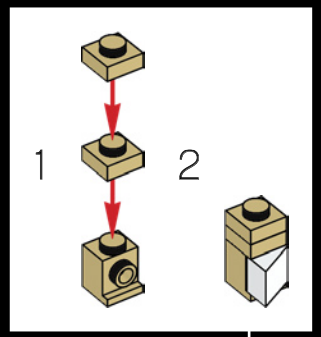

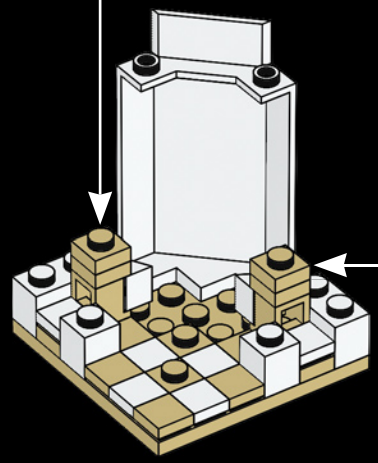

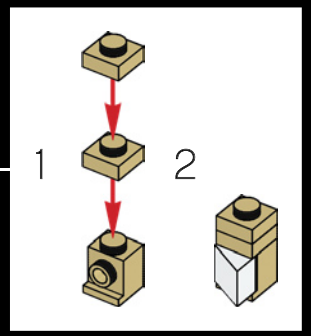

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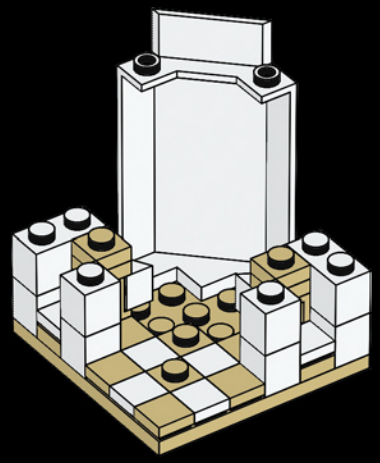

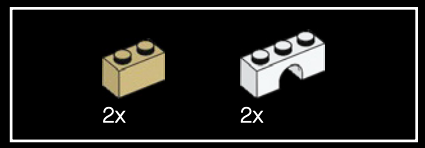

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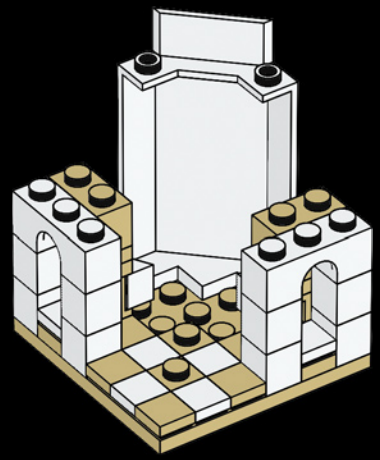

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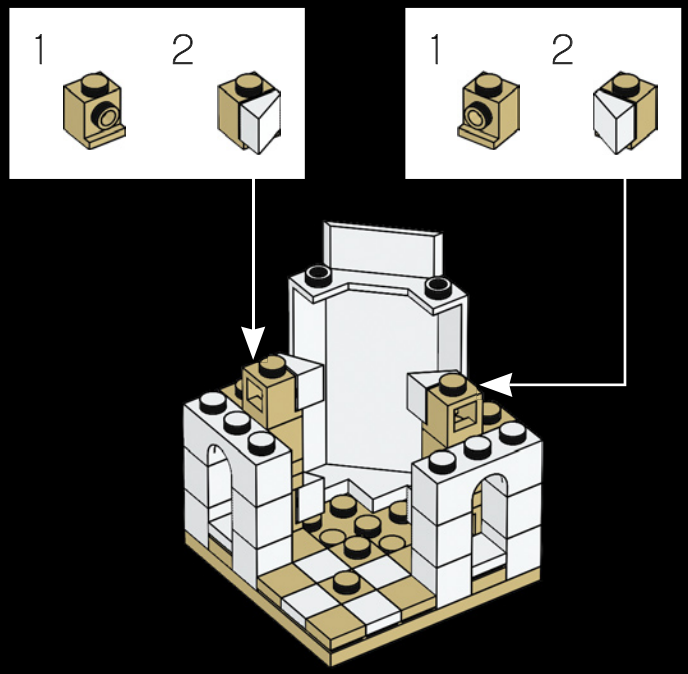

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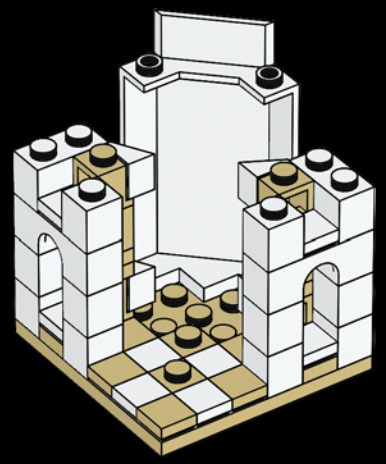

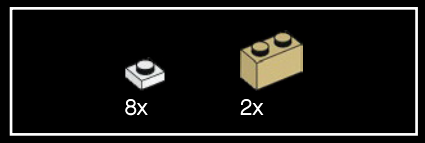

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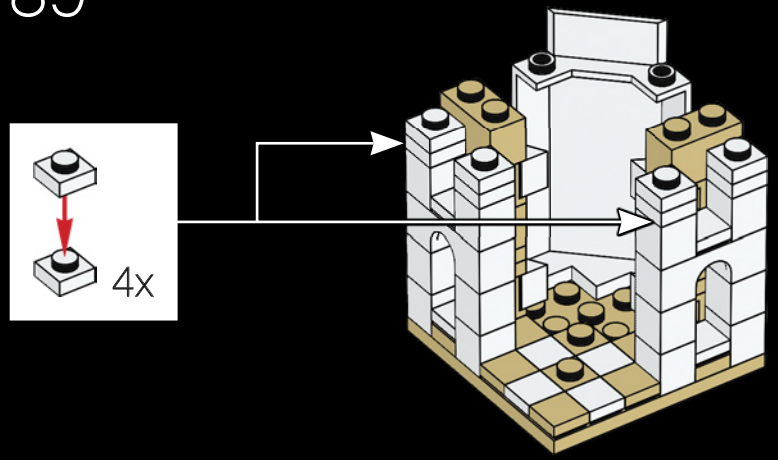

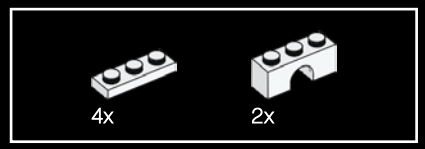

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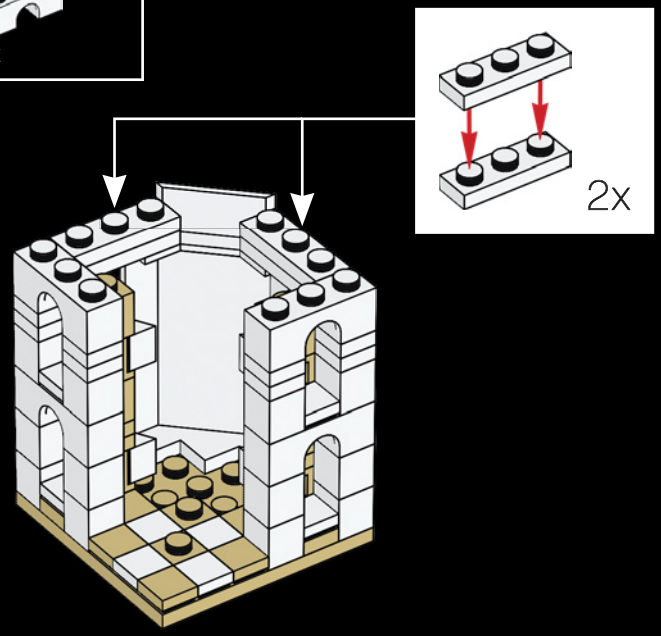

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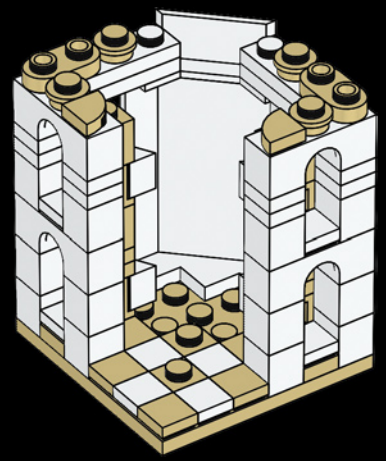

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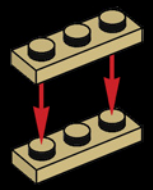

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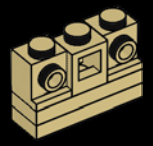

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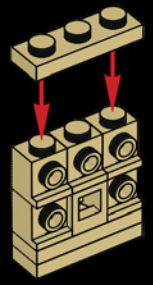

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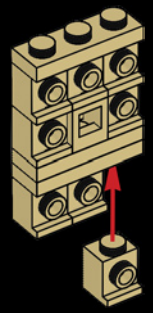

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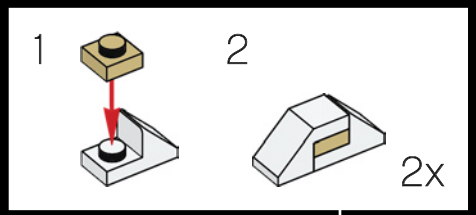

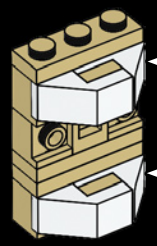

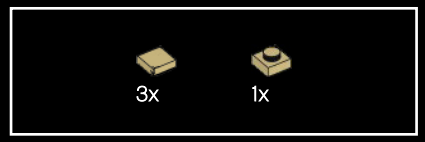

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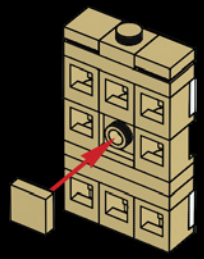

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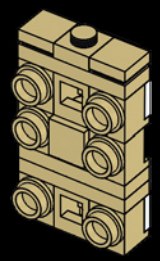

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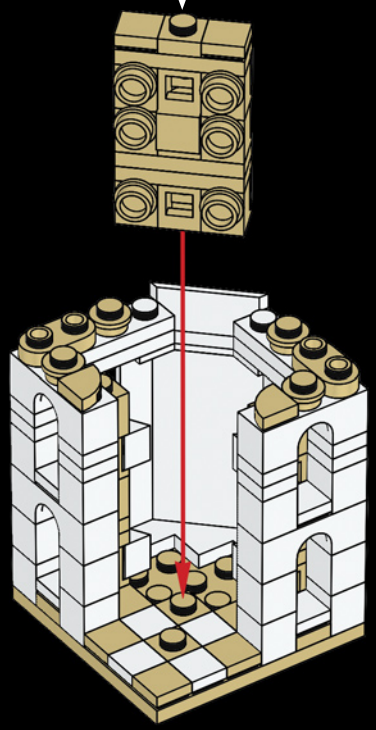

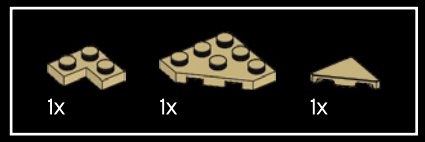

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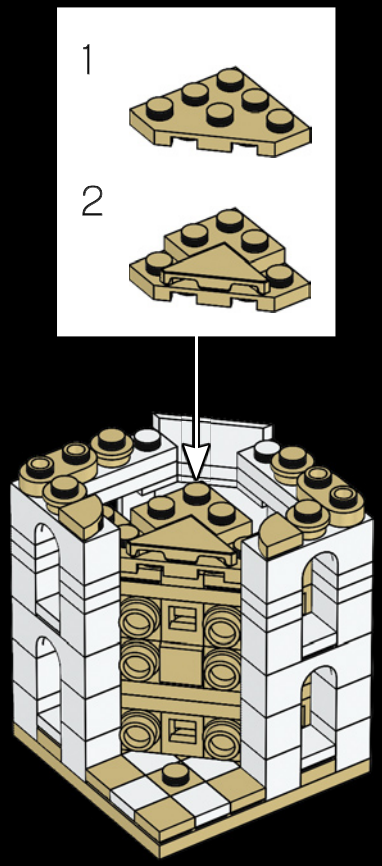

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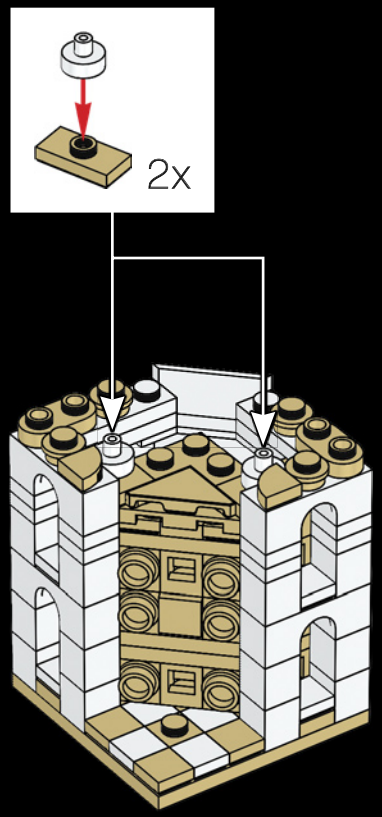

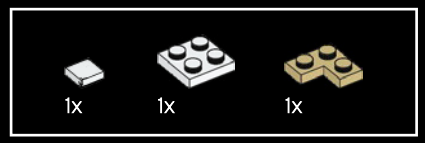

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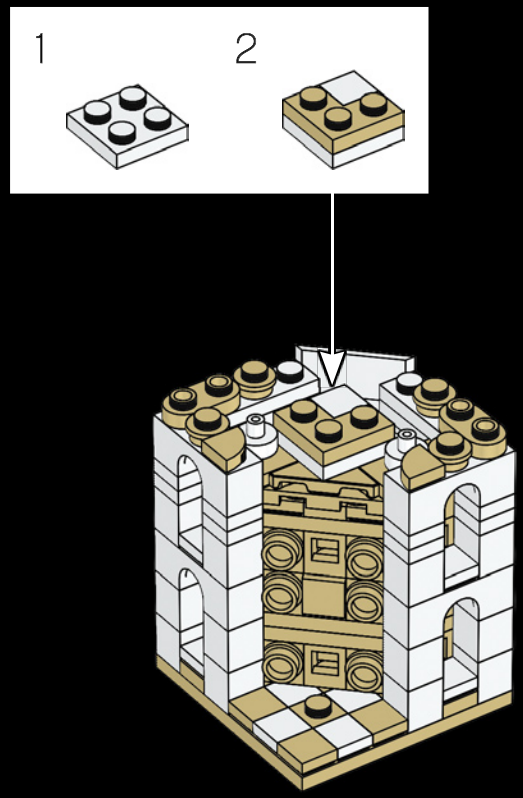

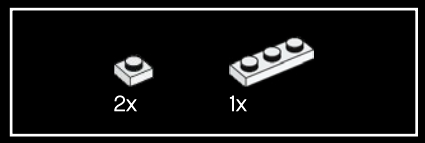

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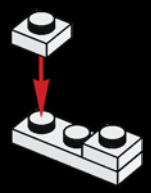

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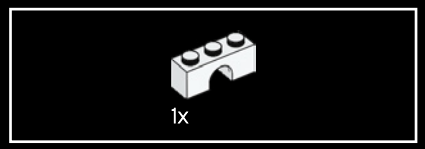

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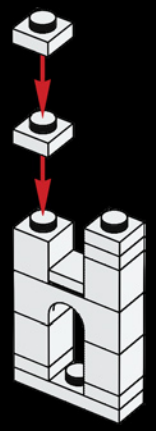

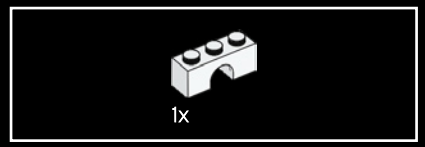

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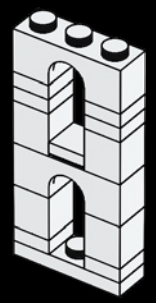

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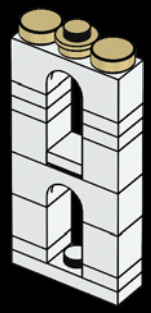

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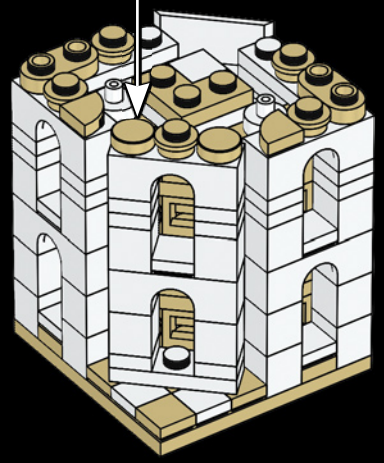

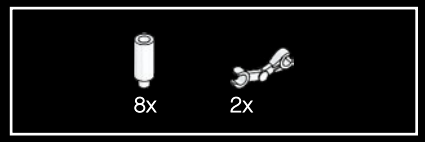

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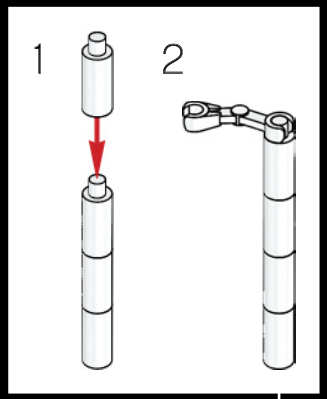

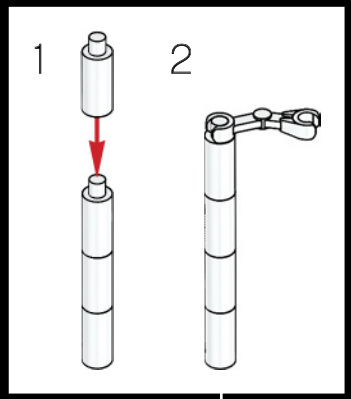

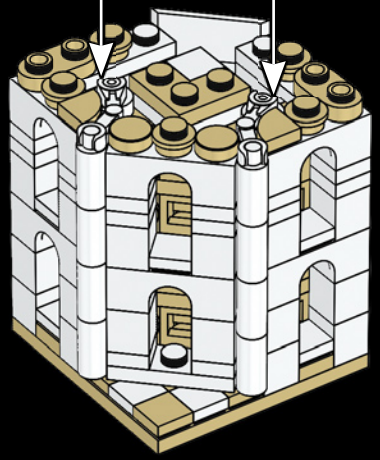

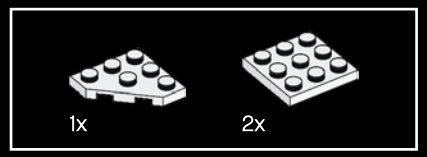

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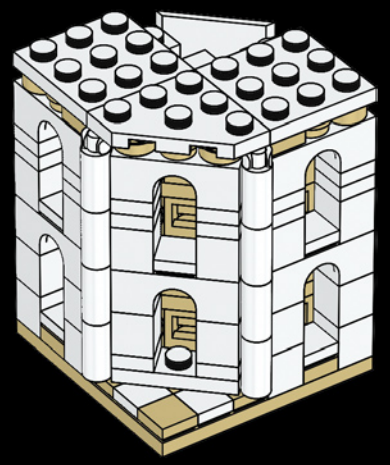

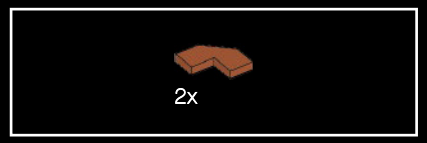

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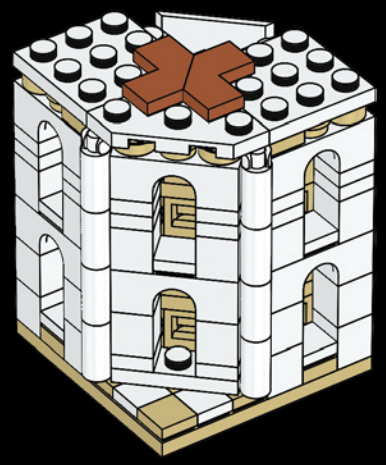

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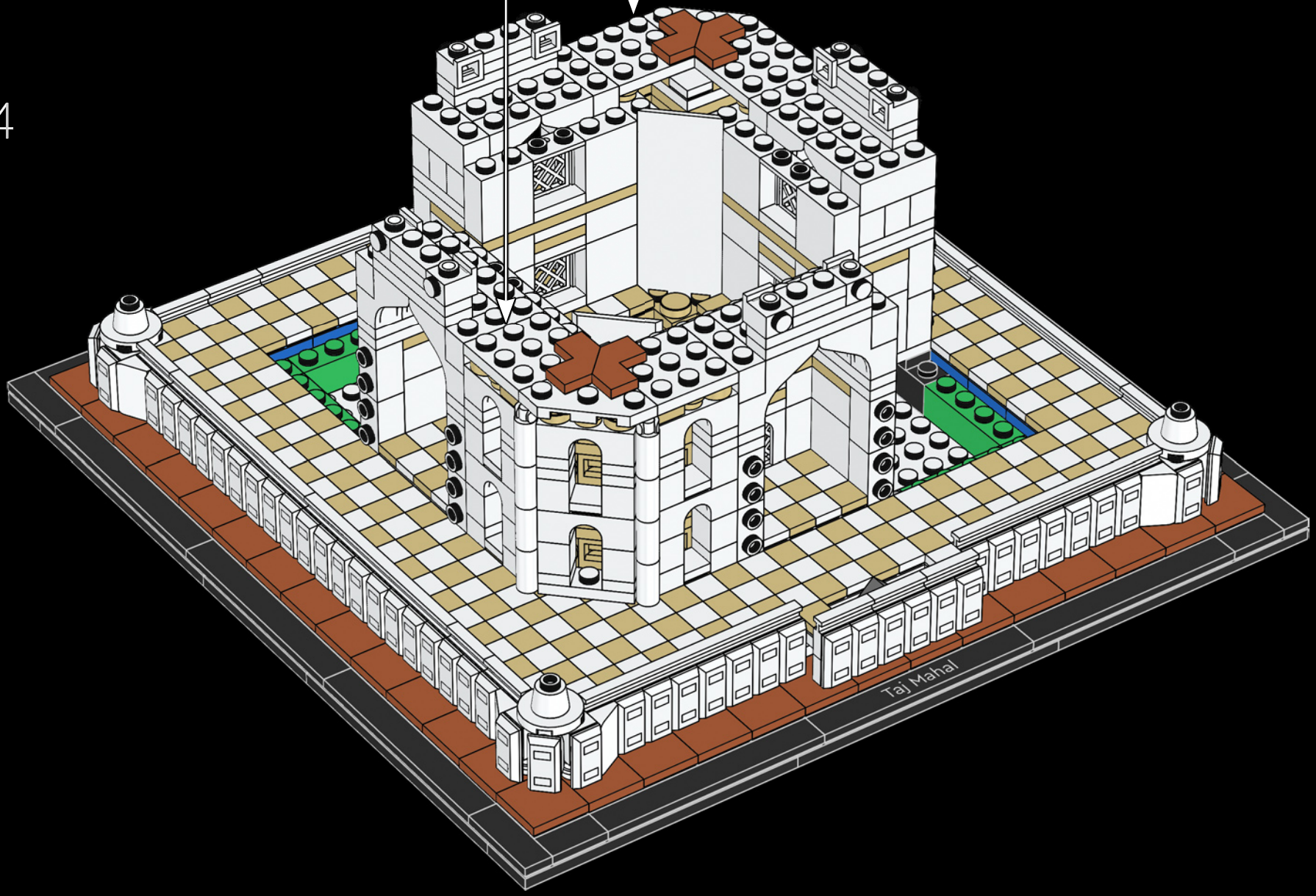

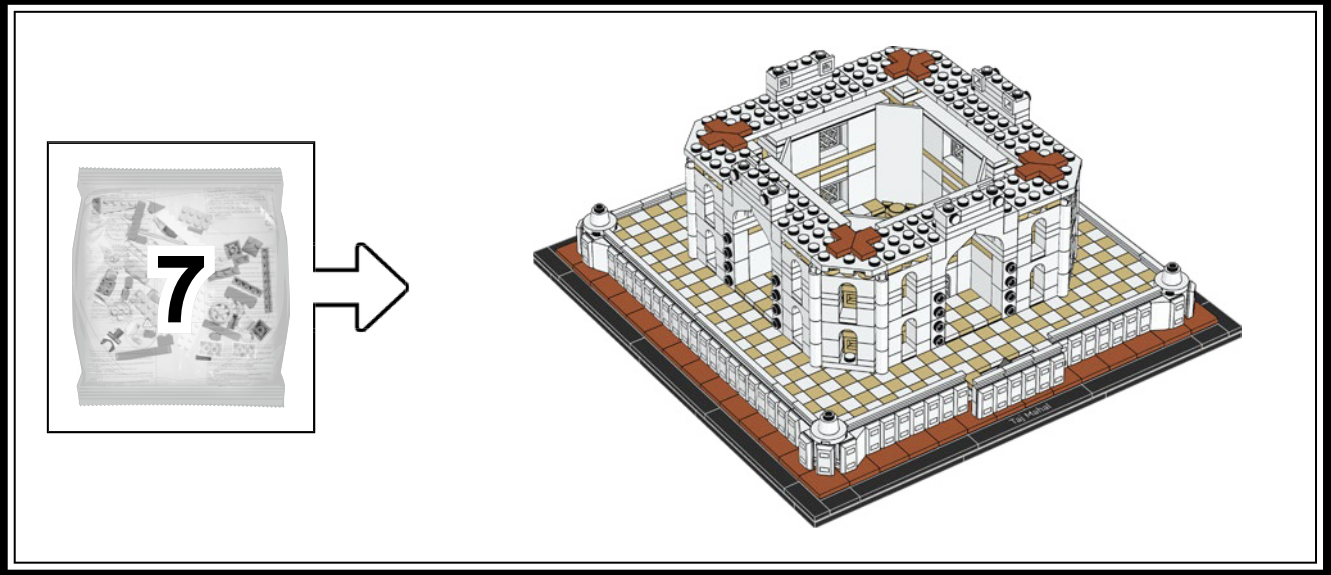

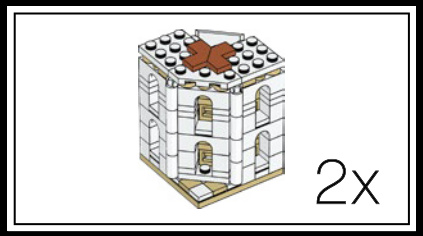

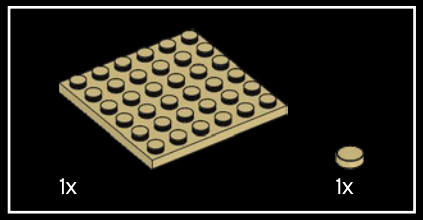

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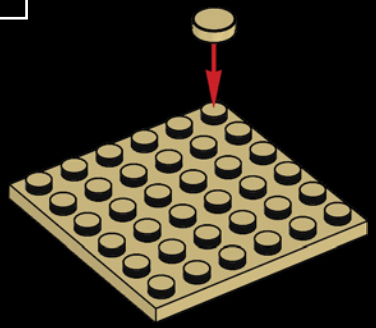

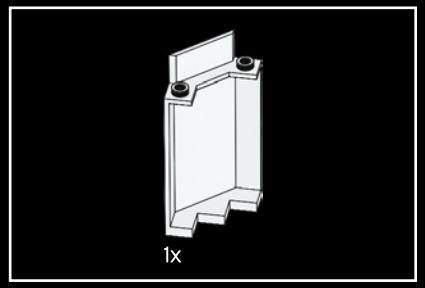

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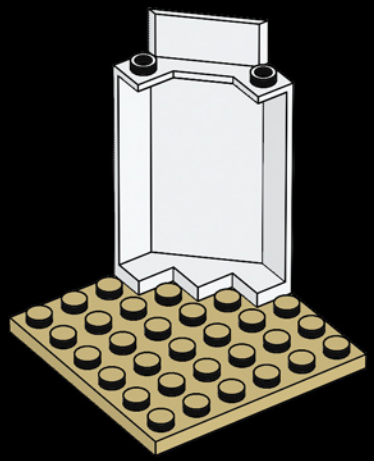

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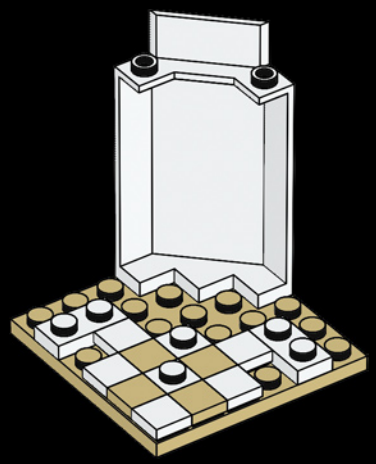

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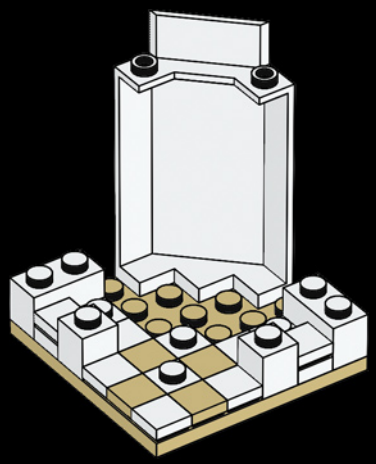

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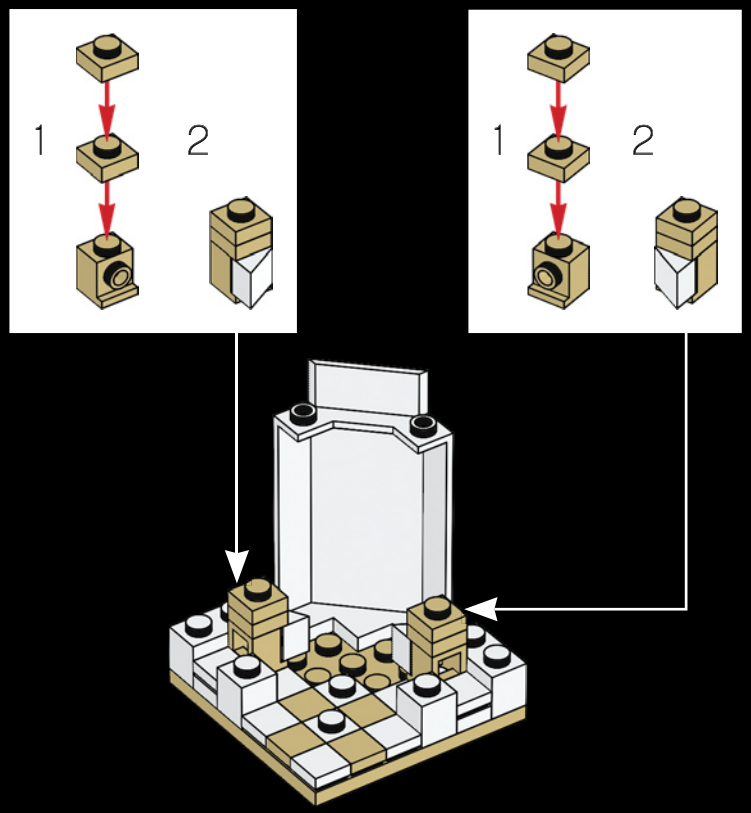

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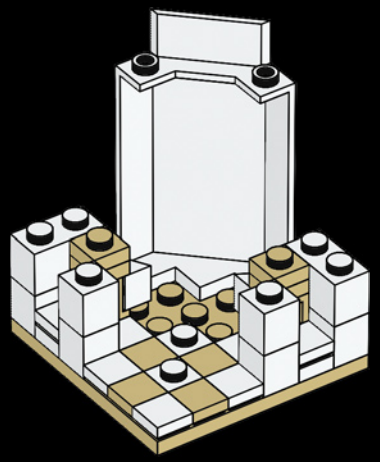

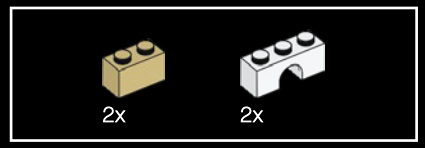

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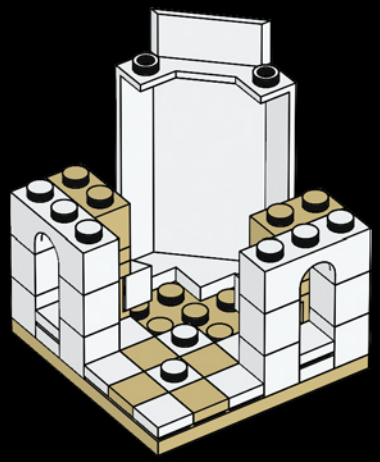

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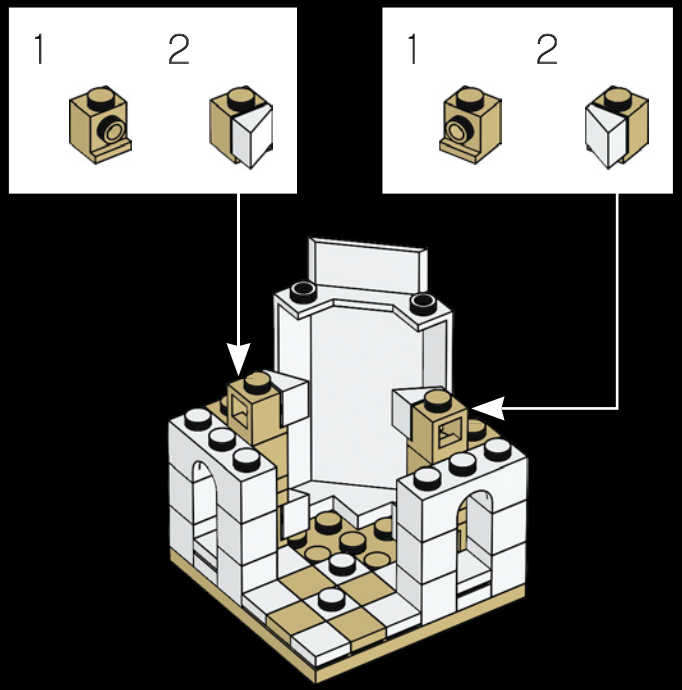

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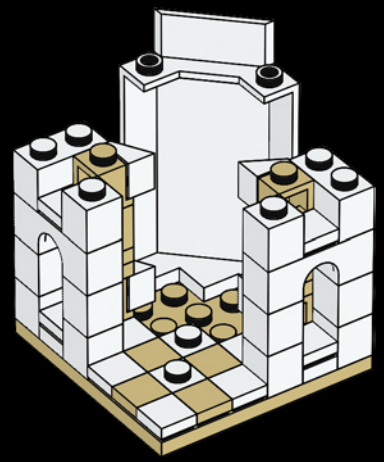

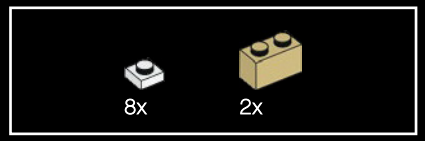

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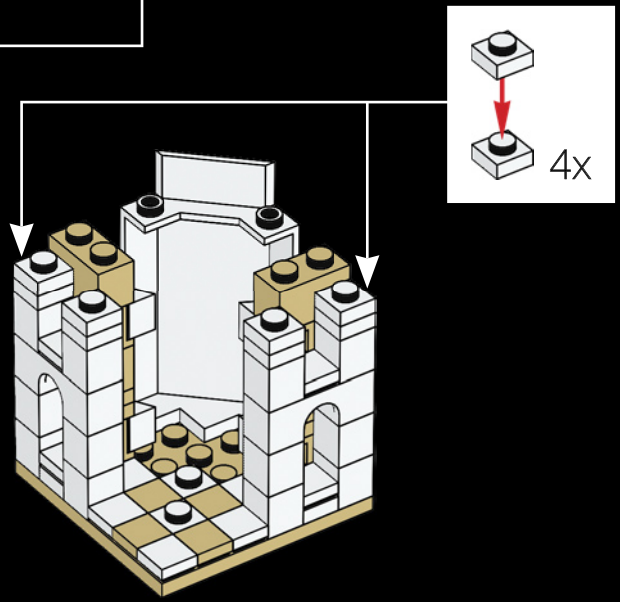

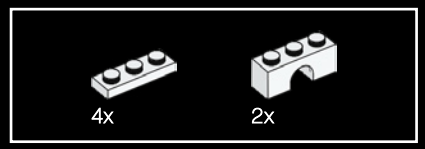

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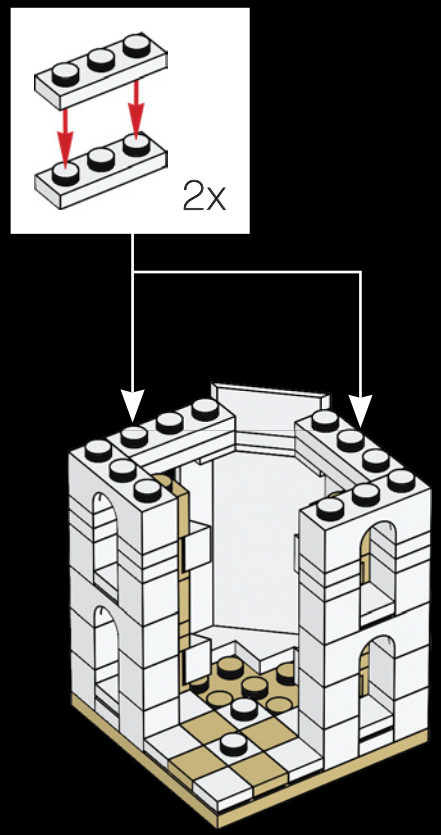

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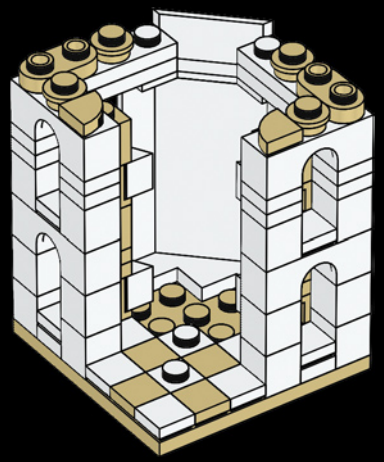

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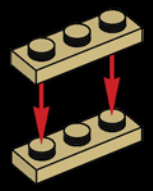

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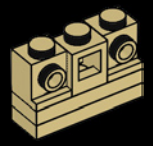

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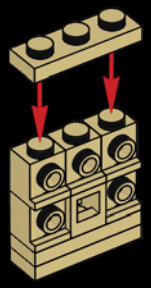

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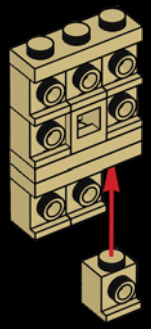

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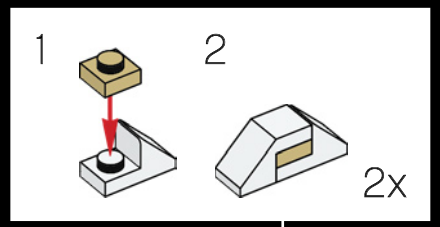

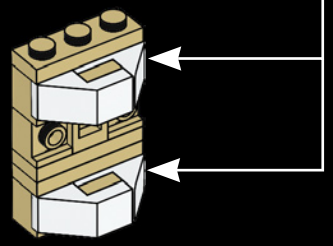

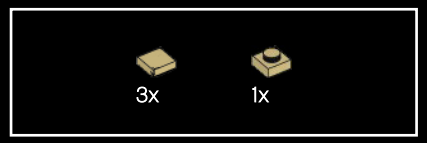

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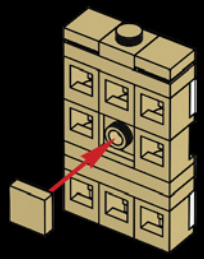

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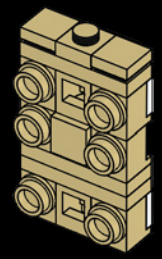

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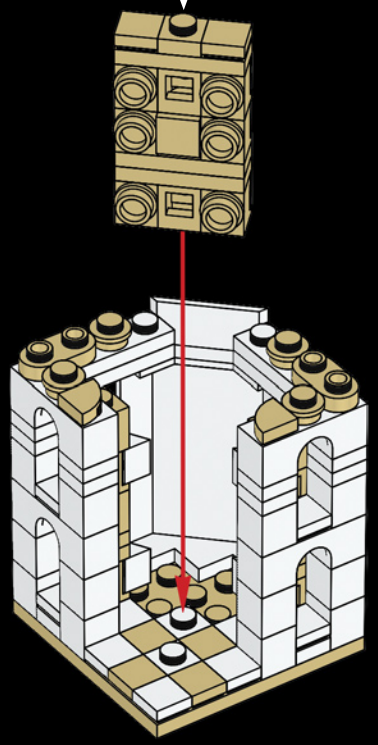

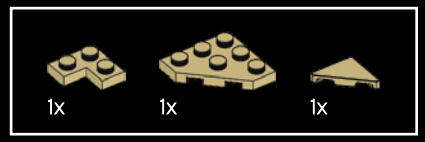

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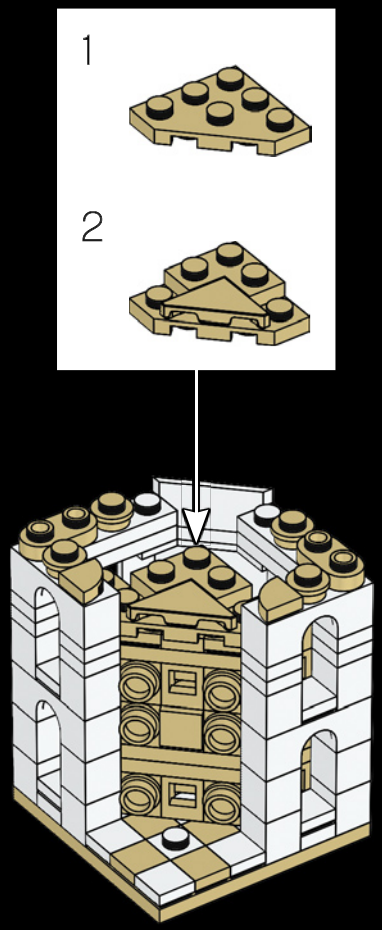

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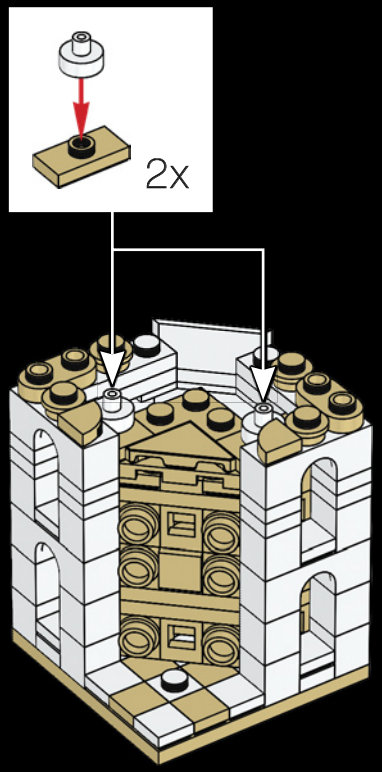

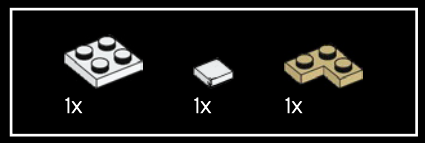

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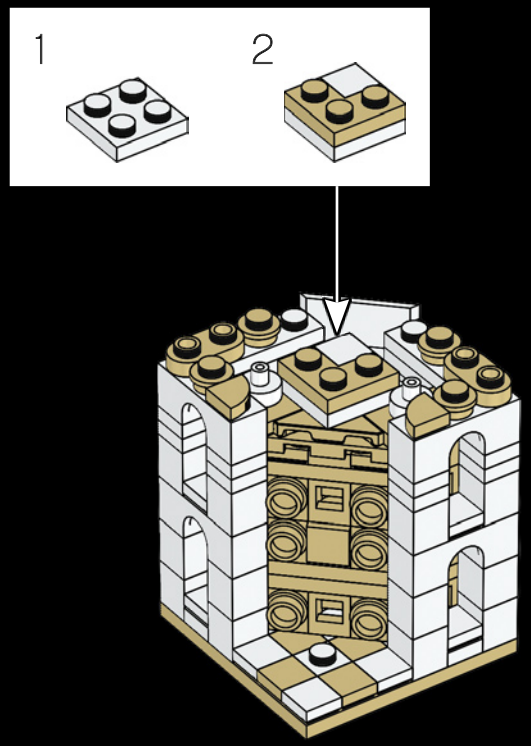

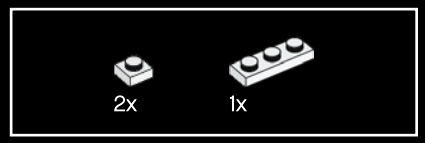

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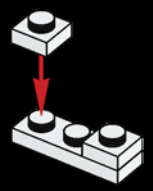

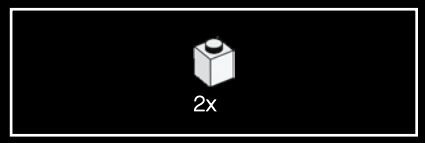

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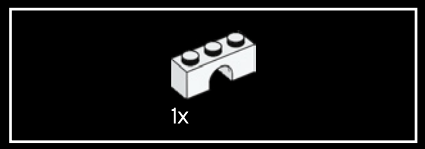

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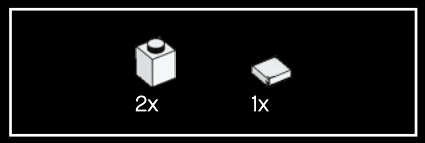

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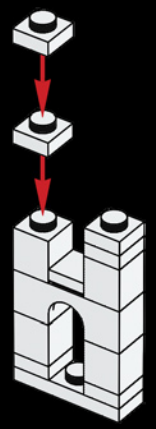

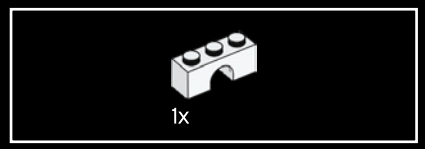

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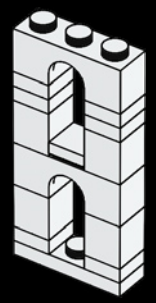

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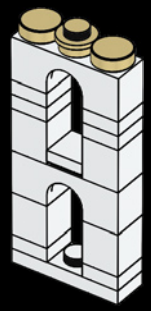

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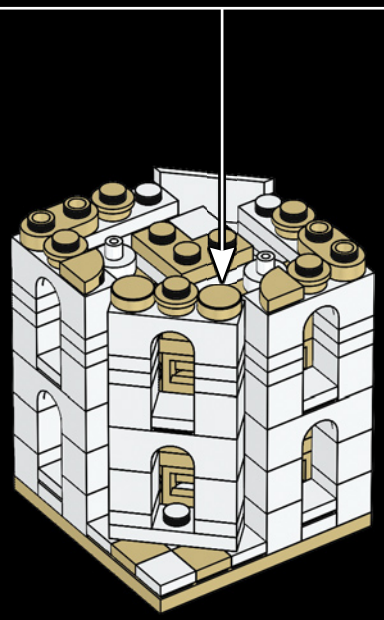

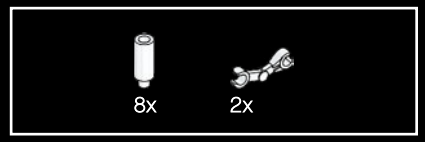

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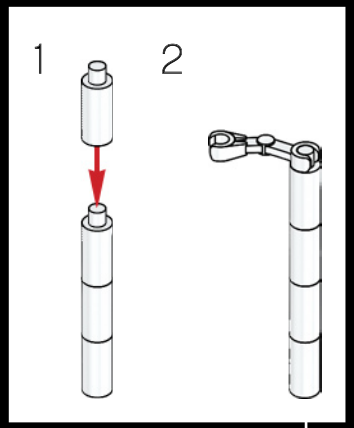

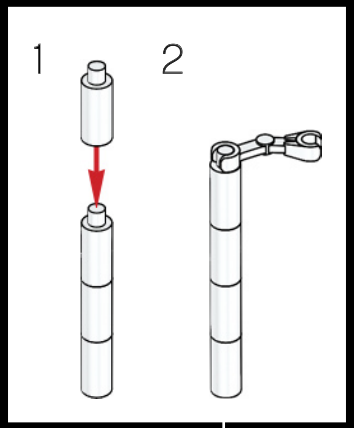

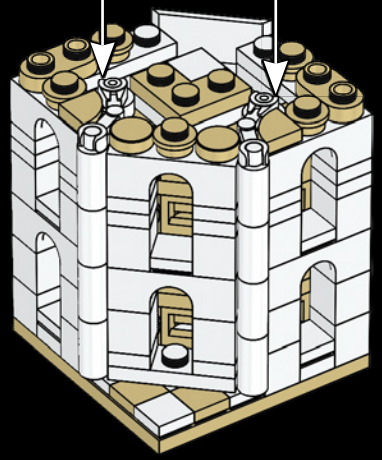

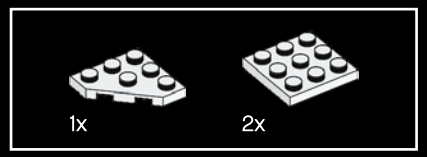

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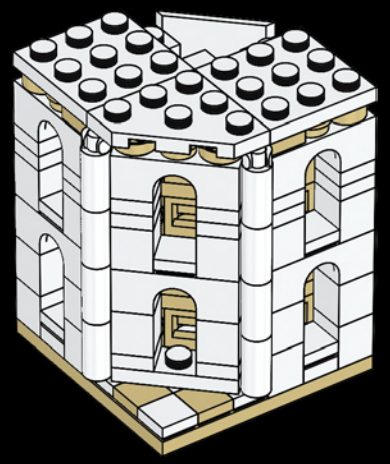

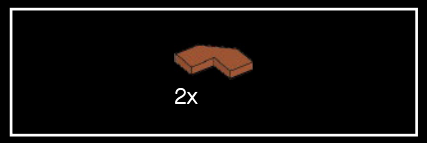

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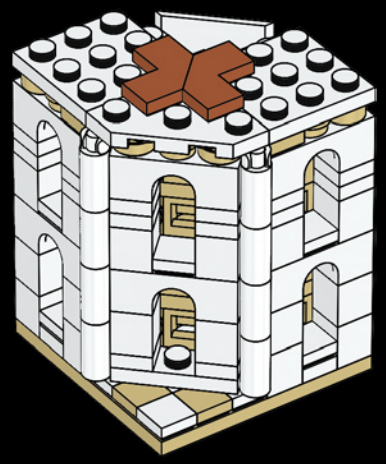

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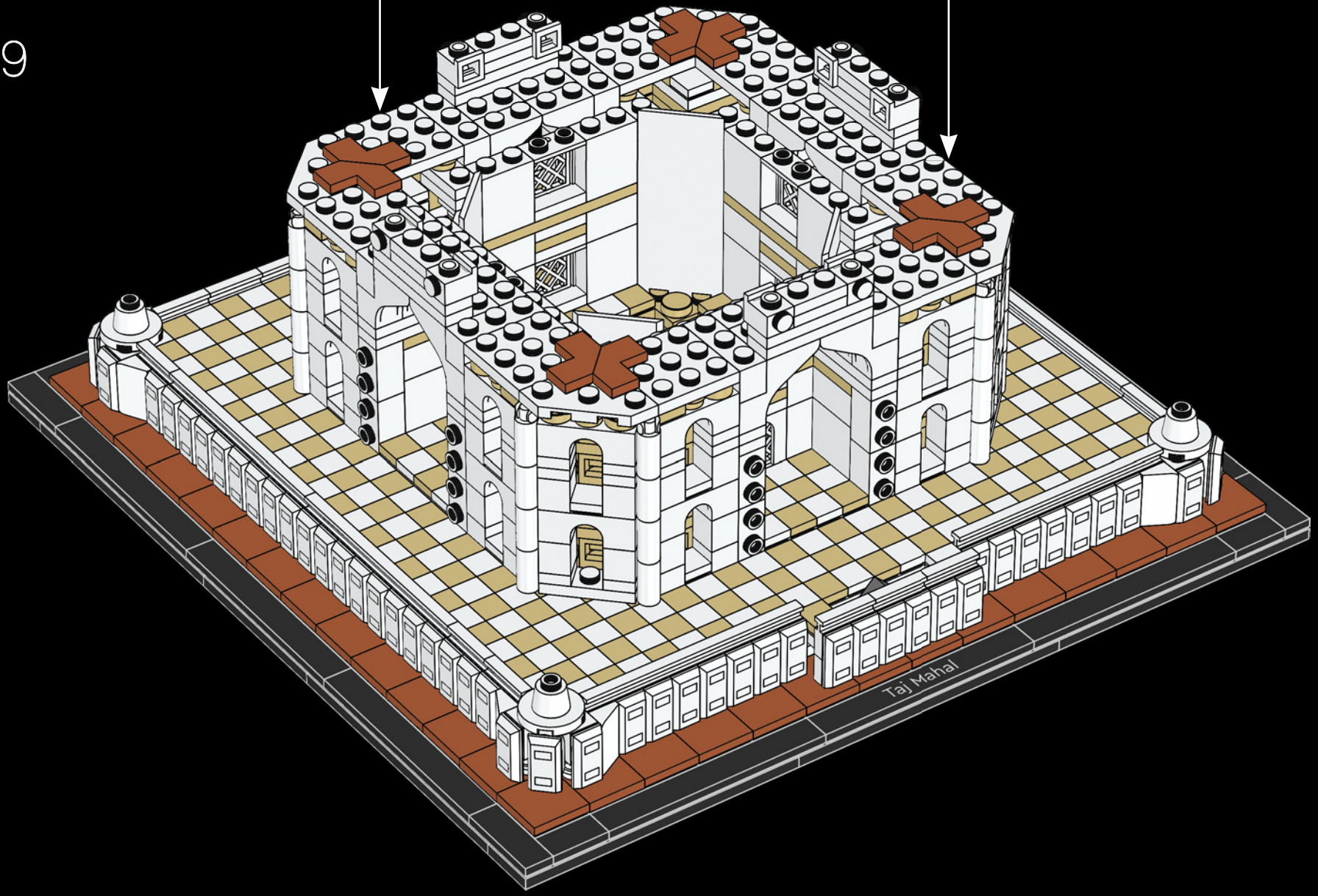

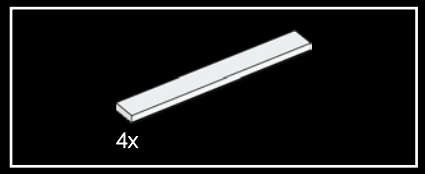

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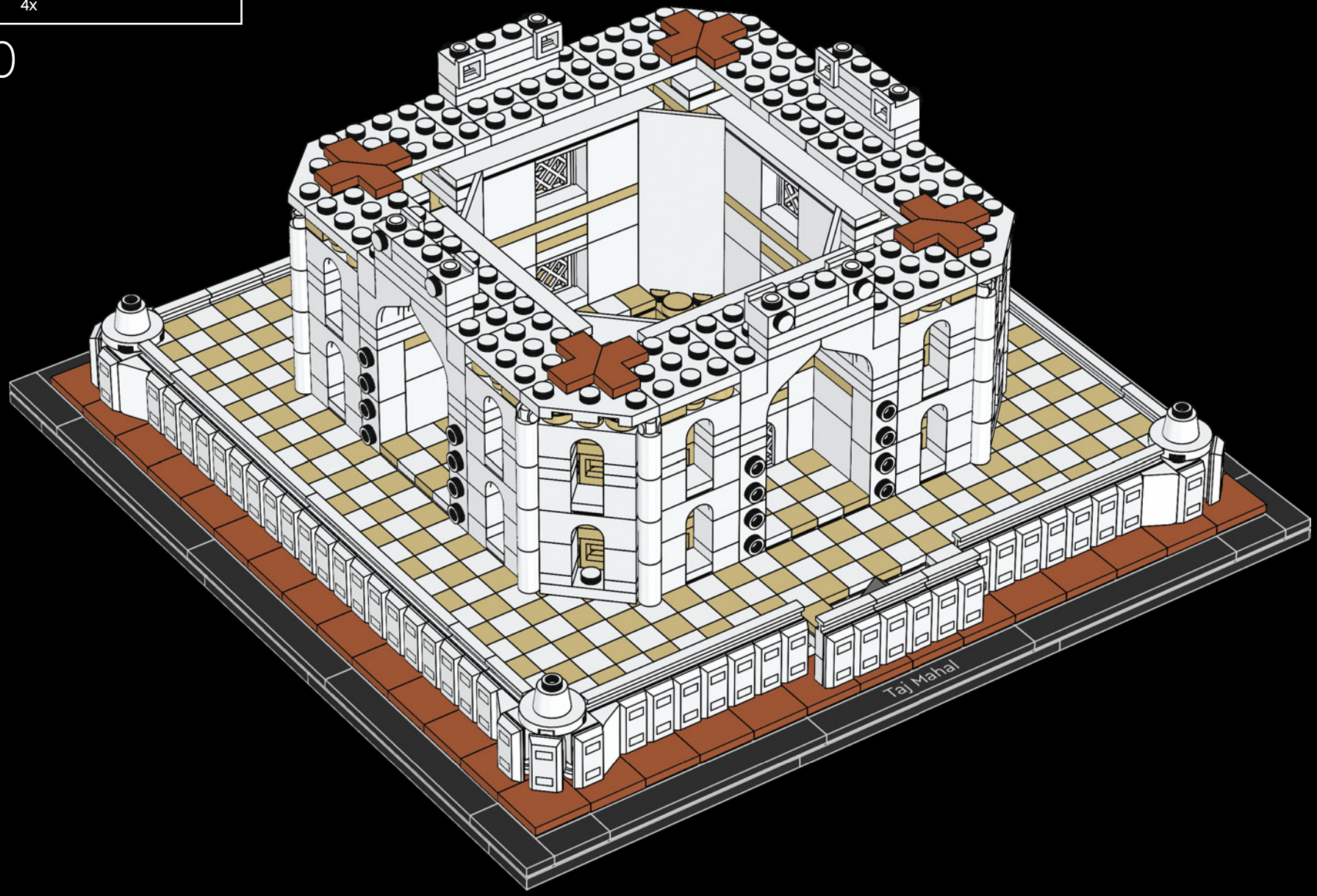

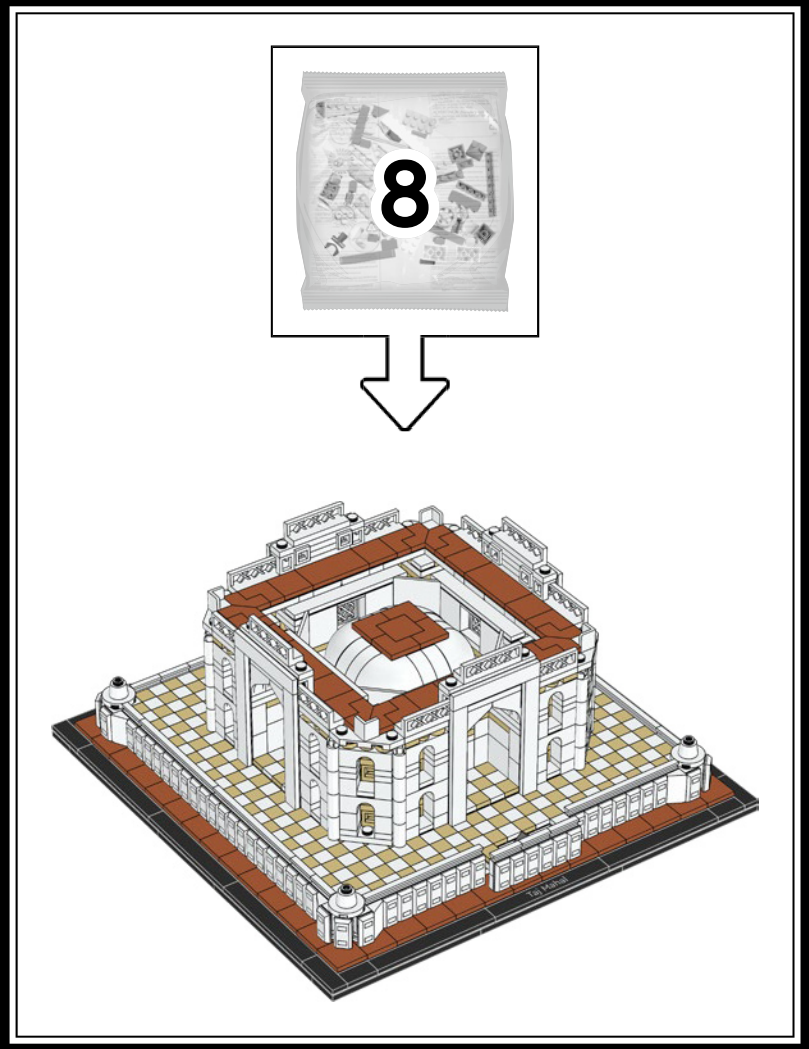
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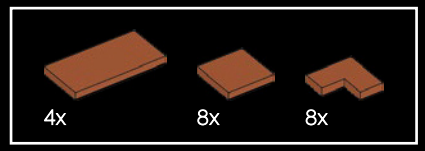

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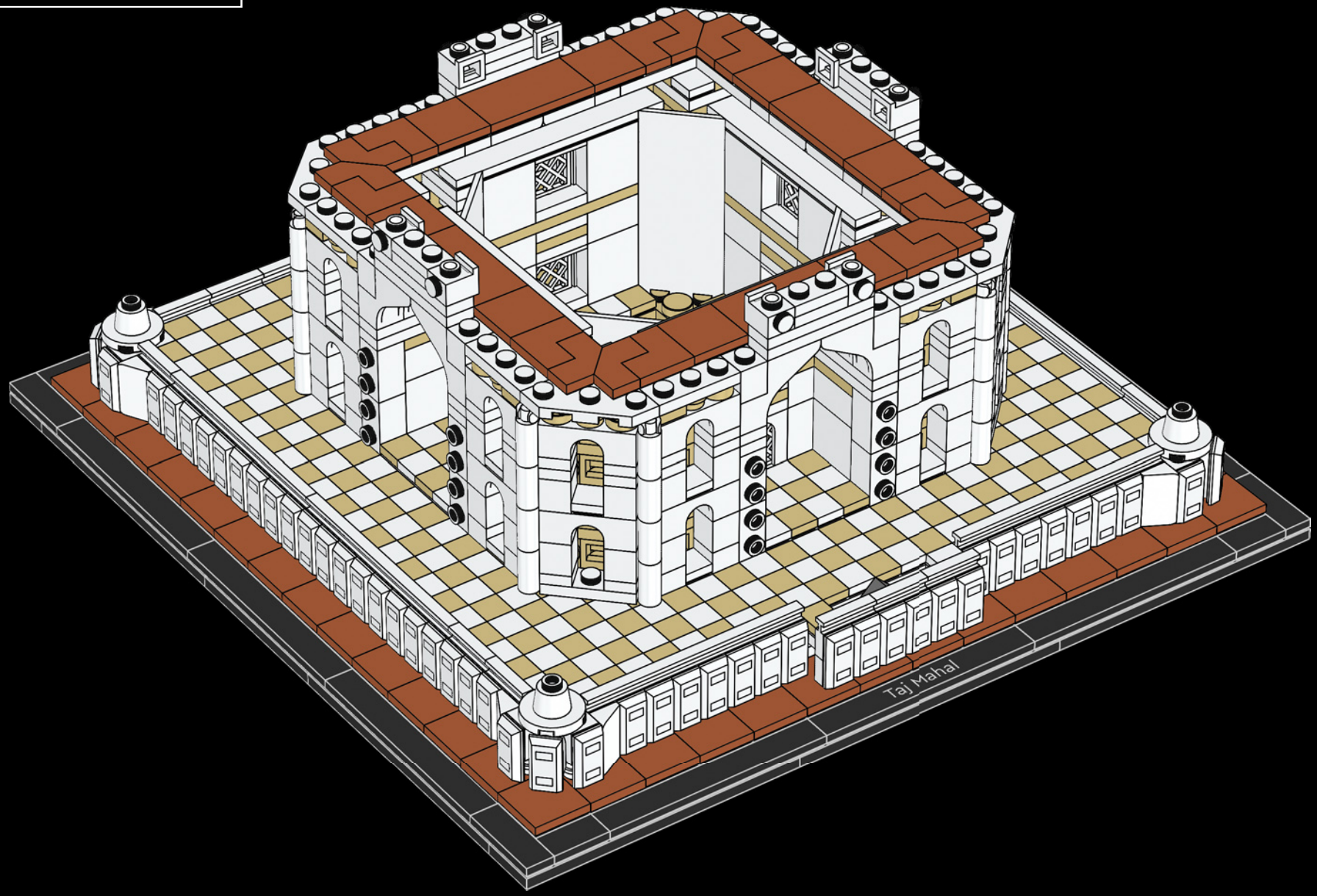

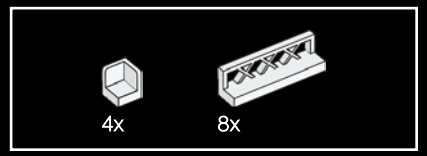

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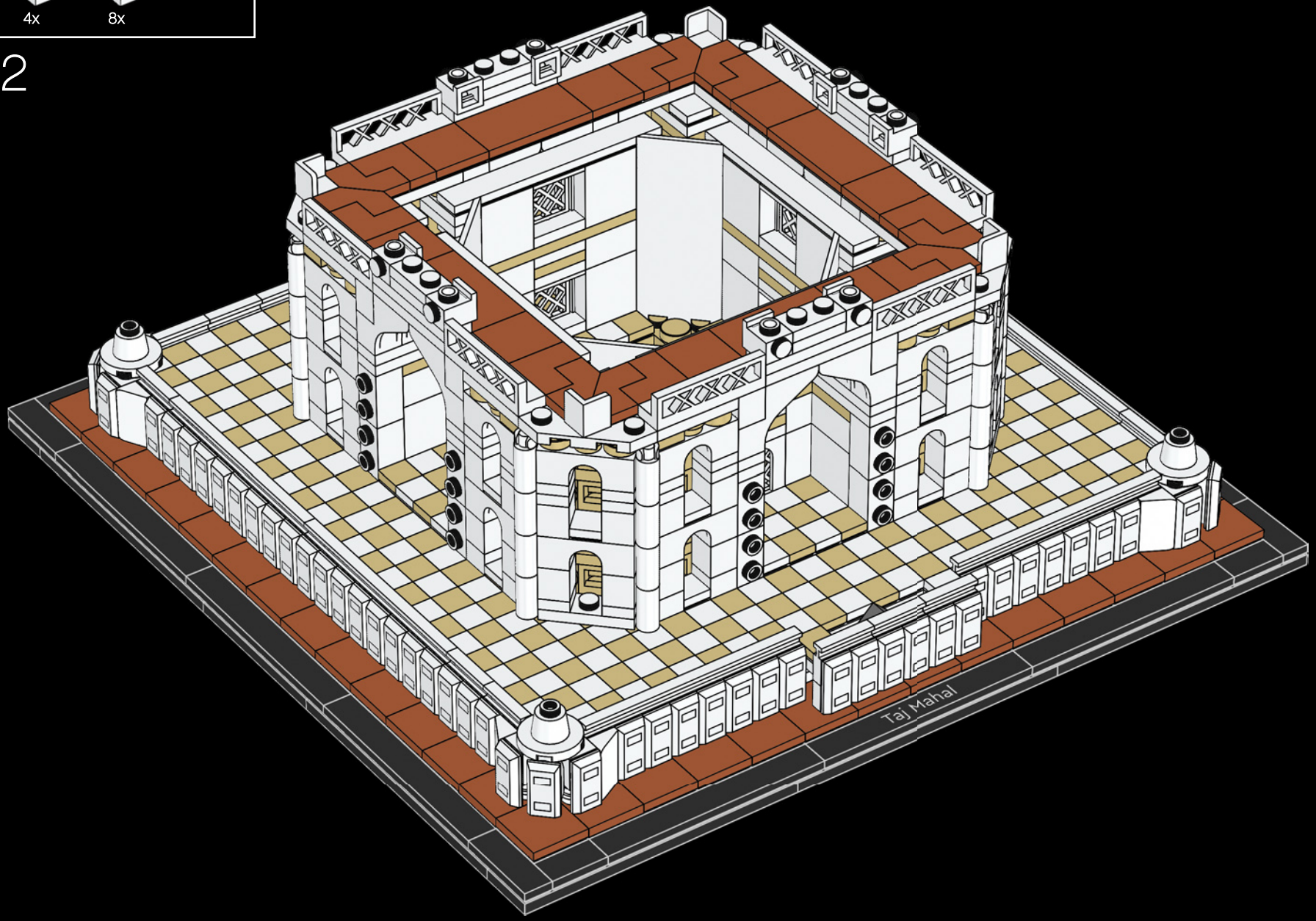

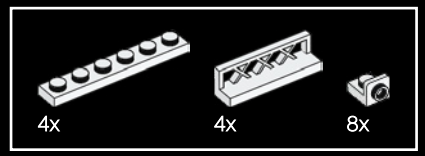

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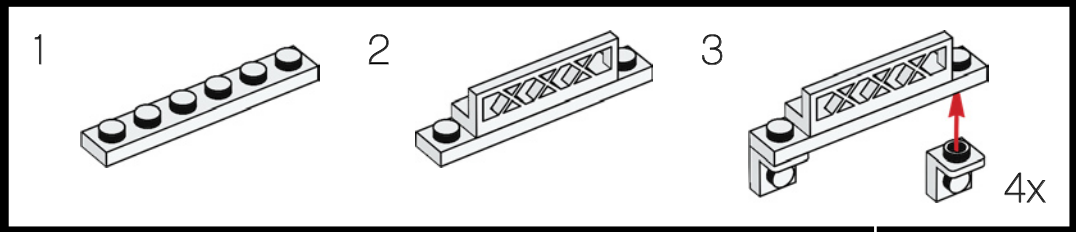

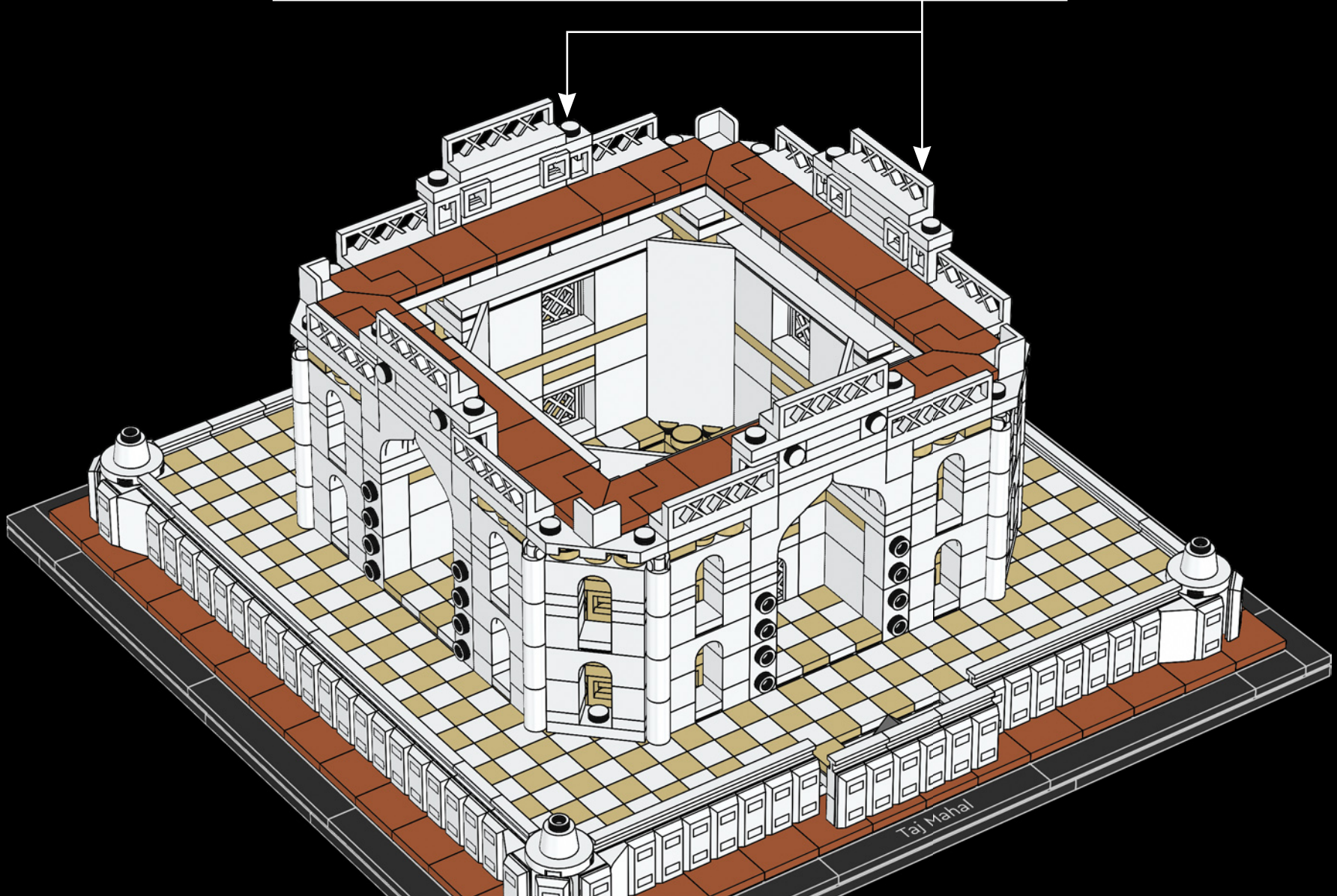

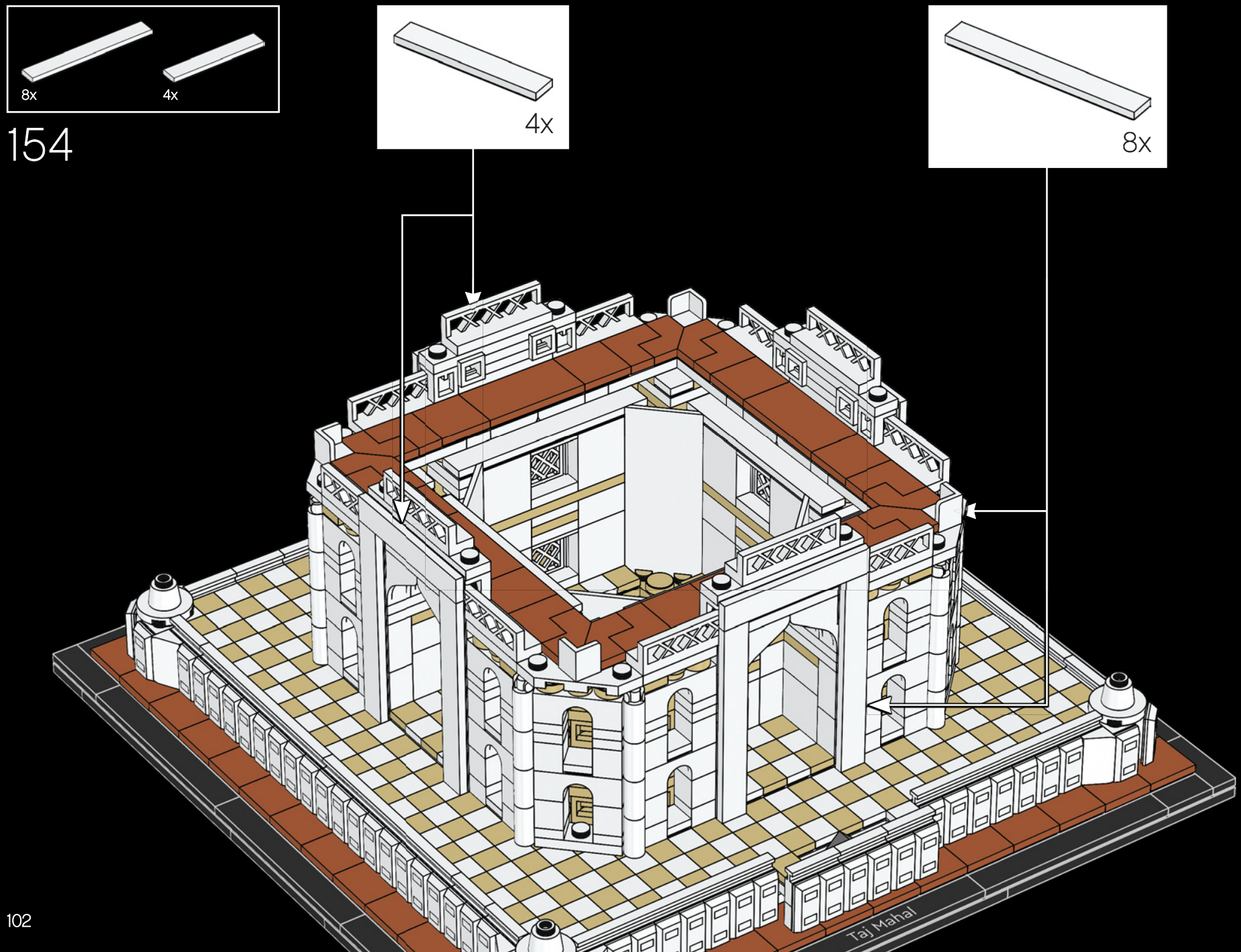

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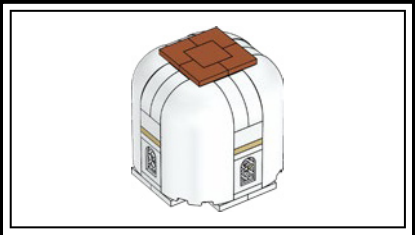

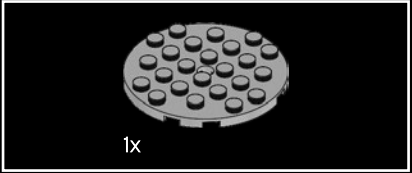

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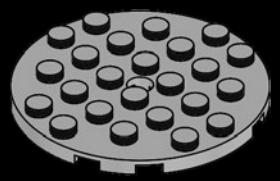

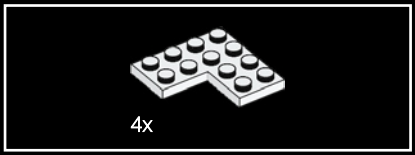

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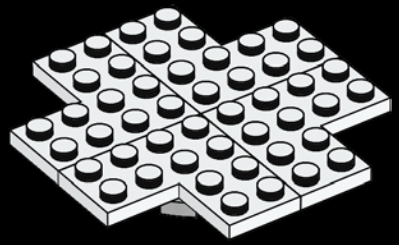

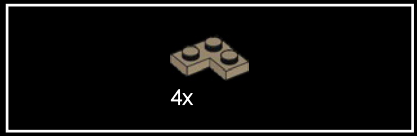

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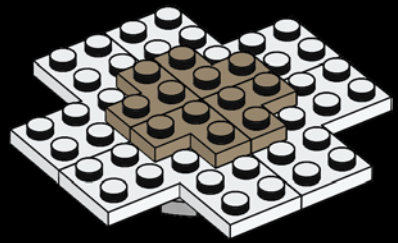

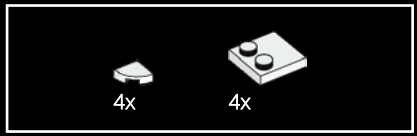

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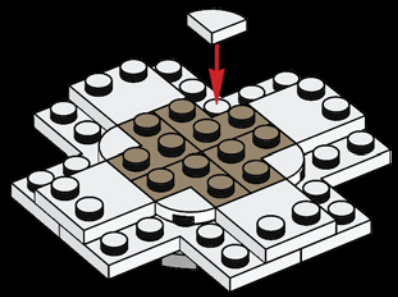

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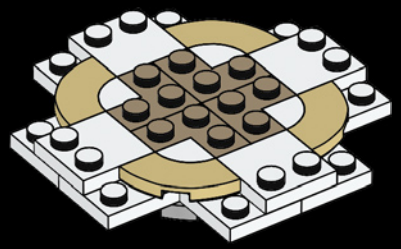

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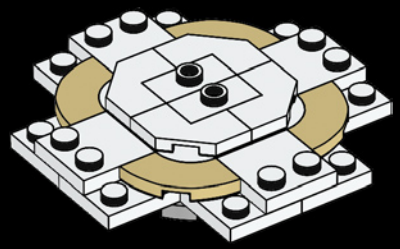

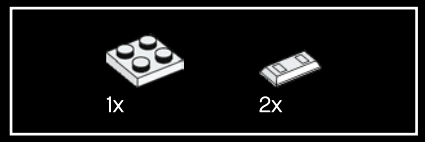

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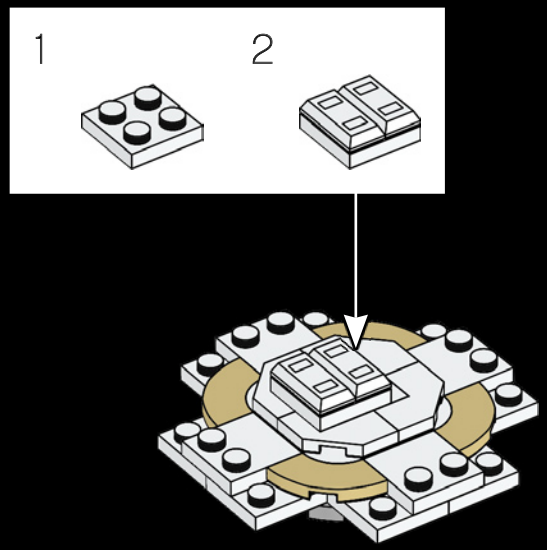

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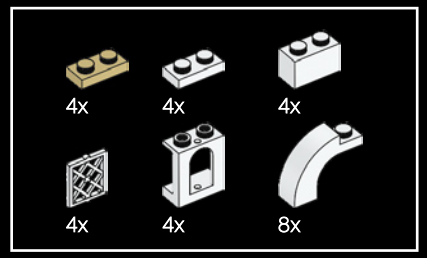

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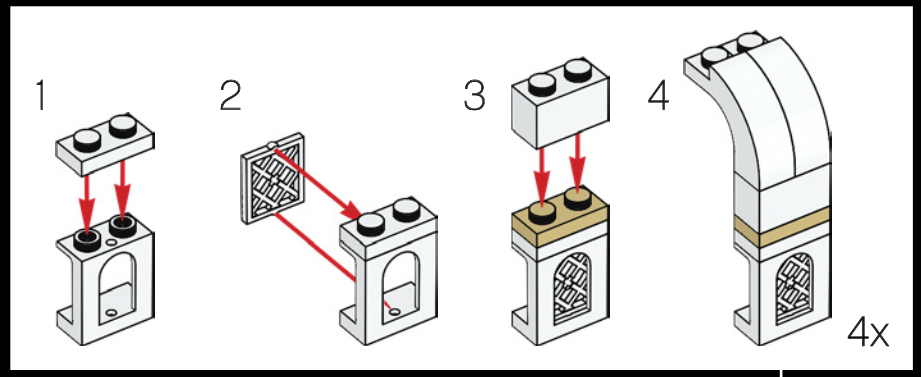

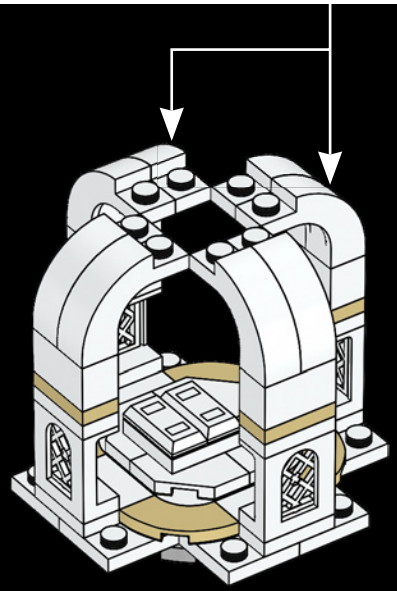

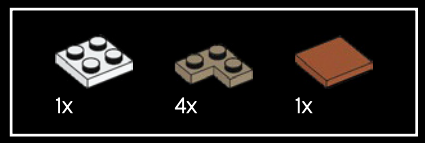

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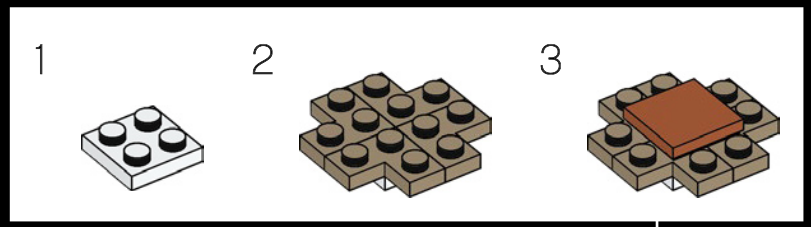

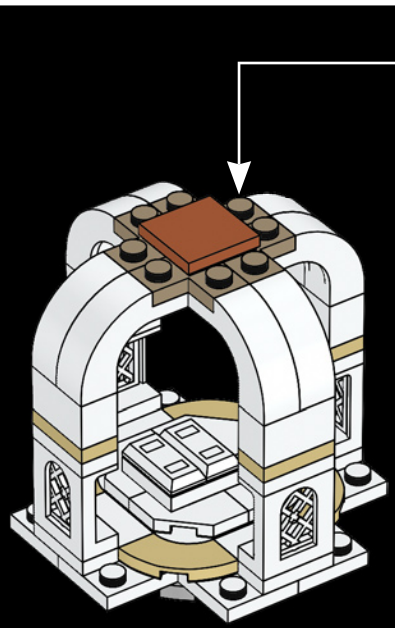

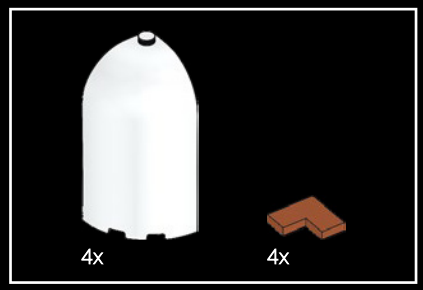

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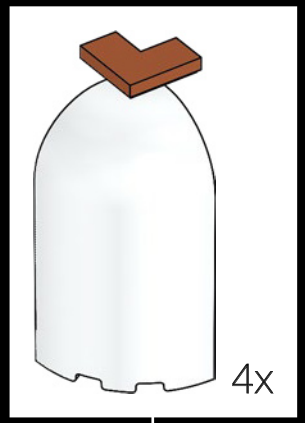

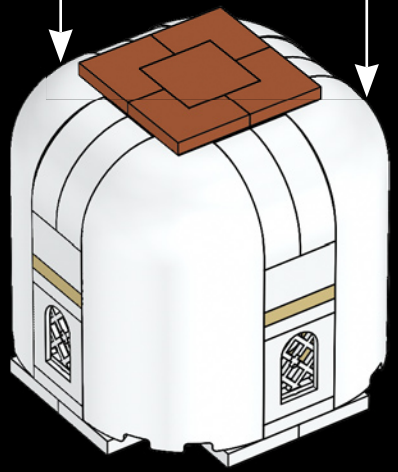

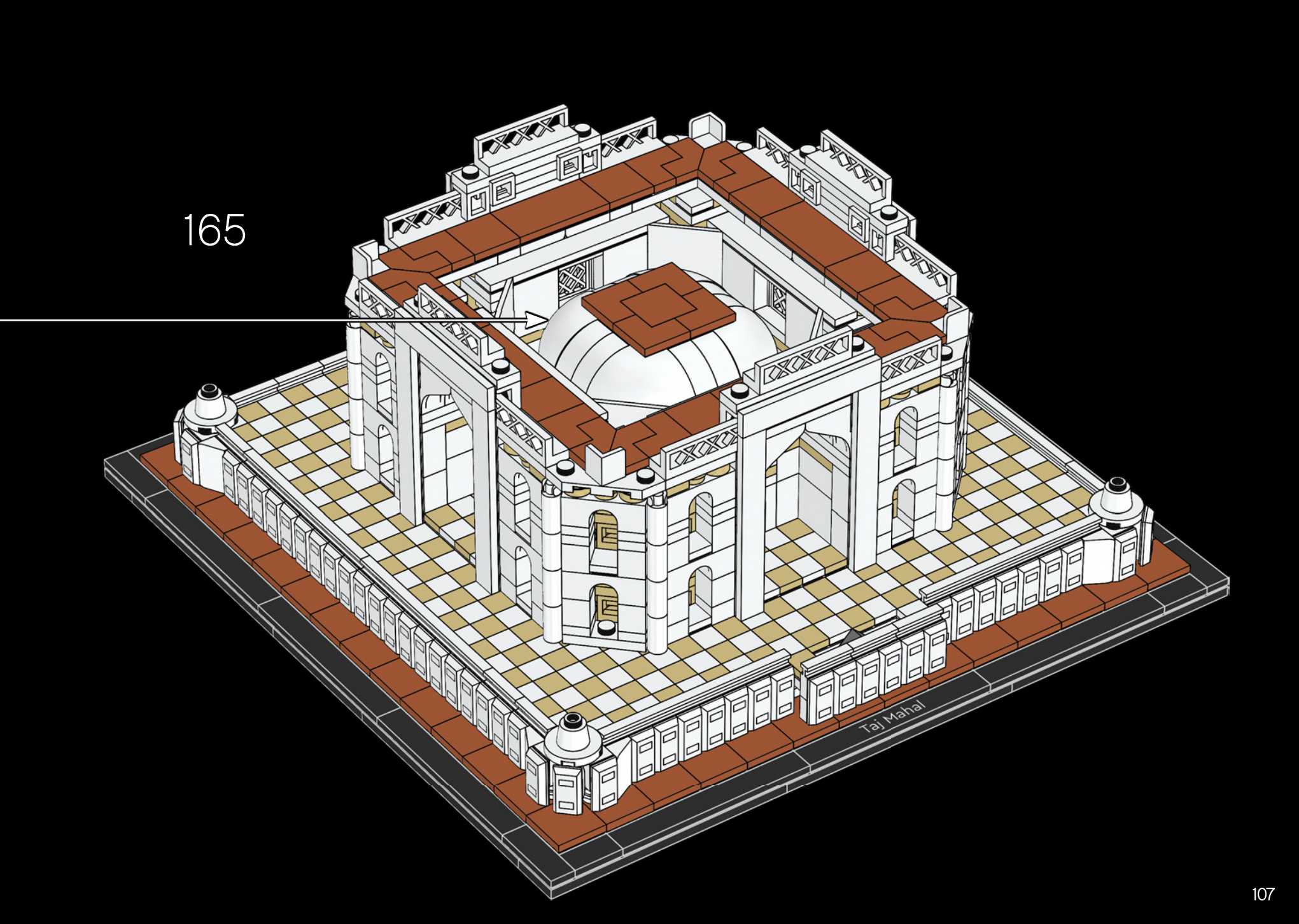
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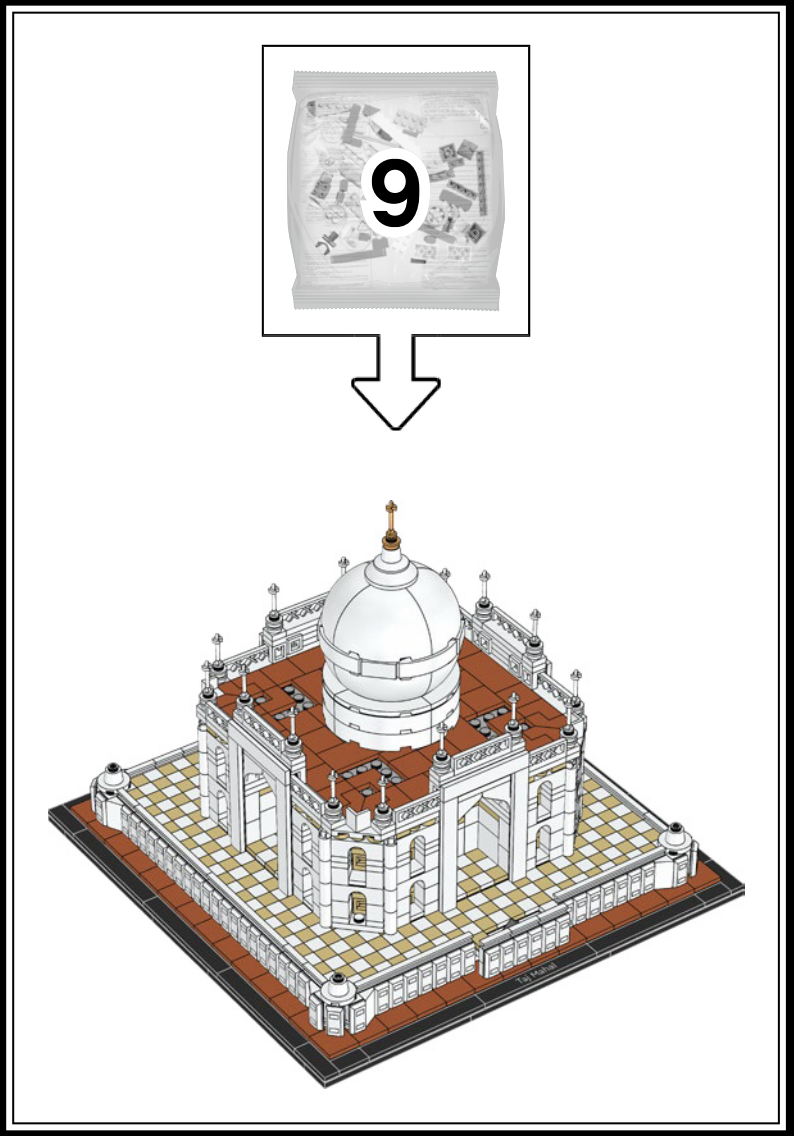
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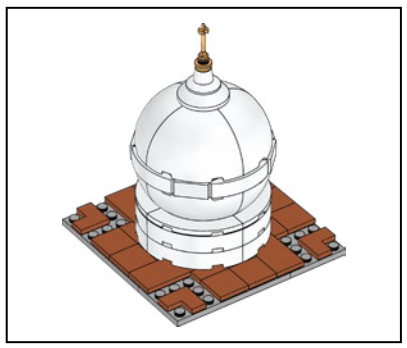

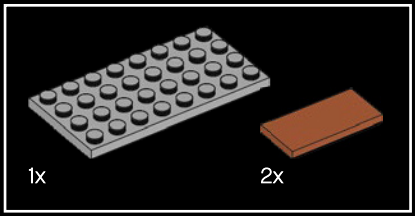

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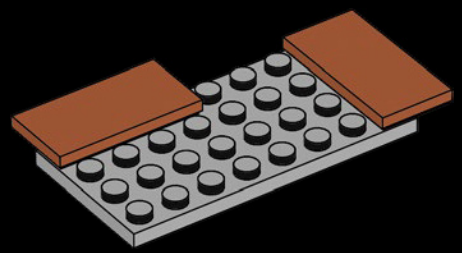

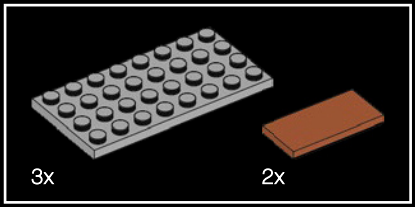

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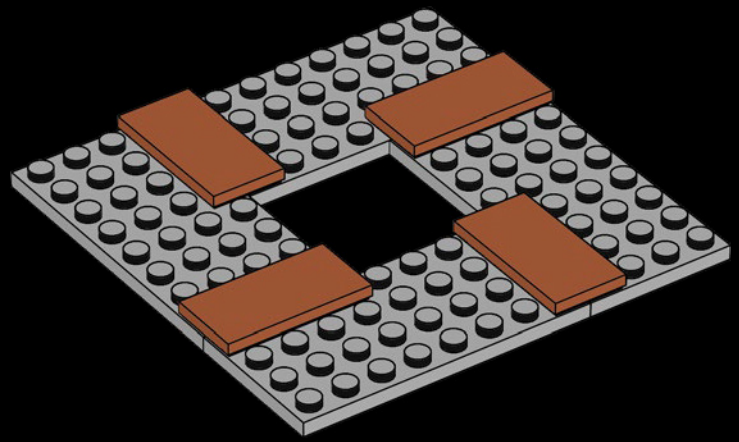

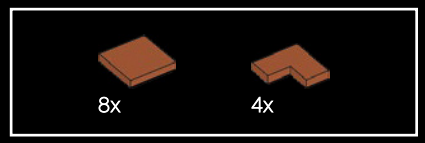

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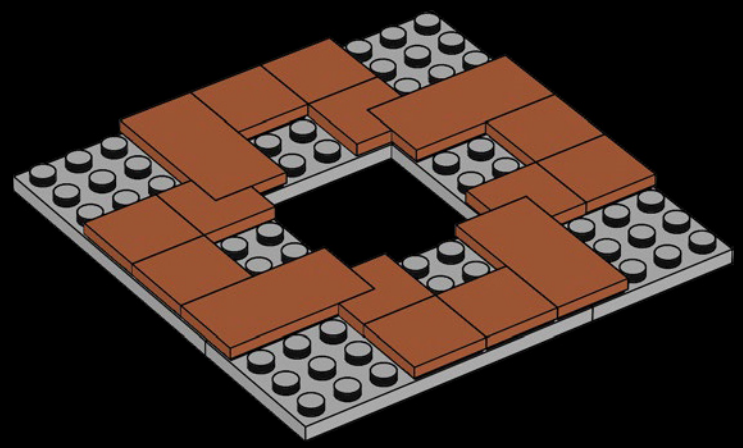

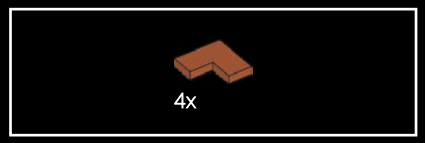

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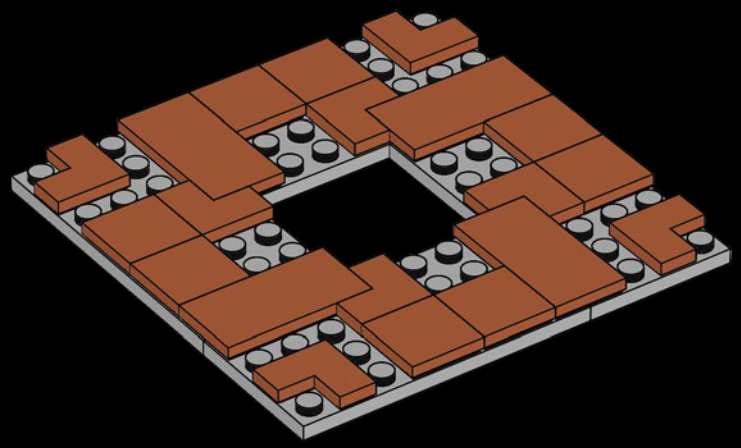

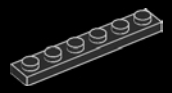

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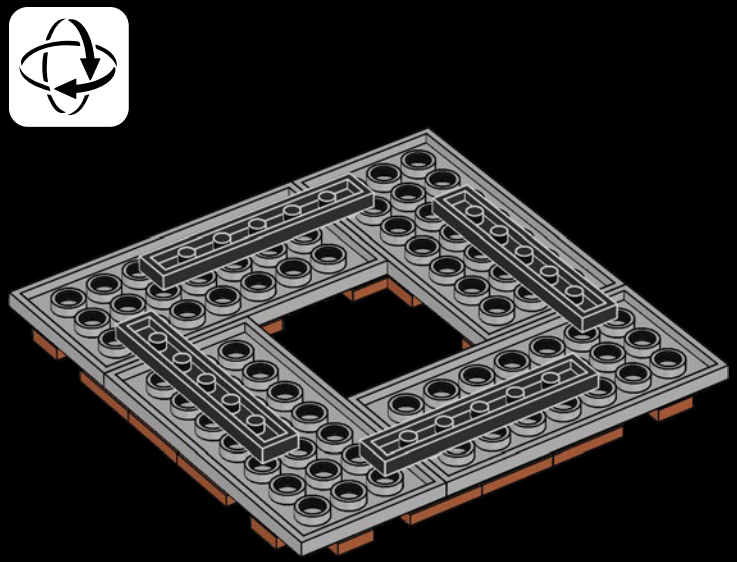

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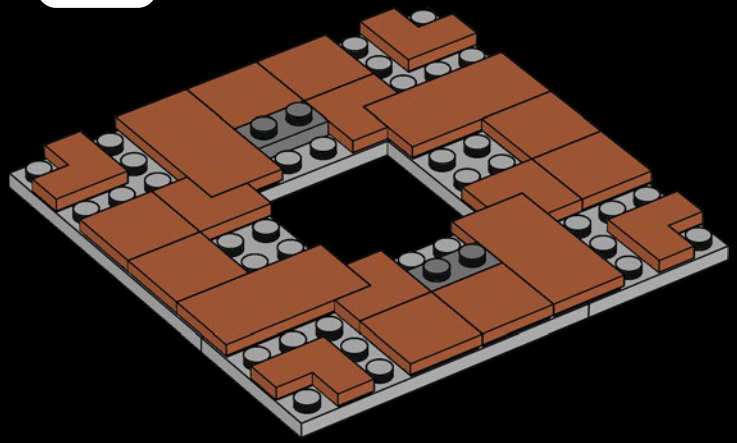

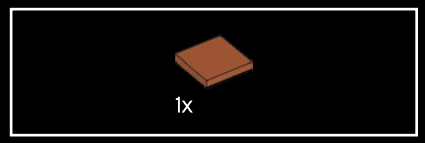

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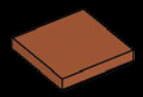

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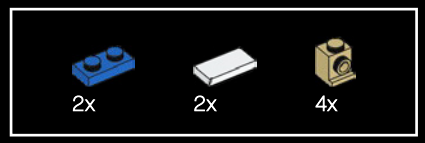

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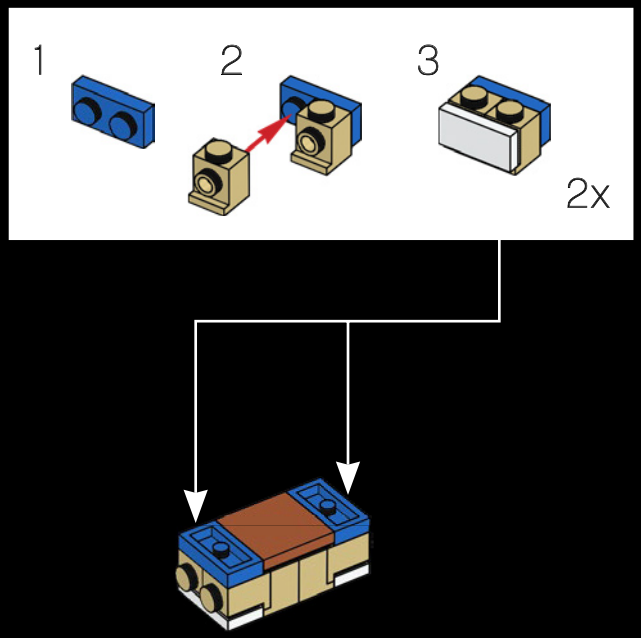

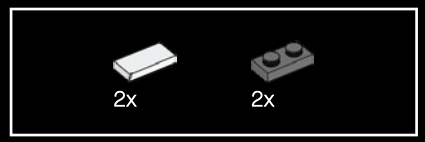

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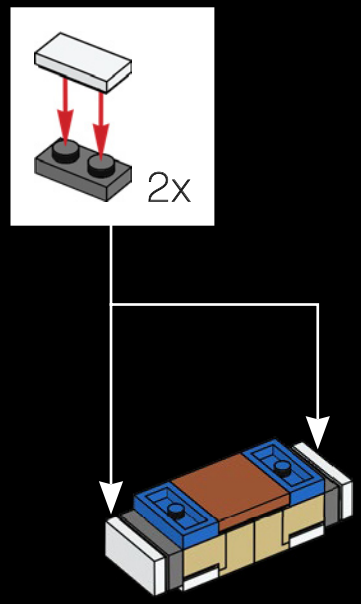

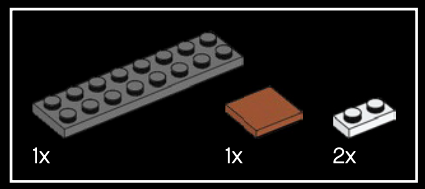

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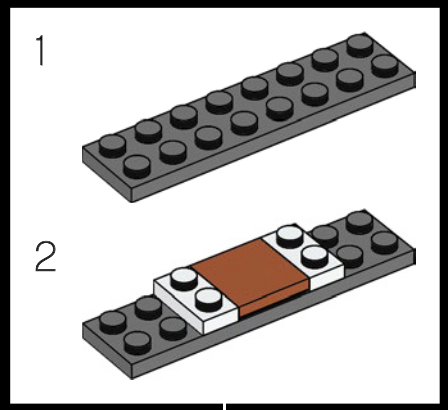

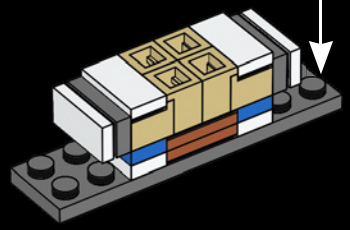

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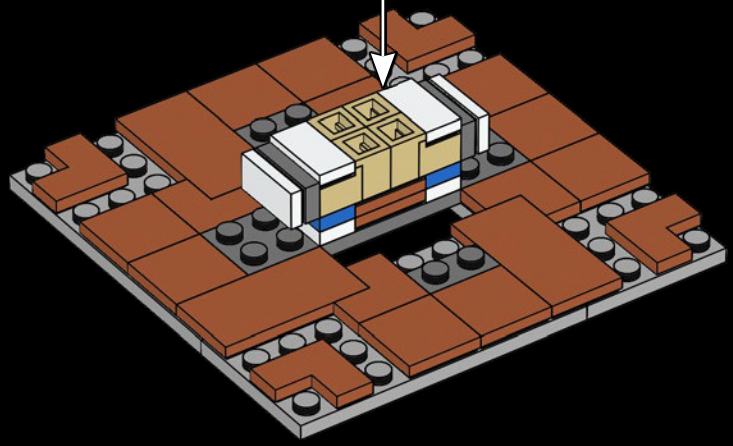

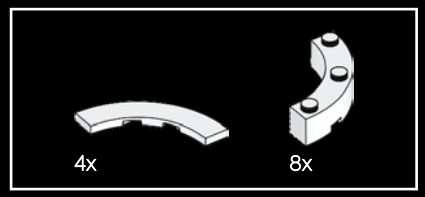

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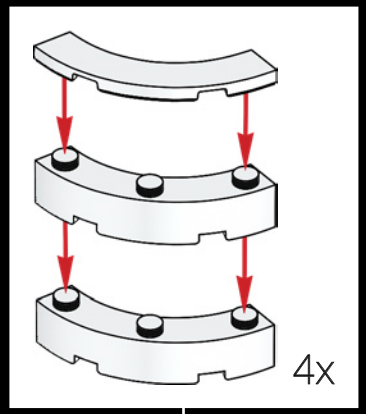

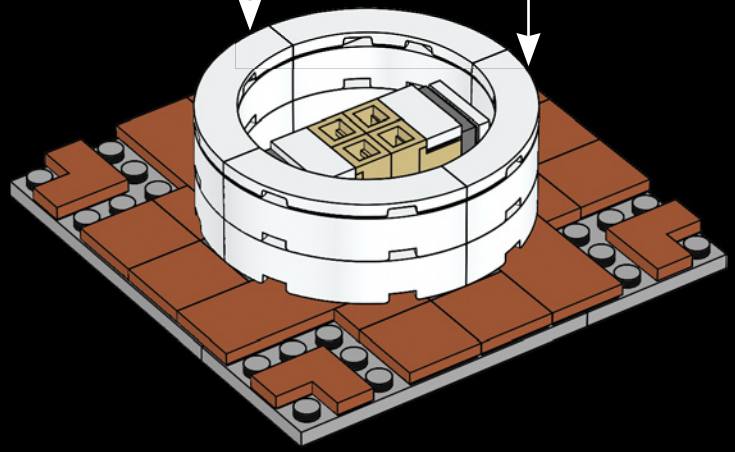

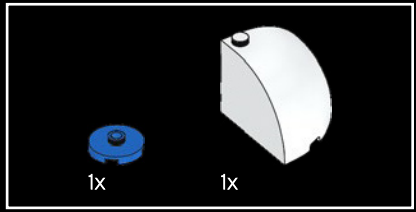

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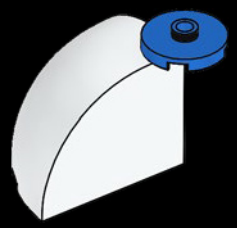

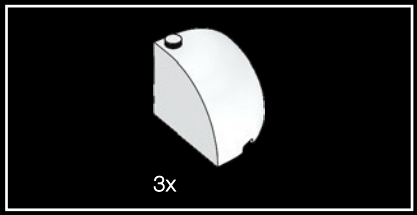

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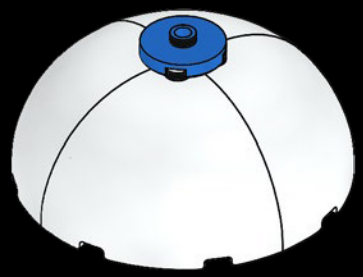

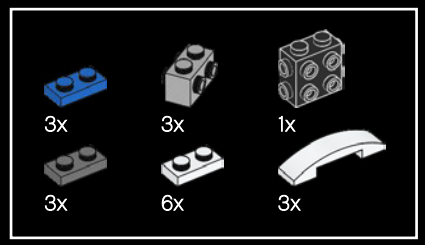

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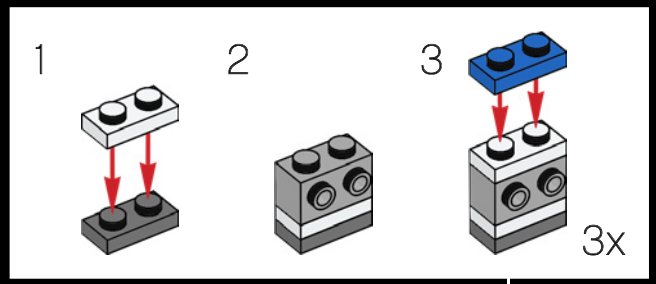

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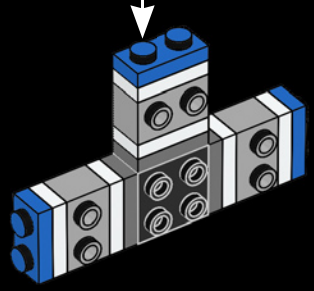

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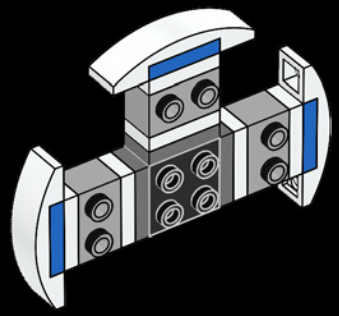

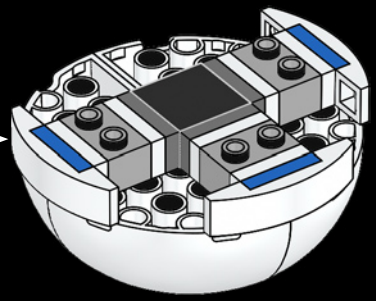

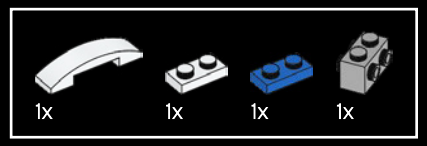

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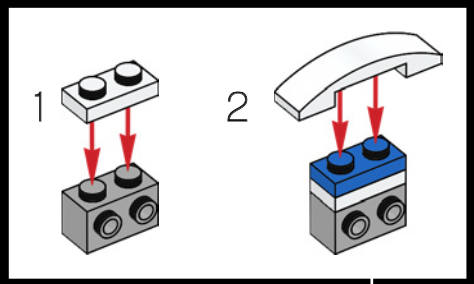

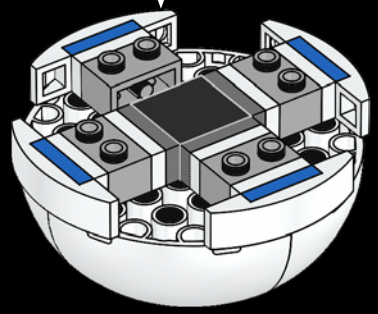

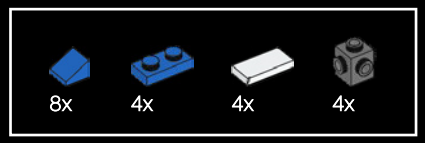

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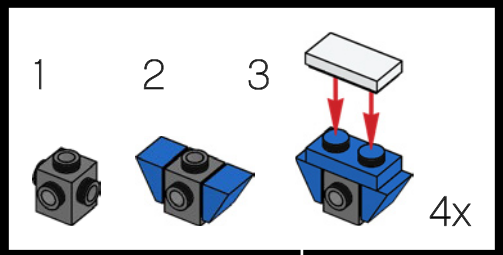

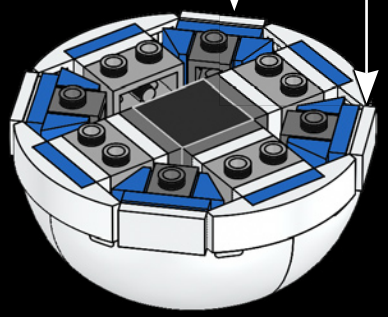

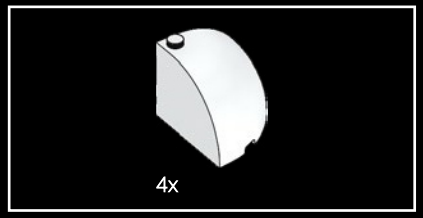

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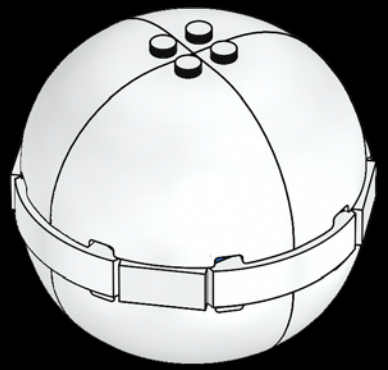

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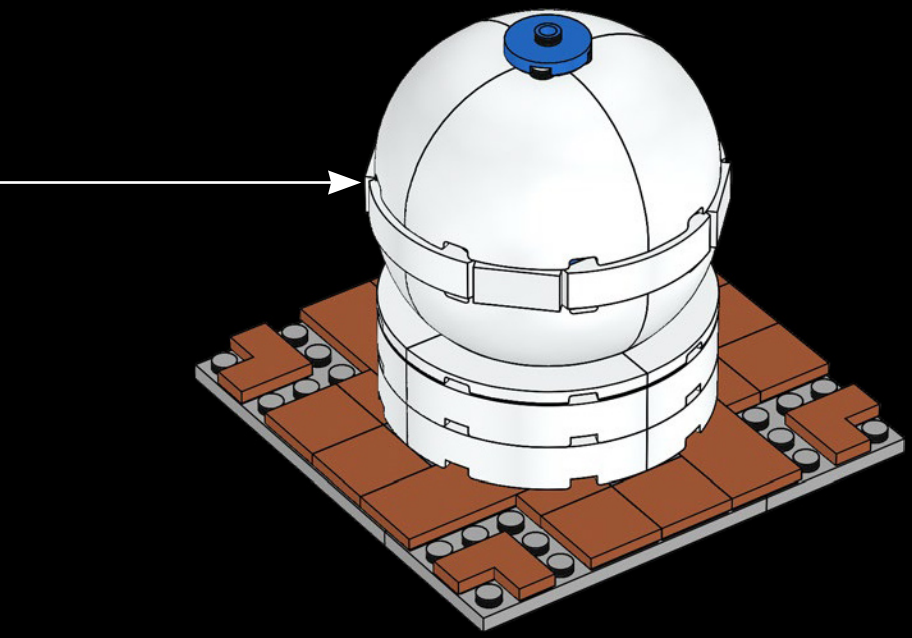

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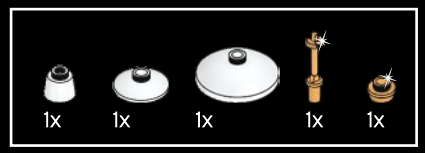

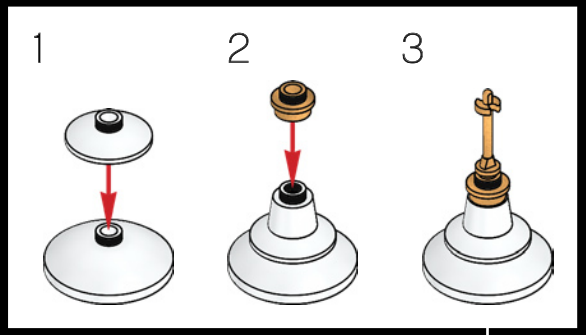

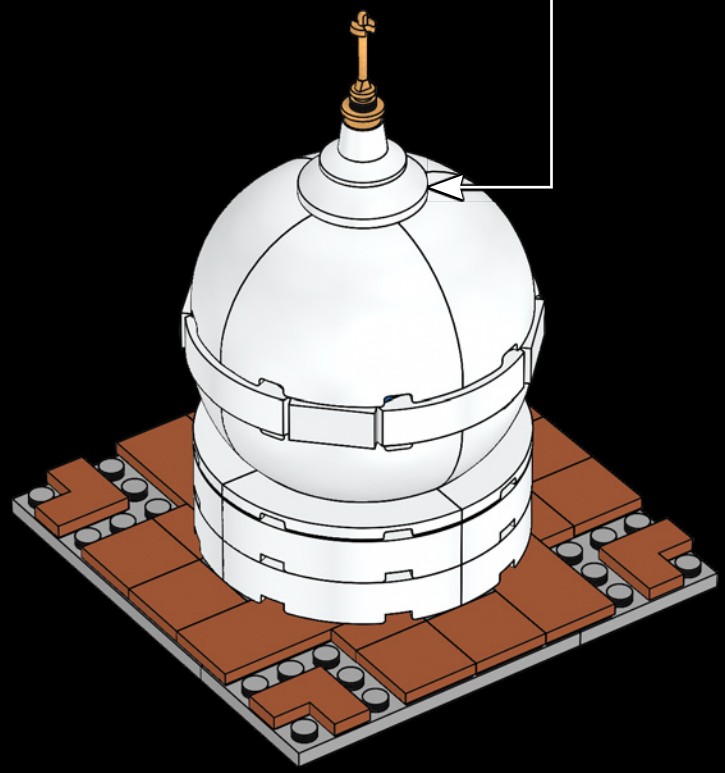

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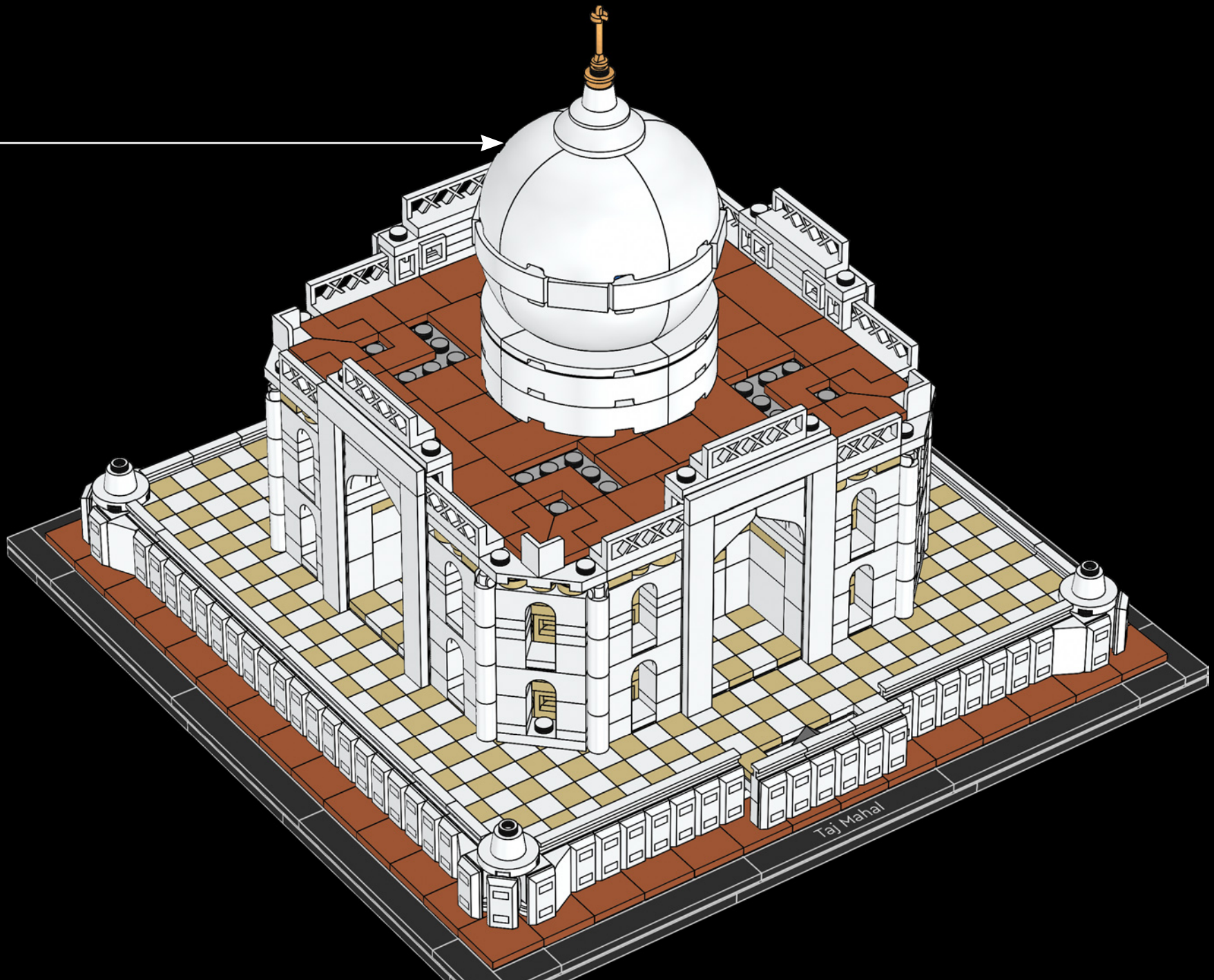

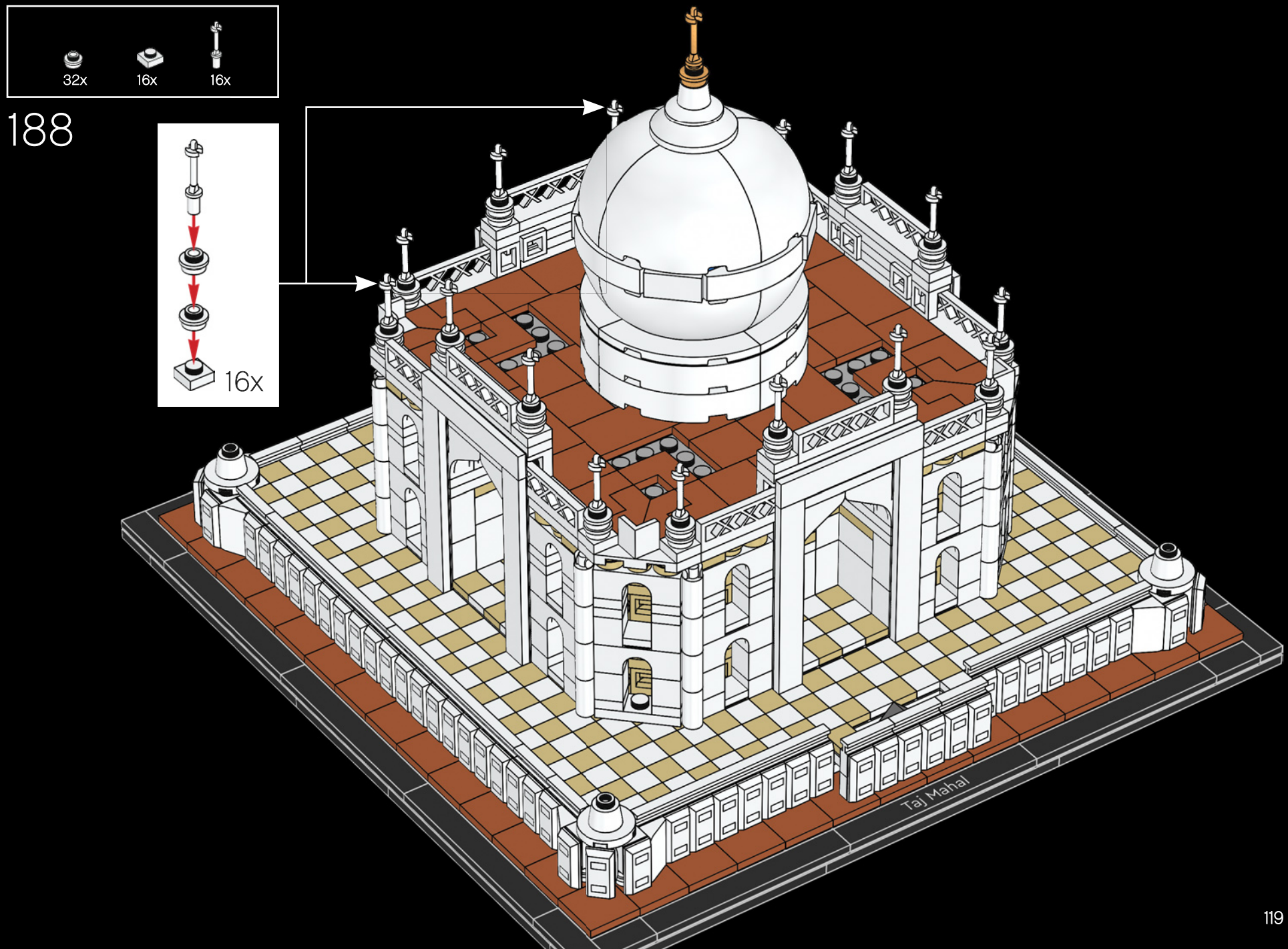
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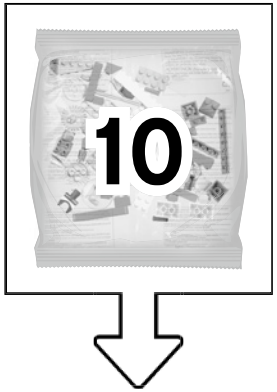

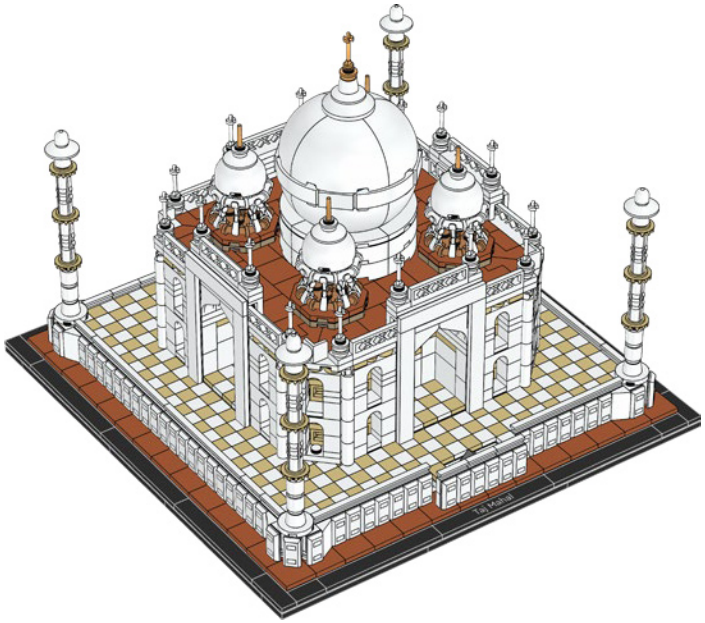

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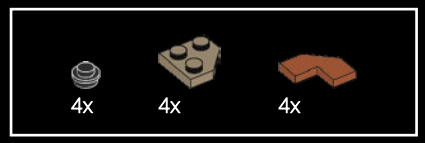

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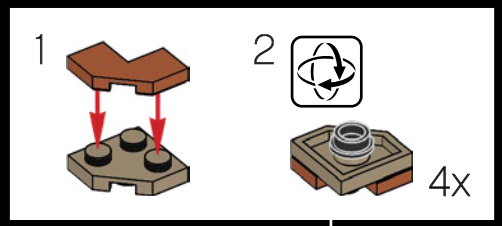

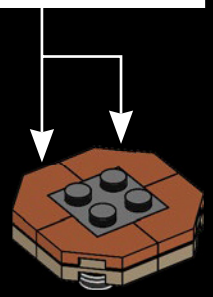

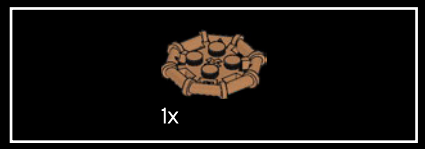

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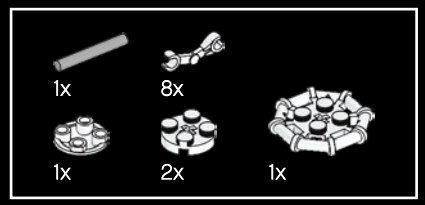

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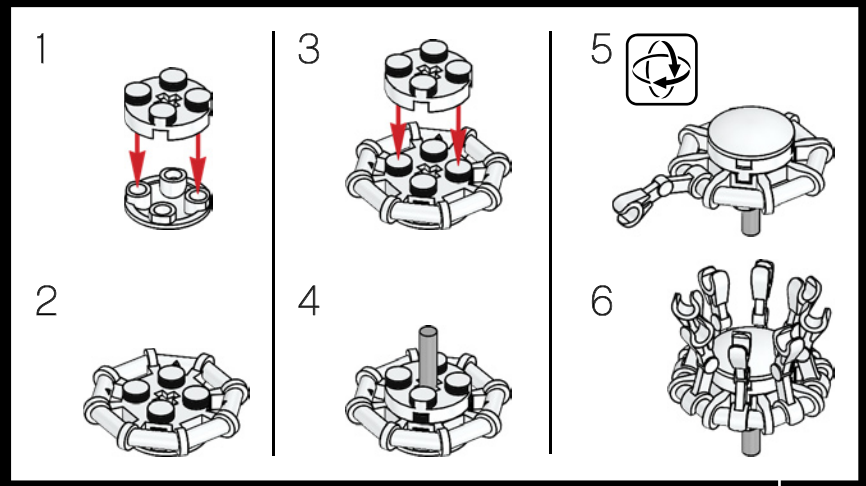

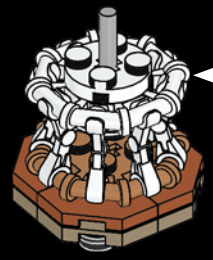

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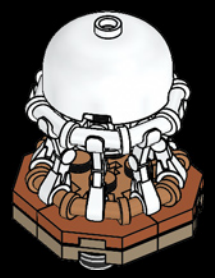

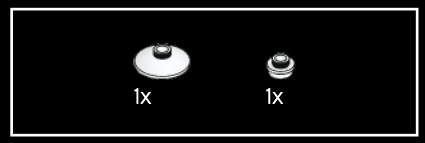

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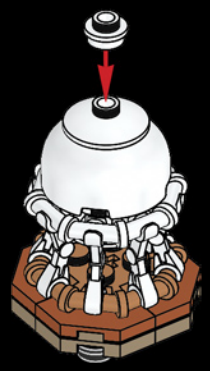

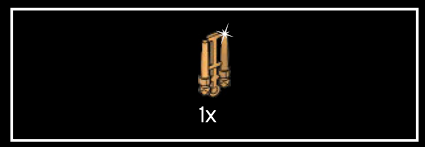

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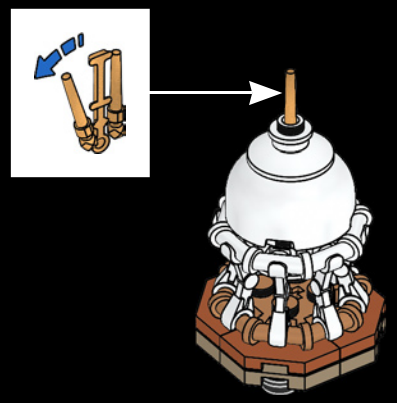

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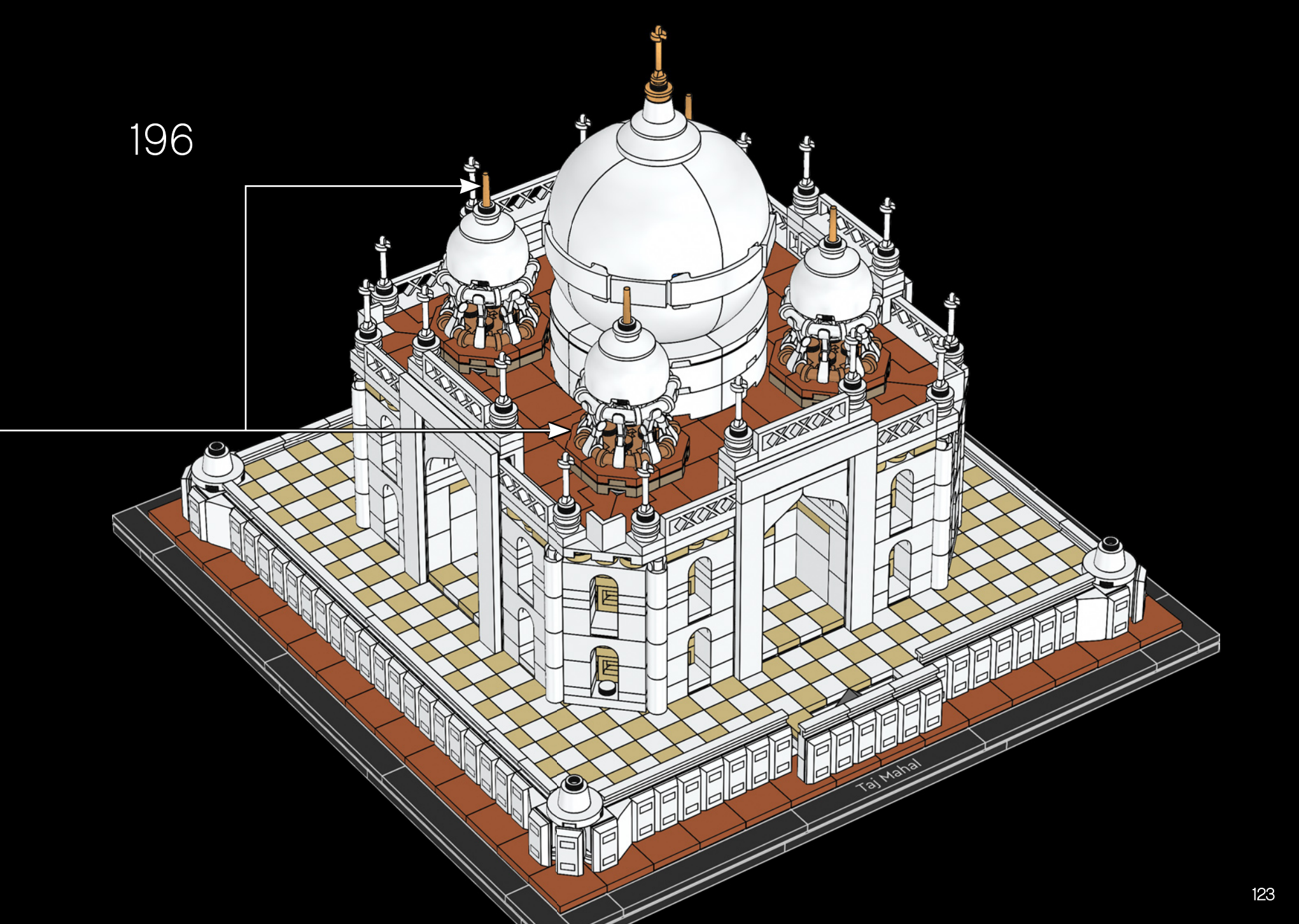

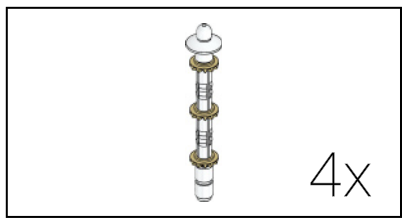

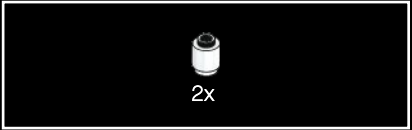

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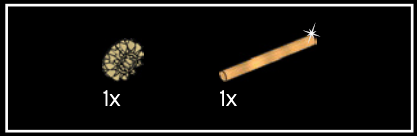

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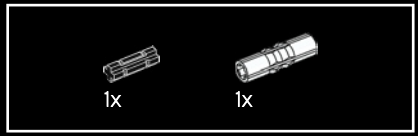

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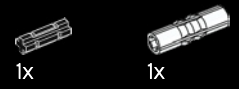

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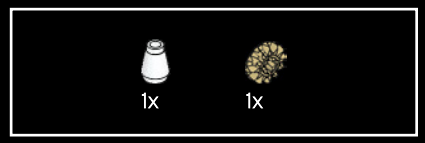

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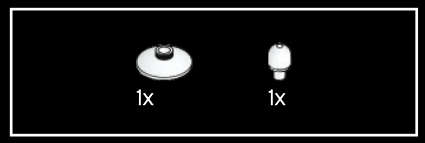

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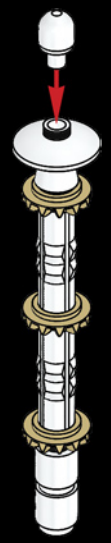

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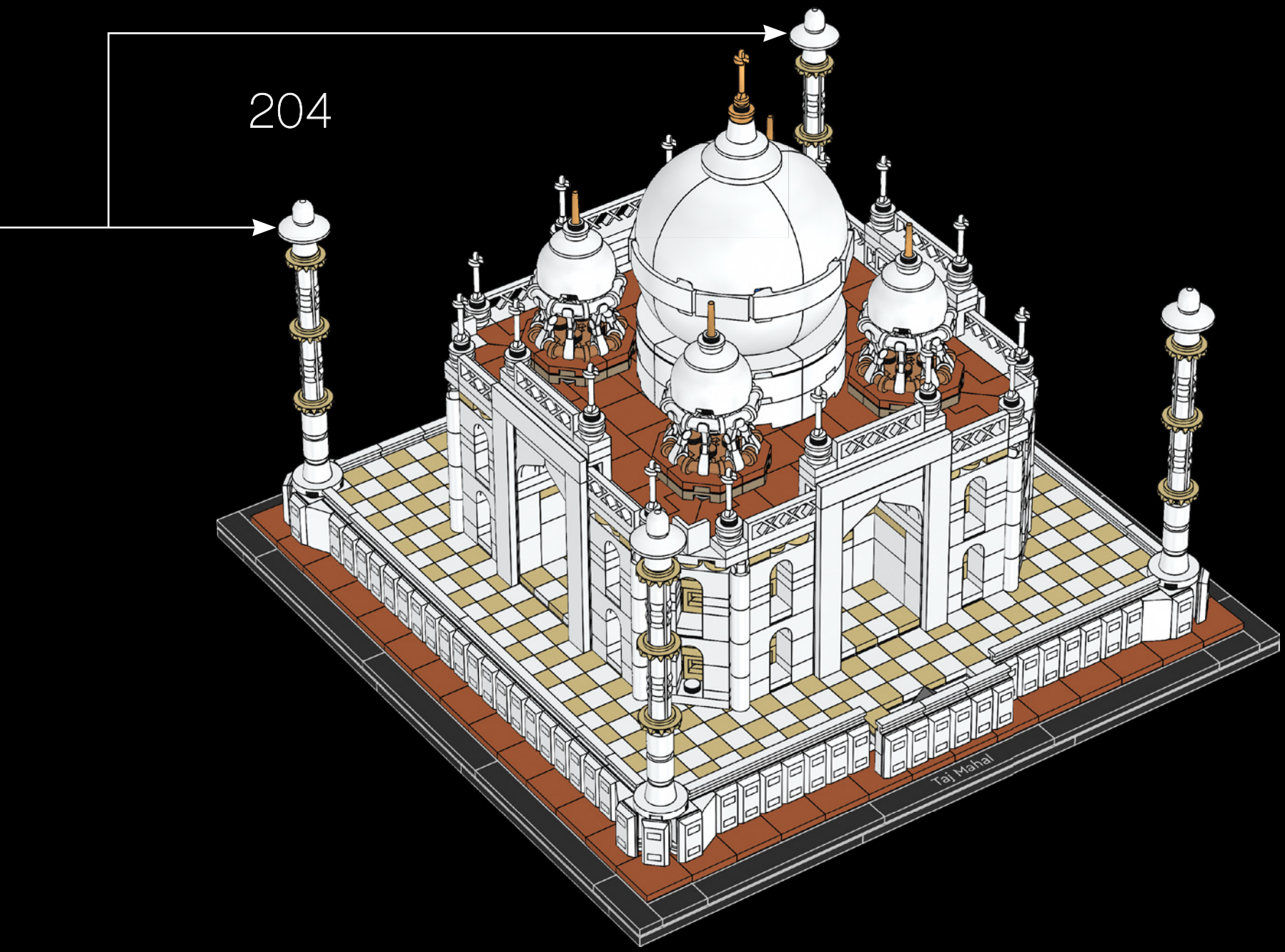
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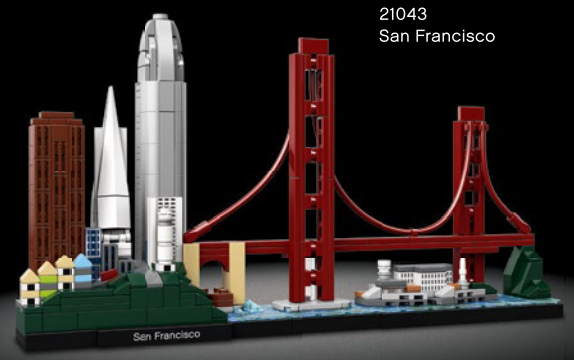

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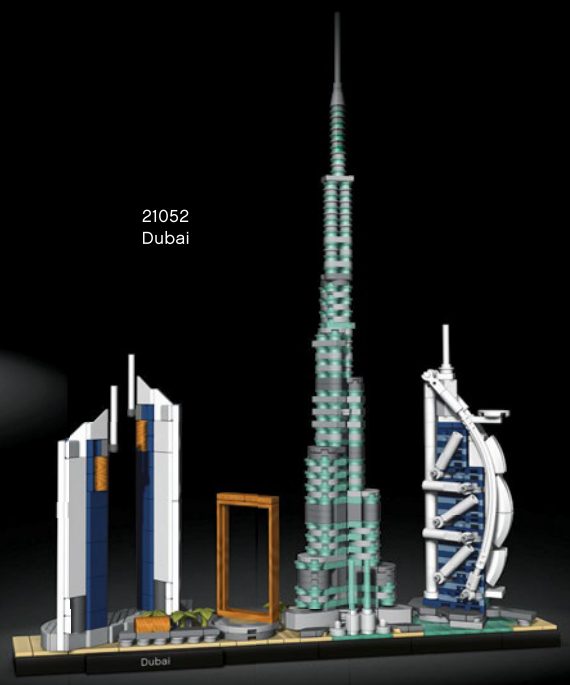

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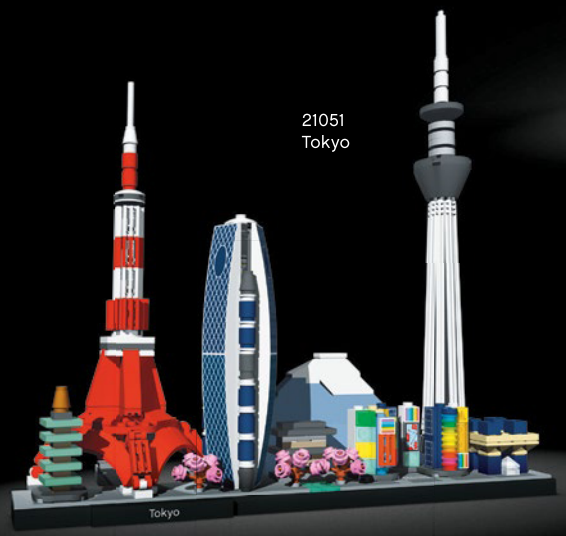

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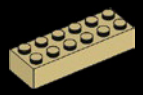
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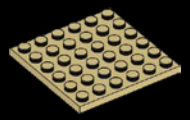
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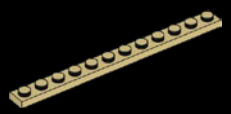
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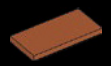
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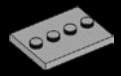
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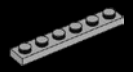
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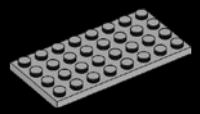
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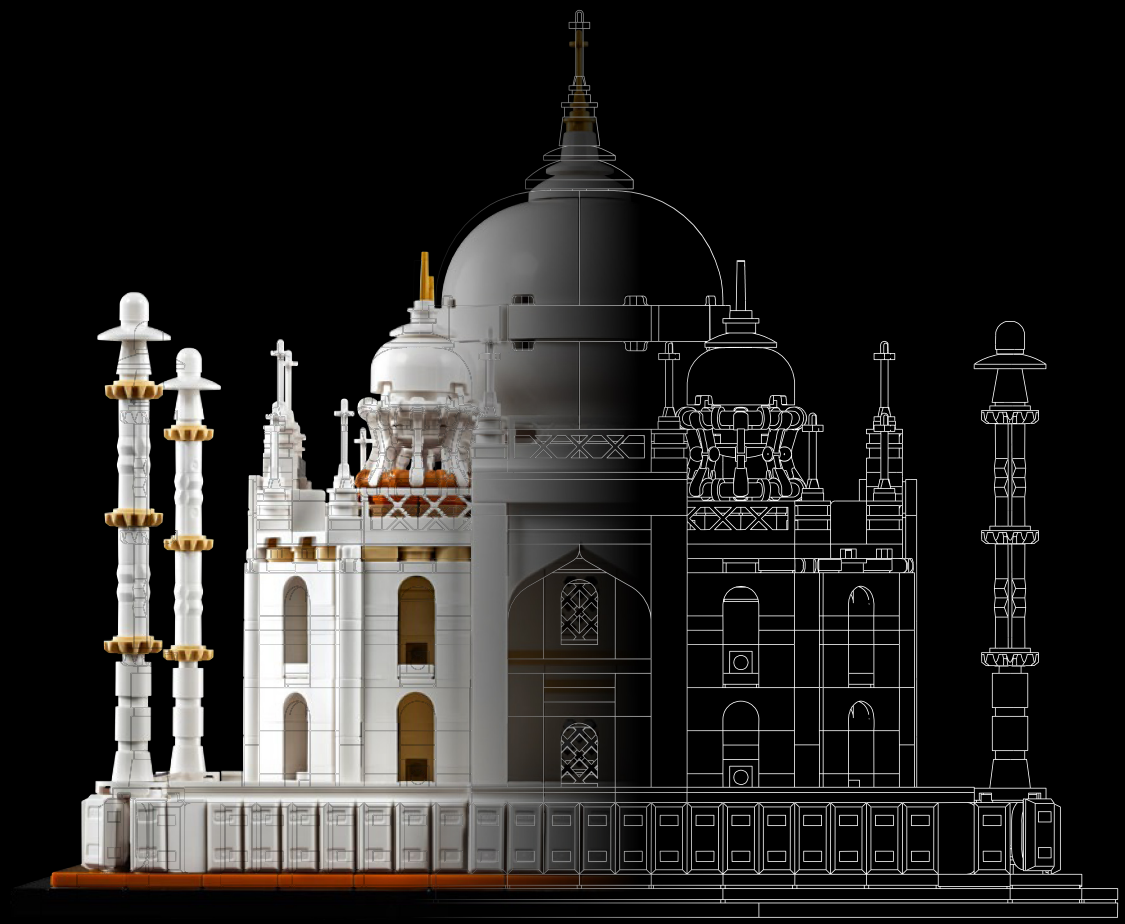

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