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## Introduction

Designed by and named after Greek mathematician Archimedes in the 3rd Century BCE, the Archimedean Solids are a group of thirteen semi-regular convex polyhedra whose faces are composed of regular polygons with symmetrically identical vertices.

The Geometry Kit recreates the Archimedean Solids through a combination of uniquely-designed polygon acrylic plates and tubing of varying sizes. The kit provides an opportunity to explore the forms and language of traditional geometry, and build arrays and combinations of polyhedral forms. It is intended to create familiarity with the terminology and basic form-language of polyhedra and related constructions. The Geometry Kit: Archimedean Polyhedra Folio is intended to accompany the physical kit as a lexicon of parts and complete polyhedra assemblies. The bar scale on each polyhedron cutsheet page can be matched to the laser-cuttable sheets provided in the Geometry Kit to guide assembly.

## Lexicon Geometry




3
facing page
2 Individual geometry kit pieces, as
they appear in unfolding patterns
Individual geometry kit pieces, as
they appear in unfolding patterns

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## Truncated Tetrahedron




ARCHIMEDEAN POLYHEDRA


## Cuboctahedron






## Truncated Cube





## Truncated Octahedron





## Rhombicuboctahedron




ARCHIMEDEAN POLYHEDRA


## Truncated Cuboctahedron




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## Snub Cube





## Icosidodecahedron





## Truncated Dodecahedron



$\square \square=4 \mathrm{~cm} \quad 8 \mathrm{~cm}$


## Truncated Icosahedron





## Rhombicosidodecahedron





## Truncated Icosidodecahedron





## Snub Dodecahedron





## Materials

## Item

ACRYLITE® ${ }^{\circledR}$ Resist ${ }^{\text {TM }} 65$ Acrylic Sheet<br>$8 \times 10$ inches, 3mm thick<br>Specs: 12 sheets for Archimedean Polyhedra<br>2 sheets for Basic Exploration<br>11 sheets for Expanded Exploration



McMaster PVC Tubing
OD 1/4 inch, ID $1 / 8$ inch
Specs: 50/100 ft


McMaster Extruded Acrylic Rod
L10.6mm, D1/8 inch
Specs: 18 pieces



## Cutsheets

## Archimedean Polyhedra




6
facing page
4 Expanded exploration kit allows for assembly of all polyhedra described in this folio, as well as further experimental form-finding

5 Basic exploration kit allows for the assembly of select polyhedra described in this folio.
6 Base and miter board kit




[^0]:    3 Enlarged view of a single geometry
    kit piece showing joint and edge
    details

