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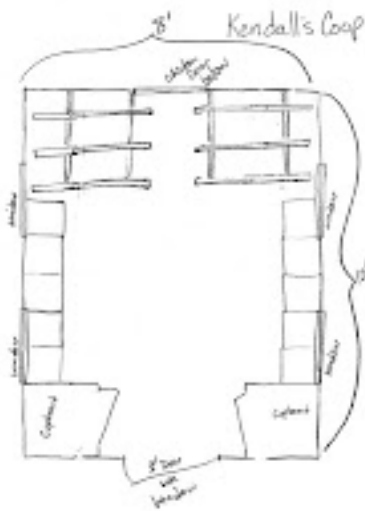

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 Even chickens need a fun place to live, right?

Fancy Builder was contacted by a retired Idaho couple who wanted a chicken coop, but not just any chicken coop.   For the outside, they wanted nice-looking building that would be an enhancement to their property. They also wanted a sturdy wood floor that could handle being moved and a barn-look for the structure. For the inside, they wanted ten nesting boxes. Five on each side with identical nests on both sides of the coop so it could be separated down the middle.

As a sidenote to anyone considering a chicken coop, it can be handy to isolate a group of newly purchased chicks from older chickens who may peck at strange newcomers. It's nice to have a barrier but keep the chickens where they can see and hear and get used to each other. Eventually, when the chickens are all friendly, the barrier is no longer needed.

Inside of Kendall's Coop

Based on all the family's requests, we developed plans for a chicken coop. The coop was designed more like a shed, complete with enough height for an adult to stand up. For the outside, we used vintage barns as our inspiration, complete with red siding and white trim.

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Ready for delivery
   The family loved the plans so we set to work on the project.
   One of the requests for the design was a door with a window on it. I called around and managed to find this French door which everyone liked better than the original door.   Once the structure was complete, we loaded it up for delivery and headed to the coop's new home in Idaho.

Sergei and I never get time alone together, so the delivery was almost like a date for us. When we arrived, the family had invited about 20 friends and family members to watch the delivery.

Complete chicken coop
   When Sergei climbed up onto the roof and attached the cupola and weather vane everyone cheered. Everyone said it was too fancy for chickens but they seemed to appreciate the quality of their new "Fancy Coop."