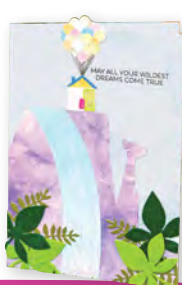


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Shani Thomas continues the tropical vibe on page 82 with her fabulous cards featuring your free Kate Hadfield digital stamps. We've got four for you to download – I'm a particular fan of the Hawaiian shirt and I can see myself using it for many of the masculine birthdays I have this month!

September is quickly approaching which can mean only one thing for many of us: back to school! Emma Fuge is on hand from page 31 to share inspirational ideas for projects guaranteed to calm those first day nerves in style. I don't think I've ever seen such an adorable geometry set as the one featured on page 32!

If you fancy adding a burst of colour onto your projects then look no further than Kim Dellow's masterclass using Ken Oliver's Color Burst powders. Kim shares a range of fun techniques for you to try with step-by-step guides to walk you through them from page 50.

Oh, and how could I forget? We have our annual competition back... with a twist! Our Card Designer of the Year competition has had a makeover with a new name, over £13,000 worth of prizes to be won and a spot on our Design Team up for grabs. Check out the details from page 38 and be inspired to enter today!

Happy papercrafting!

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What's new

Sally Humberstone



Sit back with a cuppa as we bring you the latest from the world of crafts



Entwined embossing

Love is in the air with Leonie Pujol's brand-new range of embossing folders, which have been designed to co-ordinate seamlessly with the Entwined die range. The set features six 5x7" embossing folders with an abundance of hearts in all sizes and styles, making them ideal for all occasions, all year round. The swirls, stripes and filigree patterns are sure to bring variety and texture to your cards for loved ones!

To see the full Entwined collection, visit www.crafterscompanion.co.uk

Final flourishes

Looking for a scrapbook final touch or embellishments worthy of a focal point? Fred Aldous caters for a huge range of paper and soft crafts so there's plenty to choose from when it comes to accessorising your makes. We love the selection of bright quilling stickers from Rico's new Paper Poetry range, plus there's baker's twine in every colour to add professional accents to your cards and projects.

Find more inspiration at www.fredaldous.co.uk



Awesome autumn

Capture the essence of this beautiful season with the brand-new Autumn range from Carta Bella Paper! It features elaborate leaves, harvest scenes, trees, foliage and thankful sentiments in warm red, yellow and orange hues. This latest collection showcases the very best of this transformative season with patterned paper, stamps, dies, embossing folders, stencils, stickers, ephemera, enamel dots and Washi tape. We think it would be lovely for off-the-page makes and papercrafting projects, as well as seasonal home décor.

For UK stockist information, visit www.cartabellapaper.com



Pretty in pink

Kaisercraft is excited to announce its latest collection from the July release, Mademoiselle! Featuring florals and dressmaking sketches, this feminine range contains patterned paper, stamps, stickers and die-cut wood pieces that complement the dusky pink perfectly. The vintage imagery set against damask and lace patterns give this collection a timeless elegance that is particularly well suited to scrapbooking and cardmaking projects.

For UK stockist information, visit www.jonesnottm.co.uk



Flower power

Behold the latest summery collection from We R Memory Keepers, Flower Girl! This brand-new range would suit holiday scrapbooks and cards for women with its touches of pink and yellow amongst bright pops of navy, red and green. Find macaroons, lanterns and fun phrases across retro patterned paper, wood veneers, ephemera and puffy stickers. This fun, floral collection is not to be missed!

Available from
www.onestop-craftshop.com



Falling for fawn

Lawn Fawn's autumn range is here and we can't wait to get our hands on it! The latest release is filled with icons of autumn, including plaid, leaves, forest friends and cosy sentiments that would be perfect for creating cheerful cards and seasonal shaker designs. You'll find plaid paper pads, wintry inkpads, buildable tree dies and cute stamp sets in this must-have collection that's available from the end of August.

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Introducing the MISTI!

The Most Incredible Stamp Tool Invented (MISTI) with its simple hinged design ensures consistent impressions when using clear and cling stamps. Use the two magnets included to position cardstock on the grid, then flip the folder with the stamp attached for an accurate print that's ideal for creating multiple invitations and cards with a professional look. The new mini MISTI is great for on-the-go crafters and comes complete with magnets, grid paper and a foam pad.

Available from www.craftsulove.co.uk



Designer blog spotlight

the daily marker

Here at Simply Cards & Papercraft we love to celebrate designers that are devoted to their creative blogs and crafty creations. We can barely believe that Kathy Racoon, the creative genius behind The Daily Marker, has only been crafting for the past few years! Kathy has a real talent for colouring so to see it for yourself, head to The Daily Marker for regular cardmaking inspiration, techniques and challenges!

Find her lovely blog at www.thedailymarker.com



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Totally tropical

Ingrid Vichova



Ingrid Vichova uses your free gift to create all-occasion cards with a tropical twist!

Simply make

- 1 Create a blue 5½"-square card blank. Apply VersaMark ink onto the debossed side, and emboss a square of white cardstock.
- 2 Cover the embossed panel with pink glitter embossing powder, heat-emboss it then die-cut a circle from the centre of it. Secure the aperture panel onto the card front using 3D foam pads.
- 3 Stamp and heat-emboss the sentiment onto white cardstock and die-cut a circle around it. Affix it onto the circle die-cut from the aperture panel using 3D foam pads.
- 4 Adhere the sentiment panel onto the card front. Stamp and colour the hummingbird onto shrink plastic, then apply heat to it to shrink it to size and affix it next to the sentiment to finish.

Don't miss your bonus project at www.papercraftmagazines.com



You mean so much

Top tip

Use a clear glue such as Ranger Glossy Accents when affixing clear shrink plastic shapes



You will need

(for all cards)

- free gift
- white, black, light green & blue cardstock
- Hunkydory Blossom Fancy Shaped card blanks
- American Crafts Amy Tangerine Plus One Peer 12x12" patterned paper
- acetate
- Tuxedo Black, Pear Tart & Pistachio Memento LUXE inkpads
- VersaMark inepad
- Glacier White Ranger Pigment Ink
- Wilted Violet & Picked Raspberry Ranger Tim Holtz Distress Ink
- clear shrink plastic
- white flat-backed pearls
- Spectrum Noir Sparkle pens
- Pink Sorbet Glitter, white & Clear WOW! embossing powder
- silver eyelets
- Multi Crystal Stampendous! Glitter Mix
- sequins
- Crafts-Too Presscut Circle Nesting dies
- Spellbinders Nestabilities Labels Four dies
- manual die-cutting machine
- heat tool
- We R Memory Keepers FUSE machine & Crop-A-Dile
- scrapbook page protector
- corner-rounder punch
- water spray bottle
- 3D foam pads

Simply make

- 1 Score a $9\frac{3}{4} \times 6\frac{1}{2}$ " panel of white cardstock at $3\frac{1}{4}$ " and $6\frac{1}{2}$ ". Cut from the top-left corner of it to a point 2" up from the bottom-right corner and fold the piece to create the Z-fold card blank.
- 2 Cover the middle panel of the Z-fold card with patterned paper. Stamp and heat-emboss the sentiment, die-cut around it and affix it onto the bottom-right corner of the card front.
- 3 Stamp and heat-emboss three large flowers, five small flowers and some leaves. Colour them, cut them out and use 3D foam pads to affix them onto the top edge of the card blank. Add pearls onto the sentiment panel to finish.

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Special birthday

Another year flies by

Simply make

- 1 Create a white $4\frac{1}{2}$ "-square card blank and cover the card front with light green cardstock. Layer a 4"-square piece of white cardstock on top.
- 2 Scribble blue and green ink from the Spectrum Noir Sparkle pens onto acetate and mist with water. Place a $3\frac{3}{4}$ "-square piece of white cardstock onto it to create a background and allow it to dry.
- 3 Emboss the leaves onto the bottom and right side of the background panel. Apply green pigment ink over the raised areas and heat-emboss them with clear powder.
- 4 Stamp and heat-emboss the flies onto the top-left corner of the background panel and affix it onto the card front as shown using 3D foam pads.
- 5 Stamp and heat-emboss the sentiment and frog. Cut the sentiment into a banner shape and set two eyelets onto the right side of it before using 3D foam pads to secure it onto the card front.
- 6 Colour the frog, cut it out and attach it above the sentiment using 3D foam pads to finish.





Top tip

The We R Memory Keepers FUSE machine is ideal for creating quick, easy and relatively flat shaker panels

Simply make

- 1 Create a white 4¼x5½" card blank. Die-cut a circle of white cardstock and a paper circle. Cover the cardstock circle with Distress Inks, flick water on top and allow it to dry.
- 2 Place the paper die-cut circle into a scrapbook page protector and trace around most of it using the FUSE machine. Remove the paper circle and fill the pocket with sequins and glitter before sealing the shape.
- 3 Trim around the shaker pocket and affix it onto the cardstock circle from Step 1. Use two circle dies to die-cut a white frame and secure it around the shaker pocket.
- 4 Attach the shaker pocket onto the card front. Stamp and heat-emboss the sentiment onto a strip of black cardstock, cut a 'V' into the left side and use 3D foam pads to secure it onto the card front.
- 5 Stamp, heat-emboss and colour the frog. Cut it out and use 3D foam pads to attach it above the sentiment as shown, then round the bottom-left corner of the card blank to finish.

Thinking of you

A little birdie told me

Simply make

- 1 Stamp leaves around the edge of the card front using green pigment ink and heat-emboss them with clear embossing powder.
- 2 Stamp and heat-emboss the sentiment and hummingbird onto the card front as shown. Stamp and heat-emboss one large flower and three small flowers onto white cardstock.
- 3 Colour the hummingbird and flowers, cut out the flowers and affix them around the edge of the card front as shown using 3D foam pads to finish.





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Star Letter

A perfect combination

I had been eagerly awaiting the delivery of issue 151 as I already had the Floral Flutter nesting die and stamp set from issue 134 of *Papercraft Essentials*. I used both gifts to create this card. I embossed pieces of white and black cardstock, removed the central embossed design of the black panel and replaced it with the white one. I highlighted the corners with gold gilding wax to show the embossed design. Then I stamped and heat-embossed the free butterfly stamp twice, die-cut them using the free die and glued them together. I made sure the butterfly wings were lifted for dimension. Thanks for the great gifts with your magazines.

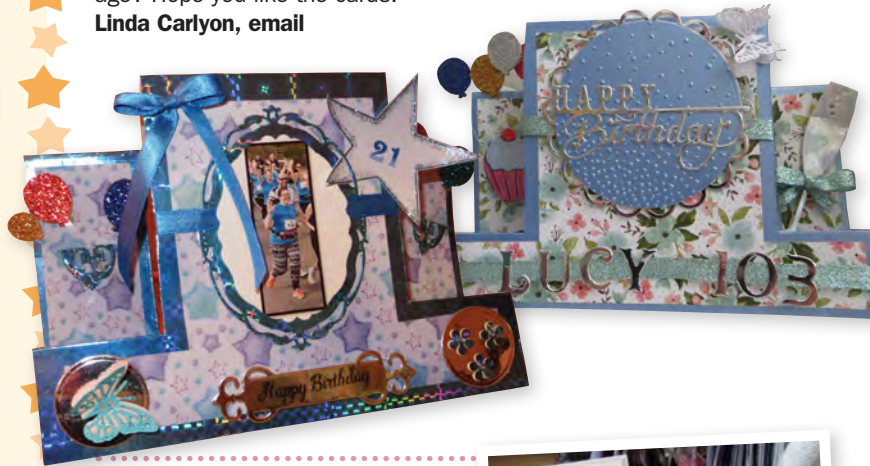
Linda Winckles, email

SCP: What a stylish card, Linda! We love to see our free gifts combined with others from our sister titles, and your beautiful design just goes to show how well the Floral Flutter gifts work together. Congrats on winning this issue's Star Letter prize!

Stepping up!

Issue 150 gave me lots of inspiration to try something different. I've often seen stepper cards but didn't know how to make one. I tried to copy how it was made, first with paper and then with cardstock and I was surprised how well it turned out for my son's friend's birthday card. So then I made another with the lovely Stampin' Up! set that I won in one of your competitions for a lady's 103rd birthday. I don't have any number dies so I used the letters 'I' 'O' and 'B' and trimmed them to make the numbers – that's one of the clever things about crafting: more often than not, you can cheat a bit. And where could you buy a personalised card for that age? Hope you like the cards.

Linda Carlyon, email



Super spinner technique

The free gifts that we received in issue 151 were perfect for me to try my new spinner technique. I started making cards two years ago to help me with my postnatal depression and I'm happy to say I'm getting back on my feet thanks to my prescription with *Simply Cards & Papercraft*! I always look forward to some new inspiration from you. Thank you!

Debbie Solly, Wales



Junior cardmakers!

My seven-year-old grandson and I had a great time with the A Walk in the Park embossing folder, dies and stamp set from the 150th issue. I was delighted that my two grandsons chose to buy this for me following a fall I had at home. We've made six cards together, but this one was his creation – well done, Leo! Thanks for a great magazine which brightened my spirits.

Georgina Leigh, Sandbach



A happy crafter!

Wow! What a day! I spotted the postman walking up the path carrying what looked like an extremely heavy parcel. I opened the door to him and asked if he had the correct address as I was not expecting a delivery. It was a wonderful surprise to discover that I am one of four lucky winners to receive a Die Cuts With A View bundle! I kept repeating to my husband, "I can't believe it, how lucky!" I sat back all day continually looking through all of the stacks. Eventually, late in the evening, I made this simple card using paper from bundle to say thank you from a very happy crafter.

Karen Woolley, Southport



Layered stamping

Inspired by the Altenew free gift with issue 149 I treated myself to another Altenew stamp set. I hope you like my card, not only have I layered the stamping, but I have also layered the flowers themselves using 3D foam pads to create a découpage effect. I think this design could be adapted for Christmas crafting too.

Linda Kitto, Stowbridge



Social snippets

"@SimplyCards_mag – just love the free gift of the Floral Flutter in issue 151."

Created by Penny, Twitter



"Arrived home tonight to find a parcel from Simply Cards & Papercraft. It was a Crafter's Companion Gemini die-cutting machine that I had won in one of the competitions. To say I am flabbergasted would be an understatement. I am thoroughly chuffed. Thank you Simply Cards & Papercraft and Crafter's Companion"

Carol Allen, Facebook



"@SimplyCards_mag this is another one of the Floral Flutter sets made into a card. Love them. So pretty."

Created by Penny, Twitter



Prize crafting!

What a lovely surprise to find two of my cards had won the Star Letter prize in issue 151 of SCP. I was over the moon when the prize arrived on Friday and couldn't wait to try out my new 'toys'. A great big thank you to you and your team for these useful gifts and all the effort you put into producing a most inspirational magazine. The photos show the first results from using my new tools.

The label punch works very well and the little flowers were produced quickly with the small punch and lend themselves for all sorts of sentiments, even a round one for the tag. The scissors are most useful too!

Ruth Orme, Bournemouth



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Marvellous Mason jars

Sue Hughes



Sue Hughes creates on-trend projects featuring new stamps and co-ordinating dies from Stampin' Up!

You will need

- white cardstock
- Stampin' Up! Jar of Love stamp set
- My Favorite Things Sweet Sunshine 6x6" paper pad
- blue, green, orange & yellow inkpads
- VersaMark inkpad
- silver embossing powder
- light blue twine
- Stampin' Up! Everyday Jars Framelits die set
- manual die-cutting machine
- heat tool
- 3D foam pads

Simply make

- 1** Stamp a Mason jar onto patterned paper and the sentiment inside it using blue ink. Cut it out and layer it onto a Mason jar die-cut from white cardstock.
- 2** Stamp and heat-emboss the Mason jar handle and cut around it using the co-ordinating die. Attach it onto the top of the jar from Step 1.
- 3** Stamp a blue jar lid onto patterned paper, cut it out and use 3D foam pads to secure it onto the top of the die-cut jar.
- 4** Tie a piece of blue twine to the jar handle. Stamp a yellow bow and use the co-ordinating die to die-cut it. Affix it onto the handle, on top of the twine.
- 5** Stamp three orange flowers, two yellow flowers and three leaves. Use the corresponding dies to die-cut around them and adhere them onto the jar as shown to finish.

Top tip

Add interest and dimension to your designs by attaching the jars and elements with foam pads

Hello

Flowers for you

You will need

- white, green & yellow cardstock
- Stampin' Up! Jar of Love stamp set
- Echo Park Paper Co. Dots & Stripes Candy Shoppe 6x6" paper pad
- blue, yellow & green inkpads
- VersaMark inepad
- silver embossing powder
- dark green twine
- vellum
- My Favorite Things Die-namics Wonky Stitched Rectangle STAX dies
- Stampin' Up! Everyday Jars Framelits die set
- manual die-cutting machine
- heat tool
- 3D foam pads

Simply make

- 1 Create a white 11.5x14.5cm card blank. Layer green and yellow cardstock onto the card front, leaving narrow borders as shown.
- 2 Adhere yellow patterned paper onto white cardstock and die-cut a rectangle from it, so the yellow panel is at the bottom, and secure it onto the card front.
- 3 Stamp the largest Mason jar onto the centre of the card front and stamp green stems and leaves inside it.
- 4 Stamp, heat-emboss and die-cut the Mason jar. Die-cut an aperture inside it and affix a piece of vellum behind it. Attach a stamped sentiment as shown.
- 5 Wrap green twine around the top of the jar and use 3D foam pads to secure it onto the card front. Embellish the jar with stamped and die-cut flowers and leaves to finish.



Simply make

- 1 Create a white 17x11.5cm card blank and layer yellow and green cardstock onto the card front, leaving narrow borders as shown.

- 2 Stamp the sentiment and flowers onto a 15x10cm piece of white cardstock. Secure a piece of patterned paper across the bottom and affix it onto the card front.

- 3 Stamp and die-cut three Mason jars from coloured cardstock, including the sentiment inside the yellow jar, and use 3D foam pads to attach them onto the card front.

Thanks

You will need

- Stampin' Up! Jar of Love stamp set
- white, green, blue & yellow cardstock
- blue & yellow inkpads
- VersaMark inepad
- white embossing powder
- Lawn Fawn Let's Polka in the Dark 6x6" paper pad
- Stampin' Up! Everyday Jars Framelits die set
- manual die-cutting machine
- heat tool
- 3D foam pads

- 4 Stamp, heat-emboss and die-cut two fireflies and secure them onto the blue Mason jar as shown to finish.

You will need

- green, blue, white & yellow cardstock
- white 14cm-square card blank
- Stampin' Up! Jar of Love stamp set
- My Favorite Things Dots & Stripes Sorbet 6x6" paper pad
- blue inkpad
- acetate
- heart-shaped sequins
- Stampin' Up! Everyday Jars Framelits die set
- manual die-cutting machine
- scoreboard & embossing-ball tool
- 3D foam pads

Simply make

- 1 Affix a 13.5cm-square piece of green cardstock onto the card front and

layer a 13x13.5cm piece of patterned paper on top.

- 2 Emboss a frame onto an 11.5x13.5cm piece of white cardstock. Stamp the sentiment onto the top-right corner and secure the frame onto the card front.
- 3 Stamp and die-cut the Mason jar and die-cut an aperture from it. Die-cut a Mason jar from acetate and affix it behind the aperture jar.
- 4 Affix 3D foam pads around the edges of the aperture jar on the reverse, place heart-shaped sequins and hearts die-cut from cardstock onto the top-left corner of the card front and place the jar on top.
- 5 Secure more sequin and die-cut hearts onto the card front to suggest that they're falling out of the jar to finish.



Throw kindness around

Best fishes

You will need

- white card blank
- white, blue & yellow cardstock
- Stampin' Up! Jar of Love stamp set
- My Favorite Things Sweet Sunshine 6x6" paper pad
- black inkpad
- Clearly Besotted Many Mini Messages stamp set
- acetate
- blue enamel dots
- My Favorite Things Die-namics Stitched Mini Scallop Circle & Circle STAX dies
- Go Kreate Large Frames Frilly #10 dies
- Stampin' Up! Everyday Jars Framelits die set
- Marianne Design Dutch Dots embossing folder
- manual die-cutting machine
- 3D foam pads

Simply make

- 1 Use the large Frame Frilly die to die-cut a shaped card blank, ensuring the die overhangs the card fold. Use the same die to die-cut a shape from patterned paper.
- 2 Affix the large die-cut shape onto the card front and layer a smaller yellow one on top. Draw around the smaller die used onto blue cardstock and cut it out.
- 3 Emboss the blue shape and layer it on top of the yellow shape. Stamp the jar and water onto white cardstock, die-cut a circle around it and attach it onto the card front.
- 4 Stamp and die-cut the goldfish and use 3D foam pads to attach it onto the jar. Stamp and cut out the sentiments from yellow cardstock.
- 5 Die-cut a scalloped circle and a jar-shaped aperture from it. The secure acetate behind the aperture and use 3D foam pads to affix it onto the card front. Add the sentiments and enamel dots to finish.



Simply shopping

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Super stencils!

Jo Rice



Jo Rice shares her top tips and tricks to use the Brother ScanNCut machine to create your own designer stencils!

Birthday butterflies

You will need

- Brother CM900 ScanNCut machine
- A4 Mylar stencil sheets
- white 20cm-square card blank
- Mint, white, turquoise & light green cardstock
- Dirty Martini & Calypso Teal Ranger Dylusions Ink Spray
- yellow pearl
- 3D glue gel

Simply make

- 1 Use the ScanNCut to select and cut the sentiment (LO-A031) from a stencil sheet so it measures 13x9.6cm. Keep the cut out sentiment to act as a mask.
- 2 Place the mask onto a 17x13cm piece of white cardstock and spray the Dylusions sprays on top. Carefully remove the mask, clean it and leave the sprayed cardstock to dry.
- 3 Adhere strips of Mint and light green cardstock across the card front to create a ray-like design from the centre. Cut away any excess overhanging the edges.
- 4 Mount the sentiment panel onto white and turquoise cardstock, leaving narrow borders as shown. Secure the panel across the centre of the card front.
- 5 Use the ScanNCut to cut three butterflies (AR-C021) from white cardstock, cover them with Dylusions sprays and allow them to dry.
- 6 Assemble the butterflies and attach them onto the sentiment panel using 3D glue gel. Add a pearl onto the dot of the 'i' on the sentiment to finish



Top tip

Consider applying sprays onto your projects inside an old cardboard box to protect the area around your workspace

You will need

- Brother CM900 ScanNCut machine
- A4 Mylar stencil sheets
- white 17cm-square card blank
- Mint & white cardstock
- Claritystamp Butterfly & Happy Birthday Flourish stamps
- Jet Black Ranger Archival Ink
- Mustard Seed, Twisted Citron, Mowed Lawn & Peacock Feathers Ranger Tim Holtz Distress Ink
- ink-blending tool
- black marker
- yellow pearl
- 3D glue gel

- 2 Use the ScanNCut machine to scan the traced image and store it on the machine, then cut it out from a stencil sheet.
- 3 Place the stencil onto the bottom-left corner of a 15cm-square piece of white cardstock and apply Distress Inks through it, blending the colours as shown.
- 4 Stamp the sentiment towards the top-right corner of the stencilled piece then secure the stencil above it and apply Distress Inks through it.
- 5 Draw a black border around the edge of the stencilled piece and layer it onto Mint cardstock before affixing it onto the card front.
- 6 Stamp a butterfly onto white cardstock, cut it out and use 3D glue gel to secure it below the sentiment. Place a gem onto the centre of stencilled design on the bottom to finish.

Simply make

- 1 Draw the desired design onto paper, then use a black pen to trace over it to help the machine detect the design for Step 2.

Top tip

Use the ScanNCut's scan function to design your own shapes to create customised stencils and more!



Happy birthday



Bee happy

You will need

- Brother CM900 ScanNCut machine
- A4 Mylar stencil sheets
- Mint & white cardstock
- Jet Black Ranger Archival Ink
- Claritystamp Health, Wealth, Happiness & Blooming stamp sets
- Juniper & Stream Ranger Adirondack Alcohol Ink
- Brushed Corduroy Ranger Tim Holtz Distress Ink
- stencil brush
- ink-blending tool
- yellow marker
- green organza ribbon
- 3D glue gel

25cm square and create a pattern with it. Cut the design from a stencil sheet.

- 2 Select the tag shape and cut one from Mint cardstock measuring 10x15cm and a slightly smaller white one.
- 3 Place the stencil over the white tag and apply inks through it, starting with blue at the bottom and working up to green tone at the top.
- 4 Remove the stencil then affix the white tag onto the Mint tag and thread ribbon through the top.
- 5 Ink the edges of the tag. Stamp the bees and sentiment onto white cardstock, cut them out and colour the bees. Use 3D glue gel to secure them onto the tag to finish.

Simply make

- 1 Use the ScanNCut to select the octagon shape (BA0A044), resize it to

At sea

You will need

- Brother CM900 ScanNCut machine
- A4 Mylar stencil sheets
- white 18x13cm card blank
- white & light green cardstock
- Jet Black Ranger Archival Ink
- VersaMark inks
- Claritystamp Galleon & Ocean Swirls stamp set
- metal embellishment
- Phthalo Blue Tint, Permanent Green Tint, turquoise & Hansa Yellow PanPastels
- sponge applicator
- Ranger Glossy Accents
- eraser
- black marker
- 3D glue

Simply make

- 1 Load the BO-A004 border design on the ScanNCut machine, resize it to measure 17x1.7cm and create three, aligning them to create waves.
- 2 Cut the wave design from a stencil sheet. Affix the stencil across the bottom of a 16x10cm piece of white cardstock and press VersaMark ink through it.
- 3 Remove and clean the stencil, then apply PanPastel colours onto the inked panel to cover it and reveal the stencilled pattern.
- 4 Erase some of the PanPastels from the panel to create clouds and sea foam on the top wave. Edge the sides of the panel with a black marker.
- 5 Layer the main panel onto light green cardstock, affix it onto the card front and secure the metal embellishment onto the bottom-left corner.
- 6 Stamp the ship twice onto white cardstock, cover them with PanPastel before cutting one out and cutting the middle sails of the remaining one.
- 7 Attach the ship onto the right side of the waves and use 3D glue gel to découpage the central sails onto the ship. Add Glossy Accents onto the waves and ship to finish.



Simply shopping

♥ For more information about the range of Brother ScanNCut machines, visit www.scanncut.co.uk

♥ The Brother CM900 ScanNCut machine is available to purchase from www.createandcraft.tv



You will need

- Brother CM900 ScanNCut machine
- A4 Mylar stencil sheets
- white & turquoise cardstock
- Jet Black Ranger Archival Ink
- blue baker's twine
- gel pen
- iridescent glitter
- Claritystamp Make a Wish stamp
- Lettuce, Meadow & Butterscotch Ranger Adirondack Alcohol Ink
- paper flower
- corner-rounder punch
- 3D glue gel
- black fine-line pen

Simply make

- 1 Use the ScanNCut to select the flower (AR-A015), resize it to measure 3cm square and create a pattern with it. Cut this design from a stencil sheet.
- 2 Select the door hanger shape on the ScanNCut and cut it as a shaped card blank. Secure the stencil onto the card front and apply ink through it.
- 3 Trace over areas of the stencilled design with a glue pen, sprinkle glitter on top and allow it to dry. Stamp the sentiment, cut it out, round the corners and ink the edges.
- 4 Secure the sentiment onto the card front and draw a dashed border around the edge of the sentiment and hanger as shown.
- 5 Secure a paper flower along with strands of baker's twine onto the bottom-left corner of the sentiment as shown to finish.



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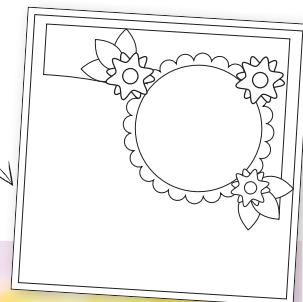
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Birthday wishes



Małgorzata Dudzińska combines beautiful botanicals and summer colours with this issue's sketch create to stunning birthday cards



This issue's sketch has been created by Małgorzata Dudzińska.

You will need

- white cardstock
- UHK Gallery On My Owl papers
- Studio75 Lavender Morning patterned paper
- Memory Box Botanical Stem die
- Rosy Owl Water Leaves die
- Spellbinders Nestabilities Curved Borders One dies
- sentiment stamp
- Beautiful Rose stamp set & embossing folder free with *Simply Cards & Papercraft 148*
- Tuxedo Black Memento inkpad
- sisal
- Scrapiniec Doily Lace Rosette chipboard shape
- paper flowers
- purple glitter dots
- manual die-cutting machine
- 3D foam pads



Simply make

- 1 Create a white 13cm-square card blank and cover the card front with patterned paper, leaving a narrow border.
- 2 Die-cut a curved border into a 12x6cm panel of

contrasting paper and layer it onto the top of the card front using 3D foam pads.

- 3 Adhere the chipboard shape onto the border and stamp

the sentiment at the bottom of the card front as shown.

- 4 Embellish the card front with die-cut leaves, paper flowers, sisal and glitter dots to finish.

Top tip

Use a variety of paper flowers of different colour and size to add interest to your design



From the heart

You will need

- white cardstock
- UHK Gallery On My Owl papers
- Studio75 Lavender Morning papers
- Memory Box Botanical Stem die
- Rosy Owl Water Leaves die
- Spellbinders Nestabilities Curved Borders One dies
- Marianne Design Craftables Hearts die
- manual die-cutting machine
- Scrapiniec Park Avenue Heart chipboard shape
- sisal
- paper flowers
- purple glitter dots
- 3D foam pads
- pearls

Simply make

- 1 Create a white 13cm-square card blank and cover the card front with patterned paper, leaving a narrow border.
- 2 Die-cut a curved border into a 7x12cm panel of contrasting paper, layer it onto the right side of the card front using 3D foam pads and add pearls along the edge.
- 3 Adhere the chipboard shape onto a die-cut heart and
- 4 mount it onto the card front using 3D foam pads.
- 5 Embellish the card design with die-cut leaves, sisal, paper flowers, glitter dots and pearls to finish.

Sweet 16

You will need

- white cardstock
- UHK Gallery On My Owl papers
- Studio75 Lavender Morning papers
- Memory Box Botanical Stem die
- Rosy Owl Water Leaves die
- Spellbinders Nestabilities Curved Borders One dies
- Spellbinders D-Lites Pierced Delight die set
- My Favorite Things Die-namics By the Numbers die set
- manual die-cutting machine
- Scrapiniec Spring Prodigy Wreath 1 chipboard shape
- paper flowers
- sisal
- purple glitter dots
- 3D foam pads

Simply make

- 1 Create a white 11x16cm card blank and layer patterned paper onto the card front, leaving a narrow border.
- 2 Die-cut a curved border into a 7x10cm panel of contrasting paper and layer it across the bottom of the card front using 3D foam pads.
- 3 Die-cut the numbers, layer them onto a die-cut doily and affix them onto the card front as shown using 3D foam pads.
- 4 Embellish the card front with chipboard shapes, die-cut leaves, paper flowers, sisal and glitter dots to finish.

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Birthday boy



Vicky Plowman-Render shares a quick birthday card perfect for the man in your life!

You will need

- white 21x10cm card blank
- green & yellow cardstock
- Sara Signature Just for Men Brights paper pad
- Sara Signature Just for Men On Your Birthday embossing folder & Special Birthday die
- Walnut Stain Ranger Tim Holtz Distress Ink
- manual die-cutting machine
- yellow ribbon

Simply make

- 1 Cut a 20x9cm panel of green cardstock.
- 2 Emboss a 4x8cm panel of patterned paper, ink the edges and adhere it to the right side of the green panel.
- 3 Ink the edges of a 15x8cm panel of contrasting paper, affix it onto the left side of the green panel and cover the join between the panels with ribbon.
- 4 Die-cut the sentiment from yellow and green cardstock, alternating each letter. Secure it onto the main panel as shown then affix it onto the card front to finish.

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Emma Fuge



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You will need

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- Foxy Friends & Barnyard Babies stamp sets
- Crumb Cake & Pool Party inkpads
- Tuxedo Black Memento inkpad
- Whisper White, Crumb Cake & Calypso Coral cardstock
- watercolour paper
- A Little Foxy Designer Series Paper Stack
- Calypso Coral Thick baker's twine
- silver metallic thread
- Fox Builder punch
- stapler
- Aqua Painter
- 3D foam pads

front and stamp the trees onto it using Crumb Cake.

- 2 Press the Pool Party inkpad while closed, open it and use an Aqua Painter to collect the ink pressed onto the lid and paint it around the trees.
- 3 Secure the tree panel onto the card front and layer two contrasting pieces of patterned paper, slightly offset, across the bottom as shown.
- 4 Stamp the sentiment onto the left side of a strip of white cardstock, ink the edges and cut the left side at an angle.
- 5 Staple a twine bow onto the right side of the sentiment strip and secure it across the bottom of the card front.

Simply make

- 1 Create a Crumb Cake $4\frac{1}{4} \times 5\frac{1}{2}$ " card blank. Cut a piece of watercolour paper slightly smaller than the card

- 6 Stamp, punch and assemble the fox then affix it onto the card front, looping silver thread behind it. Add a stamped rosette onto the fox to finish.

You will need

(all supplies from Stampin' Up! unless stated)

- Foxy Friends & You've Got This stamp sets
- Crumb Cake, Smoky Slate & Basic Grey inkpads
- Jet Black StāzOn inkpad
- Whisper White cardstock
- A Little Foxy Designer Series Paper Stack
- Fox Builder punch
- corner-rounder punch
- geometry set (from own supplies)
- 3D foam pads

Simply make

- 1 Measure the lid of the geometry set, cut a piece of patterned paper approximately $\frac{1}{2}$ " smaller and round the corners.
- 2 Stamp the sentiment onto the patterned paper panel

and affix it onto the lid of the geometry set. Add a strip of white cardstock down the left side as shown.

- 3 Stamp the raccoon, punch it out and secure it onto the white panel using 3D foam pads for dimension to finish.

Geometry set



All ready for school!



Mini backpack



You will need

(all supplies from Stampin' Up! unless stated)

- Foxy Friends stamp set
- Tuxedo Black Memento inkpad
- Crumb Cake inkpad
- A Little Foxy Designer Series Paper Stack
- Pool Party, Smoky Slate, Calypso Coral & Whisper White cardstock
- Fox Builder, 1¼" circle & 1⅜" circle punches
- Gift Bag Punch Board
- corner-rounder punch
- Velcro dots (from own supplies)
- 3D foam pads

Simply make

- 1 Cut a 7x10" piece of Pool Party cardstock and score the lines to create a small gift bag using the Punch Board.
- 2 Cut off the shorter top pieces of the panel, except for the one furthest right that will form the backpack, and round the corners.
- 3 Cut a 2½x2¾" and a 2½x5½" piece of patterned paper. Round the bottom corners of the longer strip.
- 4 Secure the panels from Step 3 onto the backpack to cover the front and reverse, then assemble it and add strips of cardstock to create handles.
- 5 Stamp a cat and punch it out. Layer it along with punched circles onto the flap. Add Velcro dots to the reverse of the flap and onto the backpack to fasten it.

Personalised notebook

You will need

(all supplies from Stampin' Up! unless stated)

- Thoughtful Banners & Brushwork Alphabet stamp sets
- Crumb Cake, & Calypso Coral inkpads
- Tuxedo Black Memento inkpad
- Whisper White & Smoky Slate cardstock
- A Little Foxy Designer Series Paper Stack
- Smoky Slate stitched ribbon
- Duet Banner punch
- Project Life Cards & Labels Framelits die set
- manual die-cutting machine
- spiral notebook (from own supplies)
- 3D foam pads



Step by step



1 Draw around the front cover of the notepad onto patterned paper, cut it out and affix it onto the cover.



2 Trim any excess paper overhanging the edges of the notebook and ink the edges with Crumb Cake ink. Tie ribbon around the spiral-bound edge as shown.



3 Stamp the banner onto white cardstock, stamp the name inside and use the Duet Banner punch to punch out the shape.



4 Die-cut a banner and label, layer them onto the bottom-right corner of the notebook and use 3D foam pads to attach the name on top to finish.

You will need

(all supplies from Stampin' Up! unless stated)

- Foxy Friends & Labeler Alphabet stamp sets
- Crumb Cake & Pumpkin Pie inkpads
- Tuxedo Black Memento inkpad
- Whisper White & Basic Black cardstock
- Fox Builder punch
- blender pens
- Post-it note (from own supplies)
- 3D foam pads

sentiment across the bottom of the card front as shown.

- 2 Place a Post-it note below the tiger and use a blender pen and Crumb Cake ink to create dry grass by using an upward flicking motion.
- 3 Remove the Post-it note. Punch out ears from black cardstock and affix them onto the body and tail of the fox to transform it into a tiger.
- 4 Stamp the fox head onto white cardstock and punch it out along with a smaller white shape. Layer them together and stamp the features onto it as shown.

Simply make

- 1 Create a white 4"-square card blank and stamp the fox onto the centre of the card front. Stamp the
- 5 Use 3D foam pads to attach the head from Step 4 onto the tiger stamped onto the card front to finish.

Go get 'em!



Tissue holder



You will need

(all supplies from Stampin' Up! unless stated)

- Foxy Friends & Thoughtful Banners stamp sets
- Crumb Cake & Tangerine Tango inkpads
- Tuxedo Black Memento inkpad
- Smoky Slate, Calypso Coral & Whisper White cardstock
- A Little Foxy Designer Series Paper Stack
- Fox Builder & Duet Banner punches
- corner-rounder punch
- pack of tissues (from own supplies)

of the larger panel that will wrap around the tissues.

- 3 Round the bottom corners of the top flap of the tissue holder and cover the front and back of it with patterned paper as shown. Place the tissues inside.
- 4 Punch, stamp and assemble a fox. Attach it to the front of the tissue holder using 3D foam pads and tuck the flap behind it.
- 5 Stamp the banner with the sentiment inside, punch it out and secure it below the fox to finish.

Simply make

- 1 Cut a 2½x11¼" piece of Smoky Slate cardstock and score it at 2¾", 3⅝", 7¾" and 8⅝". Cut a second piece measuring 1½x7" and score it at 1⅜", 2⅜" and 5⅜".
- 2 Fold and assemble the smaller panel of cardstock to form the inside of the tissue holder and affix it to the base



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Clair Matthews



Top tip

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Let's party

You will need

- Fuzzy Lemon Let's Party die
- white 14.5cm-square card blank
- Simple Stories Say Cheese Collection & Say Cheese 2 6x6" paper pad
- white, red, black & yellow cardstock
- manual die-cutting machine
- 3D foam pads

Simply make

- 1 Layer a 14cm-square piece of patterned paper onto black cardstock, leaving a narrow border, and affix it onto the card front.
- 2 Place pieces of white cardstock behind the apertures of the circular slide reel sticker and use 3D foam pads to secure it onto the top-left corner of the card front.
- 3 Cut out two tickets and attach them next to the

circular slide reel so that they're overlapping as shown.

- 4 Die-cut the sentiment, secure yellow cardstock behind the apertures on the word 'PARTY' and use 3D foam pads to attach it onto a panel of white cardstock.
- 5 Layer the sentiment onto red cardstock, leaving a narrow border, and use 3D foam pads

to affix it onto the bottom-right corner of the card front.

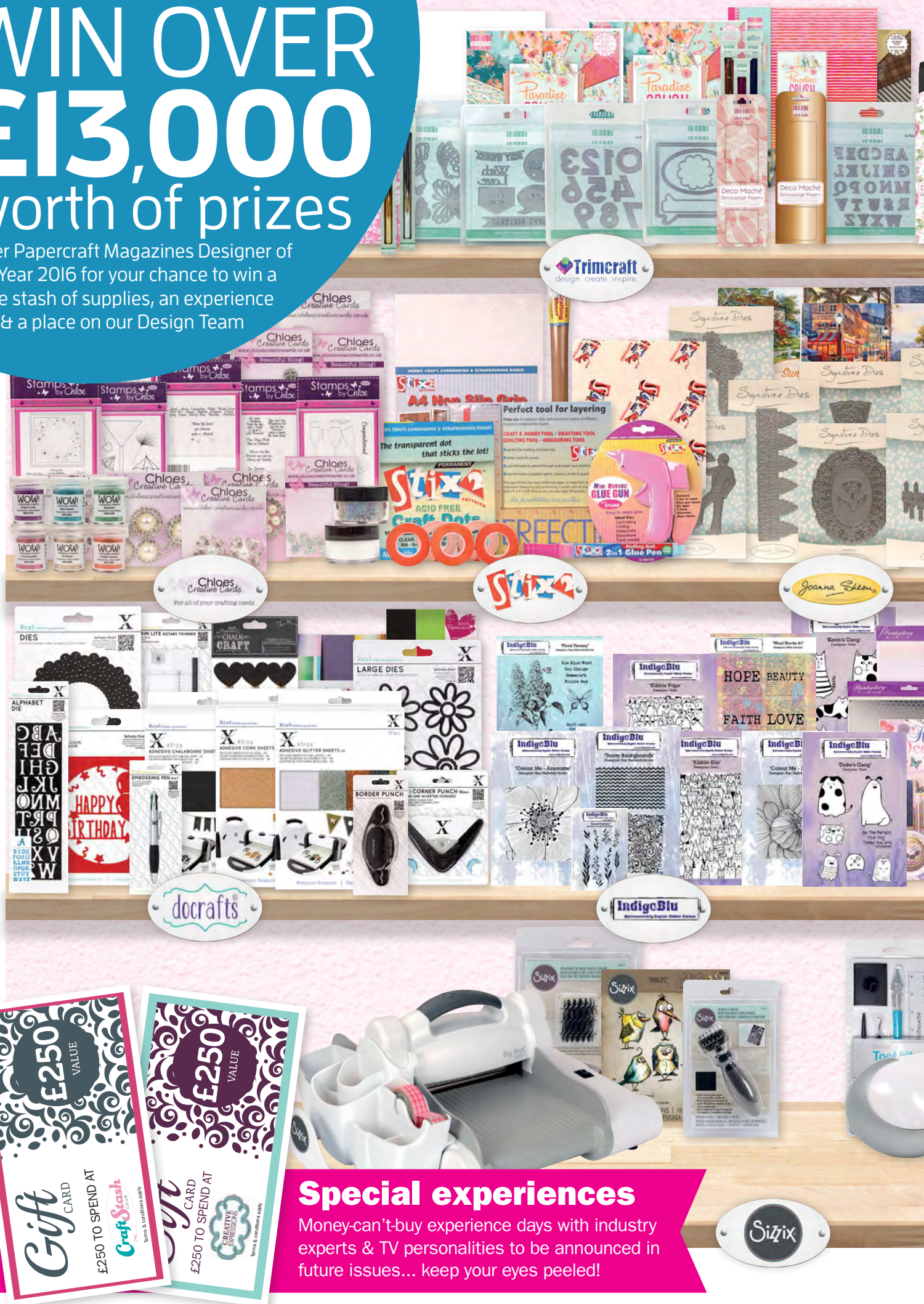
- 6 Place a clapperboard sticker over the top-left corner of the sentiment panel on the card front as shown to finish.

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Designer of the Year 2016

Welcome to our annual Papercraft Magazines Designer of the Year competition! It's that time again when we look for the best designers around – as well as winning a huge bundle of prizes, and the chance to be part of the Papercraft Magazines Design Team, our four winners will also receive a special experience day with an industry expert!



Every entrant who signs up at www.papercraftmagazines.com/PMDY2016 receives a free digital copy of Cards & Crafts for Christmas issue 9, worth £7.99!

The criteria

We're looking for four designers who can show a multitude of talents in their papercrafting, along with creativity and originality. For your chance to win, you will need to submit two cards and one other papercraft project (this can be a scrapbook page, a mini book or any other off-the-page item, but strictly no cards for the third entry) so that we can get a good idea of your range.

How to enter

Read the following information carefully, create your projects and send them to:

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Past winners

The Papercraft Magazines team catches up with winners past and present to find out just what winning has meant to them!



Sandra Rayner

Sandra, who won last year's Papercrafter of the Year, has just celebrated her fifth wedding anniversary. She's a housewife

who's been crafting for 10 years and has a passion for line dancing!

Has being on the Design Team given you the chance to push yourself creatively?

Definitely, now I don't just buy a die for the purpose intended but I really look at it and find different and unique ways to use it.

What would you say to someone who's debating entering this year?

Go for it. I thought it was something I could never achieve and I am still surprised and excited that I won. Don't be shy, love your work and be proud of what you can achieve. You just never know, you could be this year's winner.



Claire, last year's Card Designer of the Year, is working as a freelance graphic designer and lives in Surrey with her husband, three sons and gorgeous dog.

What's your favourite papercrafting technique?

I love die-cutting and chopping into my die-cut shapes to create something new. I also love getting to the stage on a

project where I can really start to decorate and have fun with flowers, lace and ribbon!

What has been your favourite project for the magazine?

I've honestly enjoyed them all, and the first was the most exciting of course, but I think my favourite so far appeared in *Simply Cards & Papercraft* 152 using Tonic Studios dies.



Claire Rhodes-Brandon

Visit her blog at www.ribbonspearlsandpaperswirls.com



Ingrid Vichova

Visit her blog at www.ingridscraftscorner.blogspot.co.uk

Ingrid Vichova won the Card Designer of the Year competition in 2014 and is still on our Design Team today.

How did you react when you found out you'd won?

I was at home surrounded by my family when the news arrived! I read the email quietly to myself, the uncontrollable excitement kicked in and I found

myself jumping up and down laughing and squealing – it was the best feeling ever!

What has it been like on the Design Team?

This is the best job ever! You work with wonderful goodies and your work is published in the UK's best-selling magazines. What is not to love?! It's great!



Fiona Wilkes won Papercrafter of the Year in 2014 and created card samples showcasing the hugely popular All-Occasion embossing folder and stamp set from *Papercraft Essentials* issue 122.

Which projects were your favourite to work on?

I have loved them all, but I think that I am most proud

of the features using the free gifts as I was aware that lots of readers would be looking for inspiration!

Has being on the Design Team lived up to your expectations?

I have loved it – it's been so interesting to see how the magazines are made and how designers receive commissions.



Fiona Wilkes

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Vicky Plowman-Render from the Crafter's Companion Design Team creates masculine makes for all occasions



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- box template
- black cardstock
- red ColorCore Core'dinations cardstock
- Sara Signature Just for Men Brights paper pad
- manual die-cutting machine
- Sara Signature Just for Men Male Sentiments, Superstars & Happy Birthday die sets
- Sara Signature Just for Men Pop Dotty embossing folder
- sanding block

Simply make

- 1 Use the template to make a black pop-up box card, layer each flap with red cardstock, leaving a narrow border, and repeat with patterned paper as shown.
- 2 Emboss three 6.5x11cm red panels, sand and adhere them to the sides of the box.
- 3 Die-cut and build a selection of star toppers using co-ordinating patterned paper, layer them together and mount them onto the box card as shown.
- 4 Die-cut the sentiments from black cardstock and attach them to the box card as shown to finish.



Don't forget to download your template from www.papercraftmagazines.com



You will need

- black & white cardstock
- Sara Signature Just for Men Brights paper pad
- manual die-cutting machine
- Sara Signature Just for Men Superstars & Rock On die sets
- Sara Signature Just for Men Urban Graffiti, Street Wise & Rock Star stamp sets
- Onyx Black VersaFine inkpad
- gold gilding wax

black cardstock and a panel of patterned paper, leaving a narrow border each time.

2 Stamp the figure onto a 5x8cm piece of patterned paper, matt it onto black cardstock and adhere it to the card front. Stamp five musical notes across the top.

3 Die-cut the guitar from black cardstock, apply gilding wax onto the raised design and secure it onto the card front along with three die-cut star toppers as shown.

4 Stamp the sentiment onto patterned paper, layer it onto black cardstock and mount it onto the easel base to act as the stopper to finish.

Simply make

1 Create a white 14cm-square easel card blank and cover the card front and base with

You rock

You will need

- white 14.5cm-square card blank
- black & white cardstock
- Sara Signature Just for Men Brights paper pad
- manual die-cutting machine
- Sara Signature Just for Men Cogs and Gears die set
- Sara Signature Just for Men Street Wise & Rock Star stamp sets
- Walnut Stain, Peeled Paint & Mustard Seed Ranger Tim Holtz Distress Ink
- Pebeo Drawing Gum
- silver, gold & bronze gilding wax
- ink-blending tool
- 3D foam pads



You're the best

Simply make

1 Stamp a background of cogs onto a white 14cm-square panel using Drawing Gum.

2 Once dry, colour with Distress Inks as shown and rub off the gum. Mount the panel onto black cardstock and affix it to the card front.

3 Die-cut a selection of cogs from black cardstock and cover them with gilding wax. Die-cut more cogs from patterned paper.

4 Layer a border of patterned paper onto black cardstock and adhere it across the

card front. Arrange the cog embellishments on top using 3D foam pads for some.

5 Stamp the sentiment onto white cardstock, ink the edges, matt it onto co-ordinating cardstock and secure it to the card front.

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- Seven Hills Crafts Marvelous Monochromes felt pack
- Onyx Black VersaFine inepad
- alcohol markers
- 3D foam pads
- high-tack tape
- manual die-cutting machine

Simply make

- 1 Remove two thirds of the card front at an angle as shown. Cover the card front with pink paper and layer the inside with blue paper. Stamp the sentiment onto the card front.
- 2 Die-cut the rainbow from white cardstock. Colour each stripe, assemble it inside the card and trim the excess.



- 3 Die-cut a white felt cloud and adhere it onto the rainbow. Stamp and die-cut the chair and rug, then colour and affix them to the card front using 3D foam pads for the chair.

- 4 Die-cut the window frame elements from white cardstock and place acetate onto the reverse of the frame. Assemble and secure it to the card front as shown, using high-tack tape to finish.

Simply shopping

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Pot of gold

You will need

- white 6"-square card blank
- white & kraft cardstock
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- My Favorite Things Die-namics End of the Rainbow, Stitched Valley & Trees in the Forest die sets
- My Favorite Things Rainbow Greetings stamp set
- Onyx Black VersaFine inkpad
- alcohol markers
- 3D foam pads
- Stick It adhesive sheets
- seed beads
- manual die-cutting machine



Top tip

Using the larger trees in the foreground and the smaller trees in the distance adds a sense of depth to the design

Simply make

- 1 Layer the card front with blue paper. Die-cut and build the rainbow from white cardstock, colour each stripe as shown, then secure it to the card front and trim off the excess.
- 2 Die-cut four hills from shades of green paper and mount them onto the card front using 3D foam pads as shown.
- 3 Die-cut and build a selection of trees from orange and yellow papers and kraft cardstock, then affix them onto the card front as shown.
- 4 Die-cut the teardrop tree from white cardstock, colour with a grey marker and cut off the top. Adhere it to the centre of the card front, and add seed beads.
- 5 Stamp the sentiment onto white cardstock and secure it to the card front using 3D foam pads to finish.



Top tip

Adding a few strips of Washi tape across the back of the rainbow will keep it together

Wind in my sails

You will need

- white DL card blank
- white cardstock
- My Favorite Things Watercolor Wash 6x6" paper pad
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- Stick It adhesive sheets
- 3D foam pads
- manual die-cutting machine

Simply make

- 1 Cover the top two thirds of the card front with pale blue paper and bottom third with dark blue to create the sea and sky. Affix a die-cut cloud.
- 2 Die-cut and build the rainbow from white cardstock. Colour each stripe, secure it to the card front as shown and trim the excess.
- 3 Die-cut two hills from shades of green paper and layer them onto the card front using 3D foam pads.
- 4 Die-cut two white hills to form the sails, cut and colour a strip of white cardstock to form the mast and secure them onto the card front.
- 5 Stamp the sentiment onto a die-cut cloud and affix it using 3D foam pads to finish.

You will need

- white 5x7" card blank
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- Seven Hills Crafts Garden Green felt pack
- alcohol markers
- glitter glue
- black fine-line pen
- Stick It adhesive sheets
- 3D foam pads
- manual die-cutting machine

Simply make

- 1 Cover the card front with blue paper. Cut a rocky mountain shape from a sheet of purple paper, scrunch it up to create texture and adhere it to the card front as shown.
- 2 Die-cut and build the rainbow from white cardstock. Colour it blue, secure it to the mountain as a waterfall and trim the excess. Add glitter glue to the bottom of the waterfall.
- 3 Die-cut and colour the house then affix it at the top of the mountain. Die-cut a selection of balloons, secure them above the house and draw the strings using a black fine-line pen.
- 4 Add a selection of die-cut leaves to the card front and stamp the sentiment as shown to finish.



Dreams
come true

Top tip

Colour the waterfall using multiple shades of blue for an ombré look

You will need

- white 6" square card blank
- My Favorite Things Watercolor Wash 6x6" paper pad
- My Favorite Things Die-namics Radiant Sun, Magical Unicorns, & End of the Rainbow die sets
- My Favorite Things Magical Unicorns stamp set
- My Favorite Things Rainbow Greetings stamp set
- Onyx Black VersaFine inkpad
- Xcut Extra Large Circle dies
- alcohol markers
- Seven Hills Crafts Marvelous Monochromes felt pack
- Stick It adhesive sheet
- 3D foam pads
- manual die-cutting machine

Simply make

- 1 Die-cut the card blank into a circle, ensuring that the die overhangs the folded edge, and layer the card front with a die-cut circle of blue paper.
- 2 Die-cut the sun from yellow paper and adhere it to the top-right corner of the card front as shown.
- 3 Die-cut and build the rainbow from white cardstock. Colour each stripe, secure it to the card front and trim off the excess. Stamp the sentiment onto the card front.
- 4 Die-cut a cloud from white felt, layer it onto a white cardstock cloud and mount it onto the card front using 3D foam pads.
- 5 Stamp, colour and die-cut the unicorn, then repeat with a wing and affix it on top. Mount the unicorn onto the card front using 3D foam pads to finish.



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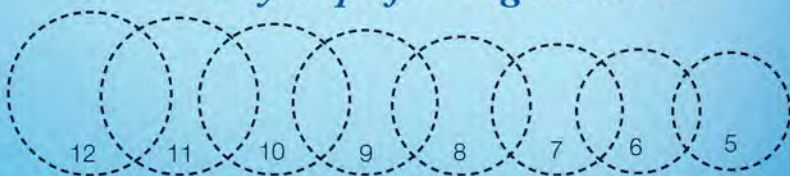
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Kim Dellow



Kim describes herself as an artist, crafter and blogger. She is a cardmaker at heart, and shares her creative world at www.kimdellow.co.uk

If you have not yet come across the Ken Oliver Color Burst range, you are in for a treat! For those new to Color Burst, it is basically coloured pigment powder in a bottle that reacts with one very magic ingredient: water! Once water makes contact with the powder it will bloom and blossom before your very eyes into colourful watercolour paint. Depending on when

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You can have fun with the powder whatever your

crafting ability and create stunning backgrounds in no time. Simply spray a surface with water and then tap the powder or powders on the top. Although the bottles are small, remember that a little goes a very long way! By applying the powder on top of water you can achieve an interesting speckled and mottled effect, as shown on my 'Beautiful day' card.



You can also reverse this technique and tap the Color Burst powder onto a surface and then spray water on top of it to achieve more of a colour wash and splashed effects. Don't forget, you can always add more water and powder and even use a paintbrush on the surface of your design until you're happy with the result.

You can see on my 'Best

wishes' card that I've used the Color Burst powders as watercolour paint. This was simply done by adding the powder sparingly into a palette with water, picking up the colour with a paintbrush and painting as you would with any other watercolour paint. The bonus of this technique is that if you have any Color Burst paint left in the palette, you can simply

leave it to dry and activate the paint again with water! There's no wastage whatsoever and you're getting another use from this very versatile product.

Not only have I used the Color Burst powders in combination with my stamping and heat-embossing stash, I've also used them successfully with stencils on a couple of my cards. I love that this product

complements and adds a new creative spin to many paper-crafting products that most crafters will already own.

Once you've experimented with these ideas, why not try mixing them with any of your mixed-media products such as art gels and pastes to colour them? You'll find that injecting a burst of colour into your supplies and projects has never been so much fun!

Beautiful day

You will need

- Caribbean Brights Ken Oliver Color Burst pigments
- yellow & white cardstock
- Altenew Beautiful Day stamp set
- Jet Black Ranger Archival Ink
- water spray bottle
- 3D foam pads & tape

Top tip

A little goes a very long way with Color Burst powder so try not to add too much pigment to your projects – you can always add more if necessary



BEGINNER

Step by step



1 Spray a piece of white cardstock with water; try not to flood the surface but ensure a good coverage of water.



2 Remove the lid of the Color Burst powder and lightly tap some of the pigment powder out of the bottle onto the wet surface.



3 Repeat Step 2 with a different Color Burst powder, tapping lightly across the surface to add more colour.



4 Add another colour then allow the Color Burst piece to dry naturally to retain the speckled nature of the Color Burst pattern created.



5 Trim the Color Burst panel to measure 10.5cm square. Create a yellow 12cm-square card blank and affix the Color Burst panel onto the card front using 3D foam tape.



6 Stamp the sentiment onto white cardstock, trim it to size and use 3D foam pads to secure it onto the bottom-right corner of the card front to finish.

BEGINNER



Beautiful bloom

You will need

- Caribbean Brights Ken Oliver Color Burst pigments
- yellow & white cardstock
- Altenew Beautiful Day stamp set
- Jet Black Ranger Archival Ink
- Spellbinders Nestabilities Circles dies
- manual die-cutting machine
- The Crafter's Workshop Doodle Bloom 6x6" template
- water spray bottle
- paintbrush
- 3D foam pads & tape

2 Once the stencilled Color Burst panel is dry, brush over it with a wet paintbrush to move some of the pigment around to cover the panel. Allow the piece to dry.

3 Create a yellow 13x15cm card blank and affix the Color Burst panel onto the card front using 3D foam tape.

4 Spray pieces of white cardstock with water and sprinkle Color Burst pigments on top. Once dry, stamp the flower and leaves onto them and cut them out.

5 Die-cut a white circle and secure the flower and leaves onto it using 3D foam pads. Secure the focal point onto the card front as shown.

6 Stamp the sentiment onto white cardstock, trim it to size and use 3D foam pads to affix it onto the bottom-right corner of the card front to finish.

Simply make

1 Run the stencil under a tap then press the wet stencil onto an 11x14cm piece of white cardstock. Remove it and tap Color Burst pigments lightly over the wet cardstock.

You will need

- Caribbean Brights Ken Oliver Color Burst pigments
- lilac & white cardstock
- Mama Elephant Butterfly Kisses stamp set
- Altenew Beautiful Day stamp set
- Jet Black Ranger Archival Ink
- VersaMark inepad
- Bright White WOW! embossing powder
- heat tool
- water spray bottle
- 3D foam tape



Butterfly kisses

INTERMEDIATE

Simply make

1 Stamp and heat-emboss flowers and leaves repeatedly over a 14.5x13.5cm piece of white cardstock to create a patterned background.

2 Spray the heat-embossed panel with water and sprinkle Color Burst on top. Spray more water on top to move the colour around then leave the panel to dry.

3 Allow the Color Burst panel to dry, create a lilac 16x15cm card blank and affix the panel onto the card front using 3D foam tape.

4 Stamp the sentiment onto the left side of a 14.5x4cm strip of white cardstock and use 3D foam tape to secure it across the card front as shown to finish.

Happy thoughts

You will need

- Caribbean Brights Ken Oliver Color Burst pigments
- yellow & white cardstock
- Altenew Beautiful Day stamp set
- Jet Black Ranger Archival Ink
- The Crafter's Workshop Sweet Posey 12x12" template
- water spray bottle
- 3D foam pads

Simply make

- 1 Place the stencil over a piece of white cardstock, spray water over it then carefully remove the stencil.

- 2 Tap the Color Burst pigments over the wet areas of the cardstock until the whole pattern of the stencil design is covered with colour. Allow the piece to dry naturally.

- 3 Create a yellow 16x15cm card blank, trim the stencilled design to measure 15cm square and affix it onto the card front.

- 4 Stamp the sentiment onto a 13.5x2.5cm strip of white cardstock and use 3D foam pads to attach it to the card front as shown to finish.

Top tip

To minimise cardstock curling with these water-based techniques, tape the cardstock down to a hard board before applying water and let it dry while taped down



ADVANCED

Best wishes

You will need

- Caribbean Brights Ken Oliver Color Burst pigments
- lilac & white cardstock
- Mama Elephant Butterfly Kisses stamp set
- Jet Black Ranger Archival ink
- water spray bottle
- paintbrush
- palette or acetate

Simply make

- 1 Stamp the flower onto a 14.5x13cm panel of white cardstock. Add drops of water onto a palette or acetate, tap Color Burst pigments into them and mix them to create paints.

- 2 Pick up the paint with a paintbrush and colour the stamped image from Step 1 as you would using watercolours. Allow the painted piece to dry.

- 3 Create a lilac 14.5x15cm card blank and affix the painted piece onto the card front. Stamp the sentiment below the flower to finish.



INTERMEDIATE

Simply shopping

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Colour explosion

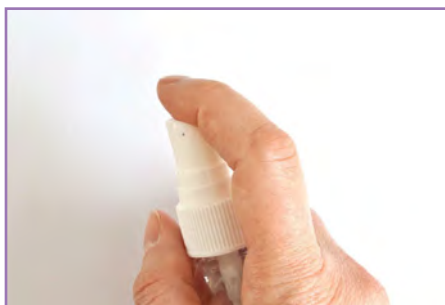
ADVANCED

Top tip
Cards without sentiments are handy as last-minute cards to cater for a range of occasions

Step by step



1 Hold the stamp over a panel of 12.5x14.5cm panel of white cardstock and make a rough mental note of where the flower head and leaves are going to be.



2 Lightly spray water onto the area that will be the flower head. Don't add too much water, you can always add more later if required.



3 Tap Orchid Color Burst over the wet area, adding water with a paintbrush to move the colour and absorbing any colour with a paper towel if required, then allow the piece to dry.



4 Repeat Step 2, spraying water where the leaves and stem will be and adding Lime Green Color Burst powder on top, then allow the piece to dry.



5 Stamp the flower over the Color Burst design. Create a lilac 14x15cm card blank and use 3D foam tape to affix the flower panel onto the card front to finish.

You will need

- Caribbean Brights Ken Oliver Color Burst pigments
- lilac & white cardstock
- Mama Elephant Butterfly Kisses stamp set
- Jet Black Ranger Archival Ink
- water spray bottle
- paintbrush
- 3D foam tape
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In the summertime

Karen Osborne



Sleepy gardener

You will need

- white cardstock
- patterned paper
- mount board
- Acid Drops & Whatnots Gardening stamp set
- Tuxedo Black Memento inkpad
- Peeled Paint Ranger Tim Holtz Distress Ink
- Ranger Cut-N-Dry foam
- alcohol markers
- black fine-line pen
- sanding block
- We R Memory Keepers Crop-A-Dile
- paper flowers & leaves
- raffia

Simply make

- 1 Cover the front of a 15cm-square piece of mount board, then sand and ink the edges.
- 2 Stamp the focal image and sentiment onto a white 10cm-square panel, colour as shown and outline the edge with a black pen. Layer the panel onto patterned

Karen Osborne creates summery projects for all occasions featuring the latest releases from Acid Drops & Whatnots

Top tip

Cover the back of the plaque with white cardstock for a professional finish



paper, leaving a narrow border, and mount it onto the plaque.

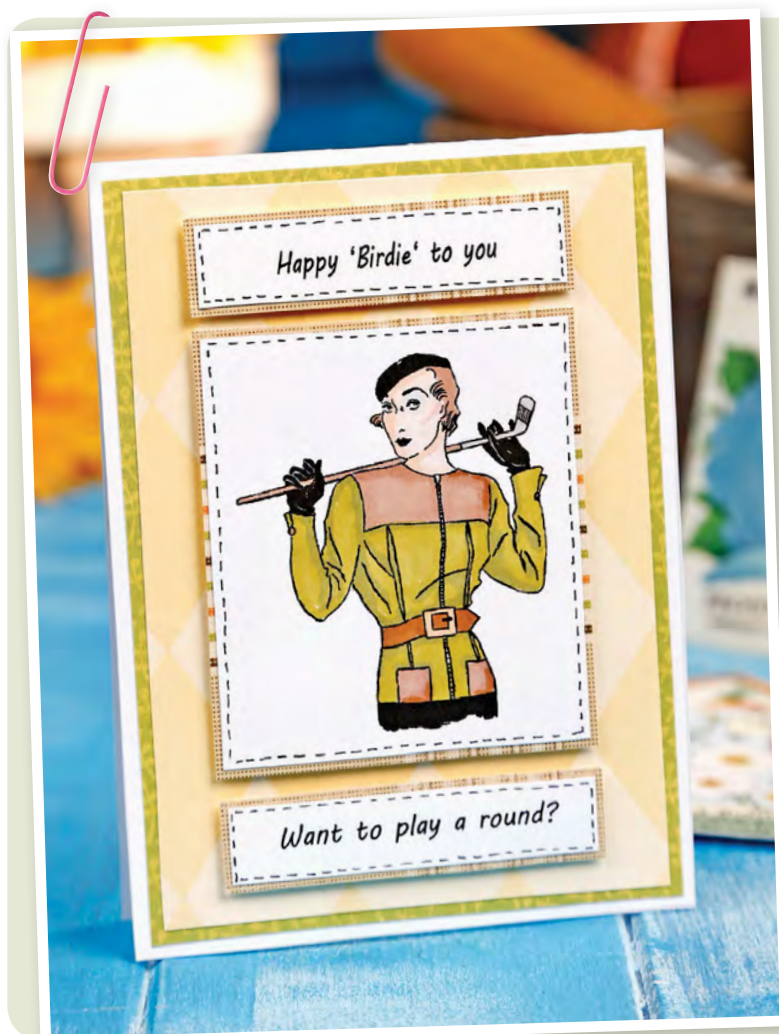
- 3 Punch two holes at the top of the plaque and thread raffia

strands through them, tying a knot in each end.

- 4 Add paper flowers and leaves to the plaque as shown to finish.

Simply shopping

♥ Acid Drops & Whatnots products are available exclusively from www.aciddropsandwhatnots.co.uk



Happy birdie to you

You will need

- white 10.5x14.5cm card blank
- white cardstock
- patterned paper
- Acid Drops & Whatnots Playing Golf stamp set
- Tuxedo Black Memento inkpad
- black fine-line pen
- alcohol markers
- 3D foam pads

draw borders around the edges with a black pen as shown. Layer them onto patterned paper.

- Stamp the image onto a white 7x8cm panel, colour as shown and draw a border around the edges with black pen.
- Layer the image onto patterned paper, trim and adhere it to the card front along with the sentiments using 3D foam pads to finish.

Simply make

- Layer patterned paper onto the card front, leaving a narrow border, and repeat with a panel of contrasting patterned paper.
- Stamp the sentiments onto white panels measuring 1.5x7cm and

Top tip

If you struggle to do the faux stitching freehand, try using a ruler

Nervous kitty

You will need

- white cardstock
- patterned paper
- silver mirror card
- Acid Drops & Whatnots Cats stamp set
- Tuxedo Black Memento inkpad
- black fine-line pen
- alcohol markers
- scoreboard
- black gems

Simply make

- Score a 29x13cm panel of white cardstock at 7cm, 10cm, 19cm and 22cm and fold as shown to create the card blank.
- Layer the centre panel of the card front with patterned paper, leaving a narrow border, and repeat to cover the side panels with contrasting paper.
- Stamp and colour the cat onto a 6x11cm piece of white cardstock, and draw a border around the edges using a black pen.
- Mount the image onto patterned paper and mirror card, leaving narrow borders, and adhere it to the centre of the card front.
- Stamp the sentiments onto white cardstock, trim and outline the edges with a black pen. Mount them onto patterned paper and mirror card layers, leaving narrow borders, and adhere to the side panel as shown.
- Adhere the sentiments onto the side panels as shown and add gems to finish.



I love shopping

You will need

- white Craft Creations double-fold card blank
- white cardstock
- patterned paper
- silver mirror card
- gems
- Acid Drops & Whatnots Temptation stamp set
- Tuxedo Black Memento inkpad
- black fine-line pen
- alcohol markers

Simply make

- 1 Score each side panel of the double-fold card blank 7cm in from the outside edge and fold each side back on itself as shown to create the card blank.
- 2 Layer the inside of the card with patterned paper, leaving a narrow border, and repeat to cover both front panels with a contrasting patterned paper.
- 3 Stamp the image and sentiments onto a white 9cm-square panel, colour and outline the edges of the panel using a black pen.
- 4 Mount the image onto mirror card and patterned paper and adhere it to the left-hand front panel as shown.
- 5 Stamp the sentiments onto white cardstock, trim and outline the edges with a black pen. Mount them onto mirror card and patterned paper, leaving narrow borders.
- 6 Affix the sentiments onto the front panels as shown then add gems to the card front to finish.



I'm not old

You will need

- white cardstock
- white 10cm-square card blank
- scoreboard
- 3D foam pads
- patterned paper
- Tuxedo Black Memento inkpad
- black fine-line pen
- alcohol markers
- Acid Drops & Whatnots Gardening stamp set

Simply make

- 1 Score the card front in half diagonally and adhere a white 14cm-square panel to the bottom half of the card front to create a twisted easel card blank.
- 2 Layer patterned paper onto the card front, leaving a narrow border, and repeat to cover the easel base with contrasting paper.
- 3 Stamp the image and co-ordinating sentiments onto a white 13cm-square panel, colour as shown and outline the edges of the panel using a black pen. Adhere it onto the card front.
- 4 Stamp the sentiment onto white cardstock, trim and outline the edges with black pen.
- 5 Mount the sentiments onto patterned paper and affix it onto the easel base using 3D foam pads to finish.



Top tip

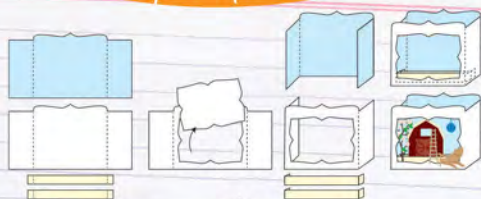
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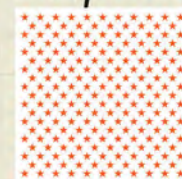


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8 to give away

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5 to give away

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Tilda Pardon My Garden collection

2 to give away

We've teamed up with Tilda to offer two lucky readers lots of treats from the new Pardon My Garden collection!

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You will need

- pink cardstock
- Echo Park Paper Co. Petticoats & Pinstripes – Petticoats collection kit
- Pebbles Inc Fun in the Sun enamel dots
- 3D foam tape

Simply make

- 1 Create a pink 7.5x16.5cm card blank. Cut a 4.5x12.5cm piece of turquoise patterned paper and affix it onto the top-left corner of the card front.
- 2 Use 3D foam tape to secure the green sentiment sticker across the top of the card front and the floral die-cut sticker onto the bottom-right corner.
- 3 Place the individual letter stickers below the green sentiment to spell 'BEST' and embellish the card front with enamel dots as shown to finish.

Simply shopping

♥ Mama Elephant stamp sets are available from www.sevenhillscrafts.co.uk

♥ Echo Park Paper Co.'s Petticoats & Pinstripes – Petticoats collection kit is available from www.carolecraftsuk.co.uk

Top tip

Decorate inside the card with elements from the kit for a co-ordinated look inside and out!



You will need

- pink cardstock
- Echo Park Paper Co. Petticoats Alpha Sticker sheet
- watercolour paper
- BoBunny I Heart Stars stamp set
- Abandoned Coral, Squeezed Lemonade, Twisted Citron & Cracked Pistachio Ranger Tim Holtz Distress Ink
- Onyx Black VersaFine inepad
- clear embossing powder
- water spray bottle
- paintbrush
- heat tool
- 3D foam tape

Love you



Top tip

Use clear-drying glue with a precision applicator tip such as Ranger Glossy Accents to affix small sequins to your design

Simply make

- 1 Create a pink 14x10.5cm card blank. Stamp and heat-emboss the hearts across a 13.5x10cm panel of watercolour paper.
- 2 Spritz the heat-embossed panel with water, tap Distress Inks onto a craft mat and pick up the inks with a damp paintbrush to paint over the heat-embossed design.
- 3 Once the watercolour panel is dry, affix it onto the card front and use 3D foam tape to secure the sentiment stickers onto the top-right corner as shown to finish.



Smile

You will need

- yellow & white cardstock
- Echo Park Paper Co. Petticoats & Pinstripes – Petticoats collection kit
- Mama Elephant Potted Pretties stamp set
- VersaMark inepad
- black embossing powder
- Ranger Tim Holtz Distress Markers
- Ranger Glossy Accents
- sequins
- Sizzix Thinlits Stitched Rectangles die set
- manual die-cutting machine
- heat tool
- 3D foam tape

Simply make

- 1 Create a yellow 15x10.5cm card blank and layer a piece of patterned paper onto the card front, leaving a narrow border around the edges.
- 2 Die-cut a white rectangle then stamp and heat-emboss the images and sentiment onto it as shown. Colour the images using Distress Markers.
- 3 Use 3D foam tape to secure the image panel onto the card front. Add the blue border sticker onto left side of the card front.
- 4 Use 3D foam tape to affix the yellow sentiment sticker above the stamped sentiment and embellish the white panel with sequins as shown to finish.



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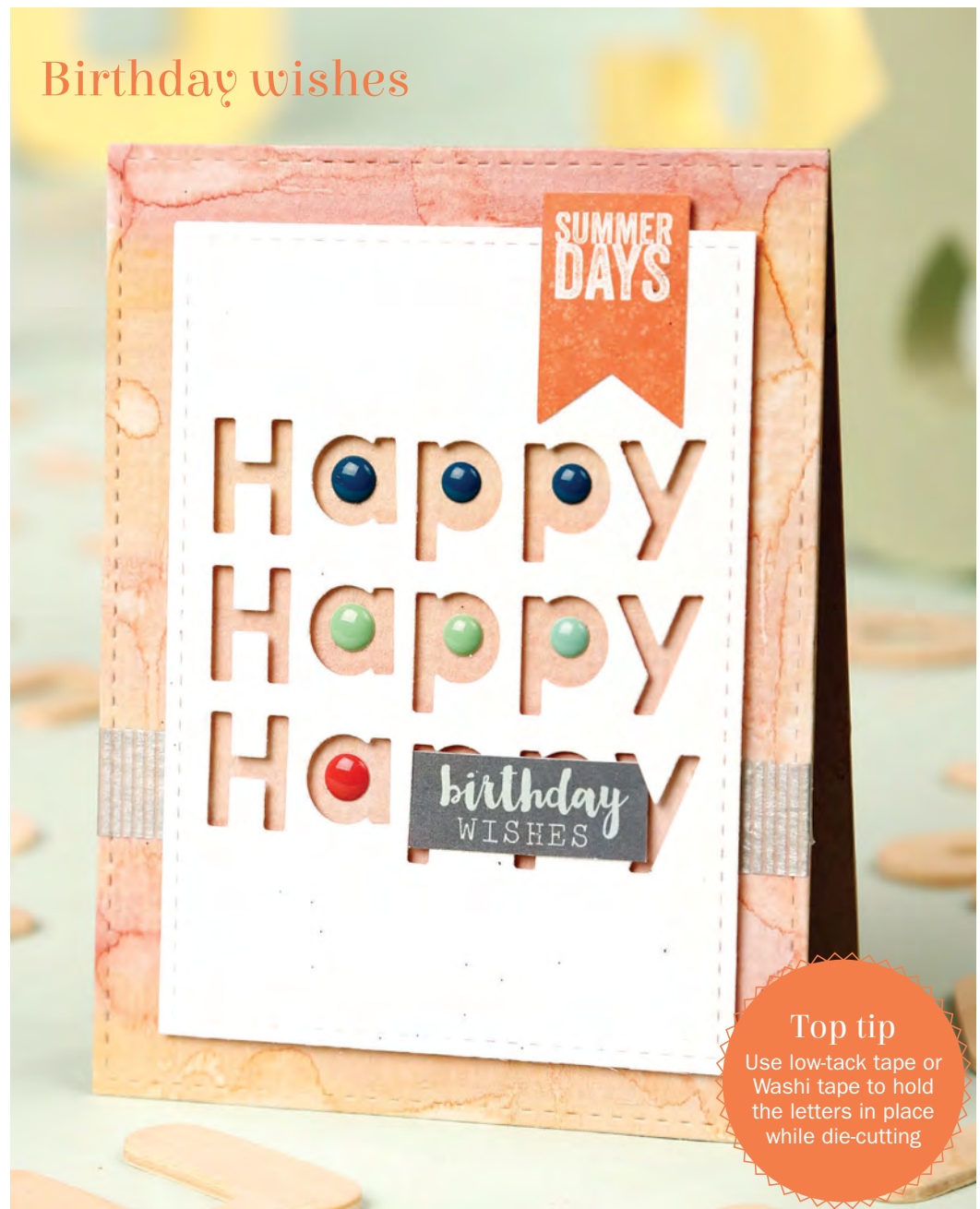
You will need

- white 4¼x5½" card blank
- white cardstock
- watercolour paper
- watercolour paints
- manual die-cutting machine
- Memory Box Parker Upper & Lowercase Alphabet die sets
- Lawn Fawn Large Stitched Rectangle dies
- American Crafts DIY Shop Washi tape
- Cocoa Vanilla Studio Hello Sunshine stickers & enamel shapes
- 3D foam pads

Simply make

- 1 Apply watercolour paints onto watercolour paper to create a background. Once dry, die-cut a rectangle from it and affix it onto a white 4¼x5½" card blank.
- 2 Die-cut a rectangular panel of white cardstock, place the letter dies across the panel to create the sentiment and die-cut it three times.
- 3 Secure the sentiment panel to the card front using 3D foam pads and add sentiment stickers and enamel dots.
- 4 Adhere two pieces of Washi tape onto the card front, level with the bottom sentiment to finish.

Birthday wishes



Top tip

Use low-tack tape or Washi tape to hold the letters in place while die-cutting

Hi

You will need

- red A6 card blank
- Kaisercraft Finders Keepers 6½x6½" paper pad
- Simple Stories Sunshine & Happiness 6x6" paper pad
- white & black glitter card
- vellum
- manual die-cutting machine
- Memory Box Parker Upper & Lowercase Alphabet die sets
- Lil' Inker Designs Dual Dotted Rectangle & Silly Stitched Circle dies
- American Craft DIY Shop Washi tape
- Cocoa Vanilla Studio Hello Sunshine Puffy Stickers, Ephemera Die-cuts & enamel shapes
- 3D foam pads
- paper flower



Simply make

- 1 Cut and layer two panels of contrasting patterned paper onto the card front as shown.
- 2 Die-cut the lowercase alphabet into a panel of

contrasting patterned paper, matt the negative onto white glitter card and secure it onto the card front.

- 3 Add a die-cut vellum circle to the card front, layer with

ephemera shapes and stickers as shown and add torn strips of Washi tape onto each side of the card front.

- 4 Die-cut 'hi' from black glitter card and affix it onto the vellum circle to finish.

Thank you



You will need

- white & black cardstock
- vellum
- silver glitter card
- Simple Stories Sunshine & Happiness 6x6" paper pad
- manual die-cutting machine
- Avery Elle Elle-ments A Tag For All die set
- Memory Box Leaf & Parker Uppercase Alphabet die sets
- Cocoa Vanilla Studio Hello Sunshine enamel shapes

Simply make

- 1 Create a white 4¼x5½" card blank. Cut away the bottom third of the card front, back with patterned paper, and add strips of silver glitter

card and white cardstock as shown.

- 2 Die-cut flourishes from silver glitter card and vellum then layer them onto the card front along with enamel shapes.
- 3 Die-cut letters to spell 'THANK' from black cardstock and secure it to the card front.
- 4 Add a white die-cut 'you' as shown to finish.

Top tip

Add double-sided tape or Stick It adhesive sheet to the reverse of the glitter paper before die-cutting to create self-adhesive letters

Top tip

Use inks and sprays to create the ombré gradient

Congrats



You will need

- white 5½x4¼" card blank
- white cardstock
- manual die-cutting machine
- Memory Box Parker Upper & Lowercase Alphabet die sets
- Lawn Fawn Large Stitched Rectangle dies
- Cocoa Vanilla Studio Ephemera Die-cut & enamel shapes
- computer & printer
- photo-editing software
- enamel dots

- 4 Embellish the card front with enamel dots, ephemera and a printed sentiment to finish.

Simply make

- 1 Use photo-editing software to create a colour gradient, print it onto white cardstock and die-cut a rectangle from it.
- 2 Die-cut the sentiment from the gradient panel and keep the die-cut letters to one side. Secure the panel to the card front.
- 3 Die-cut the letters four more times from white cardstock and layer them with the original die-cut letters as shown.

Simply shopping

♥ Memory Box dies are available from www.franticstamper.com

You will need

- white 5"-square card blank
- white, red & kraft cardstock
- Kaisercraft Finders Keepers 6½x6½" paper pad
- Cocoa Vanilla Studio Hello Sunshine Ephemera Die-cuts & enamel shapes
- manual die-cutting machine
- Kaisercraft Occasions Decorative die set
- Memory Box Parker Upper & Lowercase Alphabet die sets
- Lawn Fawn Large Stitched Square dies
- Stick It adhesive sheets
- computer & printer
- photo-editing software
- 3D foam pads

Simply make

- 1 Cover the card front with patterned paper and kraft cardstock, leaving narrow borders as shown.
- 2 Use photo-editing software to create a circle with a brush tool and print a rough copy.
- 3 Apply die-cut letters to white cardstock using a Stick It adhesive sheet, referring to the rough copy to position them.
- 4 Print the image over the letters and remove them to reveal the white letters.
- 5 Die-cut the panel into a square and adhere it onto the card front using 3D foam pads.
- 6 Add enamel shapes, an ephemera arrow and a red die-cut sentiment to finish.

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Shabby-chic style

Emilia Sieradzan



Emilia Sieradzan shares her top tips and tricks on mastering the stylish shabby-chic look on your projects



When you see a shabby-chic creation, it may leave you thinking that you'd struggle to achieve the style, but if you follow a few simple guidelines you'll be creating them in no time!

There are three main points of focus you need to consider when approaching a shabby-chic creation: embellishments, layers and texture.

Embellishments are ideal for creating a focal point on your designs – you'll notice that

I can't resist paper flowers! They're iconic features of the shabby-chic look, making the style ideal for feminine card designs. I tend to cluster flowers together and love to mix and match and layer them on die-cut leaves. Chipboard shapes also enhance a focal point and help to ground it too.

Layers are easily added to projects with contrasting patterned paper, but take this one step further by layering die-cut shapes onto projects

too. Using patterned paper from one collection will make this easy as the patterns of the collection co-ordinate and complement each other. I like to use 3D foam pads to achieve dimension with layers.

Adding texture is the key to achieving a professional finishing touch; the smallest details often make the biggest difference. Materials such as twine, lace, sisal and cheesecloth are often associated with this style. I've

also added texture by machine-sewing borders, but you can create faux stitching by piercing paper and joining the holes with a fine-line pen. As you can see on my 'Best wishes' card, I've used a stencil and paste to create texture. You can add more texture by applying glitter and white acrylic paint to embellishments.

So set aside some creative time, use my projects as a guide and prepare to create your own shabby-chic designs!

Birthday flowers

BEGINNER

Top tip

Select embellishments that co-ordinate with the colours of the card to complement the design



Step by step



1 Create a white 17x12cm card blank and layer two panels of patterned paper onto the card front, using 3D foam pads for the top panel.



2 Affix the chipboard frame onto the centre of the card front, die-cut two Botanical Stems from patterned paper and adhere them onto the left side as shown.



3 Ink the edges of the sentiment and affix it onto the right side of the frame using 3D foam pads.



4 Adhere two flowers on top of the leaves using 3D foam pads and add dots of glue around the design to affix sequins.



5 Add texture to the flowers and die-cut leaves by adding touches of acrylic paint onto them to finish.

You will need

- white cardstock
- Studio75 Lavender Morning 12x12" paper pack
- Scrapiniec Royal Round Frame chipboard shape
- white acrylic paint
- paper flowers
- blue sequins
- Papermania All Occasion Glittered Sentiments
- lilac inkpac
- Memory Box Botanical Stem die
- manual die-cutting machine
- paintbrush
- 3D foam pads

Thank you

Simply make

- 1 Create a white 11x14cm card blank and layer a 10.5x13.5cm piece of patterned paper onto the card front using 3D foam pads.
- 2 Die-cut the frame from lilac patterned paper and use 3D foam pads to secure it onto the card front. Affix die-cut leaves onto the left side of it.
- 3 Attach two flowers onto the leaves as shown and tuck a chipboard shape next to them. Ink the edges of the sentiment and affix it onto the bottom-right corner using 3D foam pads.
- 4 Add touches of acrylic paint onto the leaves and flowers then, once dry, embellish the design with Glitter Dots as shown to finish.

You will need

- white cardstock
- Studio75 Lavender Morning 12x12" paper pack
- paper flowers
- Scrapiniec Doily Lace Small Rosettes chipboard shapes
- Papermania All Occasion Glittered Sentiments
- Fun Fair by Helz Cuppleditch Glitter Dots
- lilac inks
- white acrylic paint
- Poppystamps Monterey Vine die
- Spellbinders Nestabilities A2 Tranquil Moments Card Creator die
- manual die-cutting machine
- paintbrush
- 3D foam pads



Happy birthday



You will need

- white cardstock
- UHK Gallery LOFT 12x12" paper pack
- lilac inks
- paper flowers
- white sisal
- white acrylic paint
- metal embellishment
- purple Creative Expressions Dazzlers
- Cheery Lynn Fanciful Flourish die
- Sizzix Thinlits Mixed Media #2 die set
- manual die-cutting machine
- computer & printer
- paintbrush
- 3D foam pads

Simply make

- 1 Create a white 12x17cm card blank and layer an 11.5x16.5cm piece of blue patterned paper onto the card front.
- 2 Die-cut the floral design from a 10.5x15.5cm piece of lilac patterned

paper and affix it onto the card front using 3D foam pads.

- 3 Adhere two die-cut flourishes onto the card front and secure three flowers along with sisal on top. Tuck a metal embellishment next to them and add Dazzlers around them as shown.
- 4 Print and cut out the sentiment. Ink the edges and use 3D foam pads to secure it below the flowers. Add touches of paint onto the flowers to finish.

Simply shopping

♥ Scrapiniec chipboard shapes are available from www.scrapandcraft.co.uk

♥ Paper flowers, lace, twine and rhinestones are available from www.wildorchidcrafts.com

♥ Cheery Lynn, Spellbinders & Memory Box dies are available from www.craftsulove.co.uk

Simply make

- 1 Die-cut a tag from turquoise patterned paper, ink the edges, affix it onto lilac patterned paper and cut around it, leaving a narrow border. Pierce the hole through the lilac panel.
- 2 Affix lace across the bottom of the tag and adhere a die-cut shape onto the right side. Cut the chipboard doily in half and secure half on top of the die-cut shape.
- 3 Die-cut the leaves and attach them onto the left side of the tag, next to the chipboard doily. Secure paper flowers and sisal on top of them as shown.
- 4 Thread ribbon, twine and rose trim through the top of the tag and place a rhinestone onto the chipboard doily. Add touches of white paint onto the flowers to finish.

You will need

- UHK Gallery LOFT 12x12" paper pack
- Scrapiniec Doily Lace Medium Rosettes chipboard shapes
- paper flowers
- Guipure lace
- white rose organza trim
- turquoise inkpads
- rhinestone embellishment
- lilac organza ribbon
- white sisal
- blue twine
- white acrylic paint
- Spellbinders D-Lites Reflection die set
- Cheery Lynn Fanciful Flourish die
- tag die
- manual die-cutting machine
- paintbrush
- 3D foam pads

Shabby-chic tag



INTERMEDIATE

Just for you



ADVANCED

You will need

- white cardstock
- Studio75 Lavender Morning 12x12" paper pack
- Prima Marketing Vintage Emporium Watercolor paper pad
- Prima Marketing Watercolor Confections The Classics paints
- Scrapiniec The One Little Background chipboard shapes
- BoBunny Snow Day brads
- paper flowers
- blue twine
- white sisal
- white acrylic paint
- Memory Box Botanical Stem die
- circle nesting dies
- manual die-cutting machine
- computer & printer
- sewing machine & thread
- paintbrush
- 3D foam pads

Simply make

- 1 Fold a piece of white cardstock in half and die-cut a large circle from it to create a shaped card blank. Affix a die-cut circle of patterned paper onto the card front.
- 2 Die-cut a smaller circle from the paper pad and paint it. Once dry, machine-stitch around the edges and secure a brad through it towards the bottom.
- 3 Use 3D foam pads to attach the painted die-cut circle onto the card front. Adhere the chipboard shape on top and secure die-cut leaves onto the left side.
- 4 Attach paper flowers, along with twine and sisal, on top of the die-cut leaves. Print the sentiment onto patterned paper, trim it and affix it next to the flowers.
- 5 Add touches of paint onto the flowers and die-cut leaves then allow it to dry to finish.

Best wishes

ADVANCED



Top tip

Achieve additional texture by heat-embossing on top of paste

You will need

- white 15cm-square card blank
- Agateria Oh Hello Spring 12x12 paper pack
- Scrapiniec Mehendi Lotus chipboard shapes
- paper flowers
- white embossing powder
- Prima Marketing Snowflake Paste
- The Crafter's Workshop Script stencil
- lilac inkpad
- computer & printer
- Fun Fair by Helz Cuppleditch Glitter Dots
- Papermania All Occasion Glittered Sentiments
- white sisal
- blue twine
- Memory Box Botanical Stem die
- circle nesting dies
- manual die-cutting machine
- sewing machine & thread
- heat tool
- paintbrush
- 3D foam pads

Simply make

- 1 Affix a 14cm-square piece of patterned paper onto the card front. Apply the paste through the stencil onto a 13cm-square piece of patterned paper.
- 2 Remove the stencil, sprinkle embossing powder on top and heat-set it. Machine-stitch the edges and affix it onto the card front using 3D foam pads.
- 3 Die-cut two circles from contrasting patterned paper and use 3D foam pads to attach them, slightly overlapping, onto the card front.
- 4 Affix die-cut leaves on top of the circles along with paper flowers, sisal and twine as shown. Tuck chipboard shapes above and below them.
- 5 Ink the edges of the sentiment before securing it onto the card front using 3D foam pads. Add touches of white paint onto the flowers and leaves to finish.

Dynamic Dinkies

Sharon Curtis



We challenged our designers to showcase a variety of cardmaking styles featuring That's Crafty! Dinky Stencils

You will need

- white 4¼x6" card blank
- white cardstock
- That's Crafty Diamond Circles Dinky Stencil
- Dusty Concord & Seedless Preserves Ranger Tim Holtz Distress Ink
- Tuxedo Black & London Fog Memento inkpads
- Creative Expressions By the Sea stamp set
- JustRite Sweet Flowers & Vines stamp set
- alcohol markers
- googly eye
- 3D foam pads
- ink-blending tool

Simply make

- 1 Secure the stencil onto the card front, blend Distress Inks through it using an ink-blending tool then remove the stencil and clean it.
- 2 Stamp the seahorse onto white cardstock, colour, cut it out and attach it over the stencilled pattern using 3D foam pads.
- 3 Stamp the sentiment across the bottom of the card front and add a googly eye onto the seahorse as shown to finish.

Top tip

Use masking tape or Washi tape to secure your stencils onto your projects

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Wonderful



Ingrid Vichova



Simply make

1 Round the corners of two 2½x3½" pieces of white cardstock and apply gesso through the stencils onto them. Once dry, add pearls and embellishments as shown.

You will need

- white 5¼"-square card blank
- That's Crafty! Star Shower & Chevrons Background Dinky Stencils
- Jet Black StāzOn inepad
- VersaMark inepad
- white cardstock
- white gesso
- Limelight, Granny Smith, Wisteria & Blueberry Paperartsy Fresco Finish Chalk Paint
- gold embossing powder
- paper flowers
- Dioxazine Purple DecoArt Media Fluid Acrylic
- Champagne Ice DecoArt Metallic Lustre
- purple & gold Stampendous! Encrusted Jewel Kits
- buttons
- pearls
- mini bulldog clip
- heat tool
- Sizzix Thinlits Friendship Words: Script die set
- manual die-cutting machine
- corner-rounder punch
- 3D foam pads

2 Cover the panels with paints, Media Fluid Acrylic and Lustre along with touches of gesso. Sprinkle embossing powder on top and melt it. Once dry, ink the edges.

3 Stencil the stars and chevrons onto a 5¼"-square piece of white cardstock with paints. Once dry, add layers of paint and gesso on top and allow it to dry.

4 Ink and distress the edges of the panel from Step 3 and affix it onto the card front. Secure the smaller panels on top using 3D foam pads.

5 Die-cut the sentiment, heat-emboss it and attach it onto the left side of the card front. Add a mini bulldog clip onto the right side as shown to finish.

You will need

- white cardstock
- That's Crafty! Star Shower & Chevrons Background Dinky Stencils
- Jet Black StāzOn inepad
- VersaMark inepad
- gold embossing powder
- white gesso
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- metal embellishments
- Tim Holtz Idea-ology Chitchat word stickers
- Sizzix Thinlits Friendship Words: Script die set
- Penny Black Love is Growing die
- manual die-cutting machine
- heat tool
- 3D foam pads

Simply make

1 Create a 4x6" card blank. Cover a 4x6" panel of white cardstock in gesso and, once dry, stencil the designs onto it using more gesso and allow it to dry.

2 Add embellishments and die-cut vines onto the stenciled panel and layer Media Fluid Acrylic and Lustre along with touches of gesso on top.

3 Once dry, sprinkle embossing powder on top and melt it then ink and distress the edges before securing the panel onto the card front.

4 Die-cut the 'forever' sentiment, heat-emboss it and affix it onto the bottom-right corner. Add the sticker sentiment above it as shown to finish.

Friends forever



You will need

- white & black cardstock
- white 6½"-square card blank
- That's Crafty! Honeycomb Background & Half Circles Background Dinky Stencils
- Sheena Douglass A Little Bit Sketchy Shout! stamp set
- Sara Signature Just for Men Collection Rock Star stamp set
- Onyx Black VersaFine inepad
- Shaded Lilac, Wilted Violet, Twisted Citron & Mowed Lawn Ranger Tim Holtz Distress Ink
- ink-blending tool
- heat tool
- water spray bottle
- craft mat

Donna Bateliff



Rock on

Simply make

1 Press Shaded Lilac and Twisted Citron ink onto a craft mat, lightly spritz it with water and press a 6"-square piece of white cardstock onto it to create a background.

2 Dry the background panel with a heat tool and stencil the designs on top as shown. Apply ink to



the image stamp, dab scrunched up paper on top then stamp it across the bottom.

3 Stamp the sentiments onto the stencilled panel and layer it onto black cardstock before affixing it onto the card front to finish.

Birthday dude



Simply make

1 Blend Twisted Citron and Shaded Lilac Distress Ink over a 6½x4½" piece of white cardstock and ink the edges with Wilted Violet and Mowed Lawn ink.

2 Place the honeycomb stencil onto the inked panel and

gently apply a baby wipe over it to remove the ink. Remove the stencil and dry the panel using a heat tool.

3 Use Distress Ink to stencil the semicircles onto the stencilled panel. Stamp the image and sentiment onto the bottom, dabbing the

inked stamps with scrunched paper to achieve texture.

4 Apply paste through both stencil designs across the panel and, once the paste is clear, gently burnish silver foil on top. Layer the panel onto black cardstock and then the card front to finish.

You will need

- white & black cardstock
- white 7x5" card blank
- That's Crafty! Honeycomb Background & Half Circles Background Dinky Stencils
- Sara Signature Just for Men Collection Rock Star & Street Wise stamp sets
- Shaded Lilac, Wilted Violet Twisted Citron & Mowed Lawn Ranger Tim Holtz Distress Ink
- ink-blending tool
- heat tool
- Onyx Black VersaFine inepad
- silver Pebeo Mirror Effect Metal Leaf
- Pebeo Mixton Gilding Paste Tube
- heat tool
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Shani Thomas



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- pencil crayons
- pink, yellow & green buttons
- green & aqua ribbon
- blue enamel dots
- purple pearls
- pink, green & yellow thread
- My Favorite Things Die-namics Circle, Fishtail Flags, Oval & Square STAX die sets
- manual die-cutting machine
- 3D foam tape

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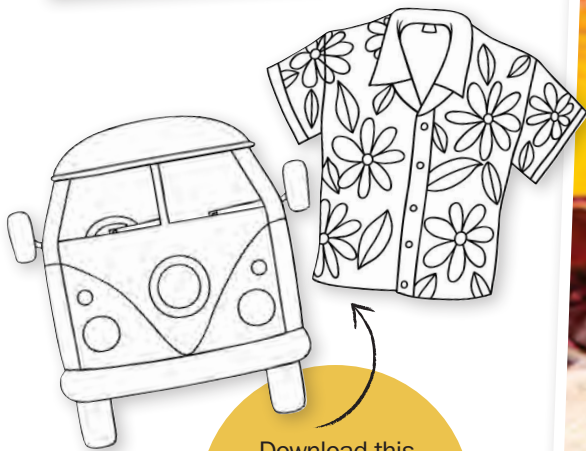
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Collecting memories

Emilia van den Heuvel customises a beautiful photo display featuring Kaisercraft's Mademoiselle collection

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Top tip

Why not scan and print old photographs to feature them and preserve the originals?

Top tip

Don't be afraid to use your fingers to spread and smudge the ink on the frame to cover it efficiently!

You will need

- Kaisercraft Beyond The Page Nine Frame Photo Display
- Kaisercraft Mademoiselle Collection Floral Spray & Lady Like 12x12" papers
- Kaisercraft Mademoiselle Collection paper pad, Collectables & sticker sheet
- Kaisercraft Flourish Pack Antiques
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- Star Dust Ranger Stickles glitter glue
- Kaisercraft Mini Foliage & Foliage dies
- Spellbinders Decorative Elements Nestabilities Resplendent Rectangles dies
- Spellbinders Majestic Elements Nestabilities Opulent Ovals dies
- manual die-cutting machine
- computer & printer
- paintbrush

Step by step



1 Place the MDF aperture panel (the photo frame panel) onto the back panel of the photo display and carefully mark the apertures as a guide for the pictures.



2 Use a paintbrush to cover the MDF photo frame panel with white paint, ensuring the inside of the apertures are painted, then allow it to dry naturally.



3 Once the photo frame panel is dry, cover the front of it with pink ink by dragging the inkpad across the surface to achieve a distressed look.



4 Cut out a selection of patterned papers to fit inside the small photo frames and customise them with stamps and ink. Affix them inside the marked frames on the back panel.



5 Select the photographs for the large frames, measure the large frames and print the photographs to fit inside. Affix them inside the marked frames on the back panel.



6 Decorate the smaller frames of patterned paper with die-cut frames and wooden embellishments as shown.



7 Die-cut brown flourishes and secure them, along with paper blooms, onto the picture frame. Ensure that you do not cover too much of the photographs.



8 Cut out the sentiments and affix them inside the frames, including the top-right photograph, as shown to finish.

Craft with Kay

Kay Halliwell-Sutton shares the latest from IndigoBlu HQ and allows us to take a peek inside her fabulously creative art journal

Kay Halliwell-Sutton



Although it's summer, it's beginning to look a lot like Christmas here at IndigoBlu HQ! We were busy designing Christmas products in spring to release them in time – now, in the middle of summer! This always feels so strange, no matter how many years we've been doing it, but we're all starting to get ready and prepare our Christmas cards for the season so the timing's perfect! It doesn't seem five minutes since I was designing them; is this a sign of encroaching age when the months seem to fly by as quickly as weeks I wonder?

This year I thought it would be good to create stamps that

could be used all year round. Inspired by my love of unicorns and the stories of C.S. Lewis, we created 'Jewel', our unicorn stamp. This, combined with our Unicorn Sparkles Magical glitter that's collected by the wee folk of the winterland wood, is guaranteed to bring a sprinkle of happiness and fairytale magic into your projects.

We often take inspiration and suggestions from our friends on the Design Team too when it comes to designing products; Jenny Marples inspired our 'Country House' stamp after requesting a doorway, while Elizabeth Robinson requested word stencils and a vintage globe

that we included on our 'Peace on Earth' stamp set. I love the team effort that goes into our products, and I hope that you like our new release!

It's a never-ending cycle of creating new products so I'm busy designing the next release of IndigoBlu goodies. With this in mind, I'm giving you a little insight inside the pages of my personal art journal. This is where my design process starts and it's my place to try out the latest designs and experiment with my not-so-small art stash! I enjoy nothing more than going to the bottom of the garden to my studio (otherwise known as a glorified shed!), opening the windows, turning on the radio

and getting creative. I use my journal to express my inner feelings as well as to record results and experiment with our products. Sometimes I'll make a huge mistake that can lead to an effect I really like, so I'll scribble a note of what I did on the page and hope that I can recreate the happy accident. This is fitting as we have a sign at IndigoBlu HQ that reads 'Remember, there are no mistakes, only lessons'. I urge you to think about the words of this sign when you're playing and getting creative. Enjoy the creative journey and let it take you on adventure!

Love Kay



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Dimensional delights

Lynette Jasper



Get a head start on your festive makes with the brand-new
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Christmas sparkle

You will need

- white 7"-square card blank
- Hunkydory Sparkling Snowflakes & Festive Luxury Liftables pads
- Hunkydory Essential Book of Christmas Sentiments 2016
- Stunning Silver Mirri Card
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- coloured pencils
- gems
- 3D foam pads

Simply make

- 1 Cover the card front with Mirri Card, layer with Jet Stream cardstock on top, leaving a narrow border, and repeat with a panel of patterned paper.
- 2 Layer Jet Stream cardstock onto a 6" square of Mirri Card, leaving a narrow border.
- 3 Affix the snowflake Liftables design on top of the square panel and colour the snowflakes using coloured pencils.

Top tip

Ensure the liftable elements remain free of adhesive

- 4 Use 3D foam pads to attach the snowflake panel onto the card front. Lift each point of the snowflakes as shown.
- 5 Add a sentiment to the centre of the card front using 3D foam pads and embellish the snowflakes with gems to finish.



Simply shopping

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Anne-Marie Catterall



and cover them with glitter. Shake off the excess.

2 Colour the gingerbread men Liftables sheet with Distress Markers and a waterbrush, add detail with a fine-line pen and lift the edges of the gingerbread men as shown.

3 Adhere the panel to a 6"-square piece of Mirri Card and secure it to the card front using 3D foam pads to finish.

Simply make

1 Layer the card front with diagonal strips of double-sided tape as shown, remove the backing from each piece

You will need

- white 7"-square card blank
- Hunkydory Christmas Cheer Liftables pad
- Rich Gold Mirri Card
- black fine-line pen
- waterbrush
- Rusty Hinge, Barn Door & Forest Moss Ranger Tim Holtz Distress Markers
- Festive Red Hunkydory Diamond Sparkles glitter
- 3D foam pads

Gingerbread dreams



Top tip

Draw pencil lines across the card front to mark where you where to place the tape accurately



White Christmas

You will need

- white 7"-square card blank
- Hunkydory Sparkling Snowflakes & Festive Luxury Liftables pads
- Stunning Silver Mirri Card
- gemstones
- 3D foam pads

Simply make

- 1 Cover the card front with patterned paper.
- 2 Mount the snowflake Liftables sheet onto silver Mirri Card, leaving a narrow border.
- 3 Lift the points of each snowflake and secure the panel to the card front using 3D foam pads.
- 4 Embellish the centre of the snowflakes with gems to finish.



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