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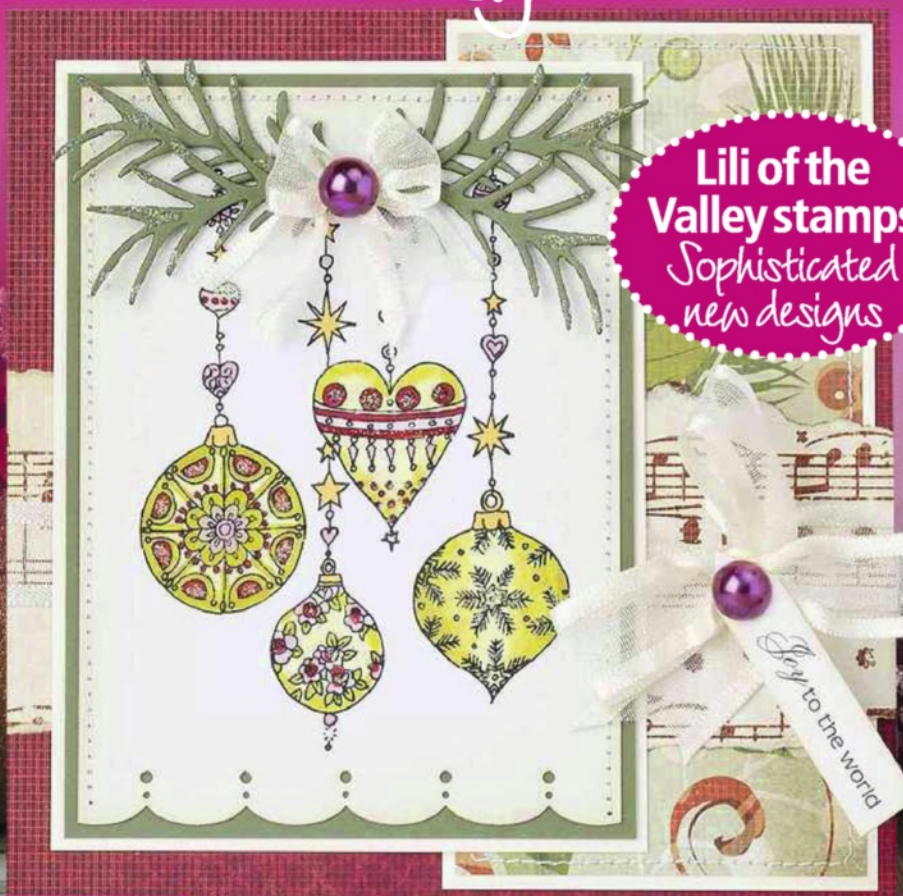
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Get creative with your free Somebunny to Love stamp set
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Quick Cards loves

The Christmas decorations have gone up in the *Quick Cards* office, and we're definitely embracing the festive spirit. Part of the reason we're so excited is that there are so many new collections to get creative with. You can get started right away with this month's fab free Somebunny to Love stamps too – be inspired on page 6.

Fall in love with our gorgeous, glittery snow globe cards on page 14, and don't miss the new Lili of the Valley Christmas stamps on page 35. Give your home a festive feel with our star wreath on page 32 and try out our glamorous gift wrapping ideas on page 27 – the presents under your tree will never have looked so good!

Turn to page 22 to enter our £1,500 Sizzix competition. You could win one of eight Big Shot™ machines too – now *that's* what we call a Christmas present!

Cath Davies
Editor
cath.davies@immediate.co.uk

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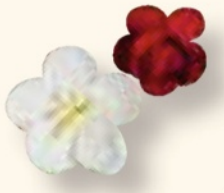
Festive stamps

You'll love our cute Somebunny to Love Christmas stamps!

Your exclusive character stamps

This Christmas, we've bought you an extra-special bonus gift – a set of adorable Somebunny to Love festive stamps! Make cards featuring everyone's favourite bunny carol singing, sledding with his furry friends and getting into mischief with some Christmas stockings – send in photos of them too!

top tip
Wrap your cards with a length of ribbon for a professional finish.



Colour in your free stamps using warm, festive colours.



Make this card using your free gift



Cut a 14x14cm piece of red paper. Top with two 13.5x7cm pieces of patterned paper. Wrap the join with ribbon and stick to a 15x15cm kraft card base.



Stamp the Christmas stocking image, colour in and die cut into a circle. Mount onto another circle cut from red paper and add to card with foam pads.



Stamp your sentiment onto kraft card and cut out into a label shape. Add to your card with foam pads. Finish with a selection of paper flowers and adhesive pearls.

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Give a luxury feel with pretty ribbons and twine-threaded buttons.

your stamps a new look.



top tip

Use your stamps together to create a cute festive scene!



Add a little glitter to pick up on snowy stamp details.



This versatile sentiment can be used on all your Christmas makes this year!

We want to see what you make using your free gifts! Email: **gift@quick-cards.co.uk** or write to us at: **Using my free gifts, *Quick Cards*, Immediate Media Co, 9th Floor, Tower House, Fairfax Street, Bristol BS1 3BN**



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Crafty attic

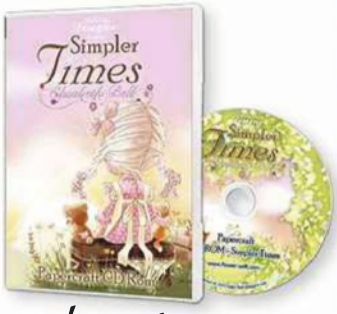
I'd like to thank you for the inspiration I find in every issue of *Quick Cards*. Here's a photo of me in my crafty attic – my little piece of heaven. It gets very messy when I work there but I just love it and can spend hours making cards. It's also great when I find some goodies in my stash that I forgot about – always a bonus!

My stash is growing pretty quickly considering the fact that I only started papercrafting last autumn. I even started selling my cards and donated some to a charity my friend is involved with.

The 40th anniversary card is inspired by one of the cards you featured in issue 115, while on other cards I've used free papers from *QCME* and your sister mag, *Cardmaking & Papercraft*.

Barbara Konopka, West Yorkshire

Cath: Wow, your crafty attic too, Barbara!



Win!

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Barbara in her



Barbara used our free papers to make these cards



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May loves her free Wild Rose Studio stamp!

Crafty Christmas

I have always tried to make my own Christmas cards but somehow I end up buying some each year as I run out of ideas. This year though, with the help of *Quick Cards* magazine, I feel really inspired and with all the freebie papers and stamps, I have loads of ideas! Now I vow that all of my friends and family will get a special card handmade by me.

Paula Hill, by email

Cath: You have been busy, Paula – well done!

Stamping fun

Here are some cards I made using the free stamp and papers from issue 118 of *Quick Cards*. I really hope you like them!

It was a very enjoyable way to get started on this year's Christmas cards. Once I run out of the papers I will continue to use the stamp with other papers, or use it with embossing folders as I have done on one of these cards. Thank you for the lovely gift!

May Jones, Lincoln

Cath: These are lovely cards, May! Anyone would be pleased to receive one.



Paula's been very busy with her Christmas crafting

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Your letters

SPECIAL DELIVERY



Pam's brother and his wife loved their ruby anniversary card

Here is a card that I made for my brother and sister-in-law for their ruby wedding anniversary.

I needed to do it fast as I hadn't realised it was their 40th this year, so I found a lovely church stamp as it looked like the church in which they got married. I used some dies that I had, together with red card, ribbon and a brad, and as it was their ruby anniversary I added red distress ink to colour the background.

They liked the card so much that they bought a frame to put it in!

Pam Stubbs, Crewe

Cath: This is very pretty, Pam! The church is a lovely touch, too.

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Helen used watercolour pencils to colour in her image

Skater girl

I just wanted to send you the card I made using this month's free gift. I'm not a stamper but I had a go again and I must admit that I'm getting addicted! I don't own any ProMarkers to do the colouring in so I used water colour pencils and glitter glue, but I think it worked pretty well!

Helen Wilshaw, Shropshire

Cath: What a gorgeous card, Helen! The watercolour pencils have worked brilliantly too – very pretty indeed.



Thank you

I wanted to share with you a recent card that I made to celebrate Teachers' Day (28 September).

Since I started making cards, I've met a lot of crafters who have taught me new techniques and given inspiration to keep crafting – so this was my way of thanking them. I hope you like it!

Ann Chuang, Taiwan

Cath: What a nice idea, Ann! We keep learning new techniques too!



Ann's stylish thank you card

I thought I had lost my card making mojo, until I read the feature on making pocket cards by Katina Killey in issue 118 of *Quick Cards Made Easy*. Bam! Out came the stash and hey presto I'm back, totally inspired!

Here's a birthday card I made for my sister using the pocket technique. I know she's going to love it and I cant wait to make some more. Many thanks!

Cath Richmond, Bridgend

Cath: I'm so glad we brought your mojo back, Cath! You've done a fantastic job on the pocket card as well.

facebook fan of the month



Debbie Siddle

Being picked as your Facebook Fan of the Month on my birthday really was a wonderful present! I've sent cards into the magazine before and I always get involved on your Facebook page, so it was a lovely surprise.



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Competition WINNERS

In issue 117, we asked you to make us your cutest card. Here are three of our lucky winners!



Mrs Peta Elliott-Mills, Llanymynech
Cath: I love this cuddly teddy bear. So cute!

Furry friends

Jenny McRonald, Heswall
Cath: These mice look like





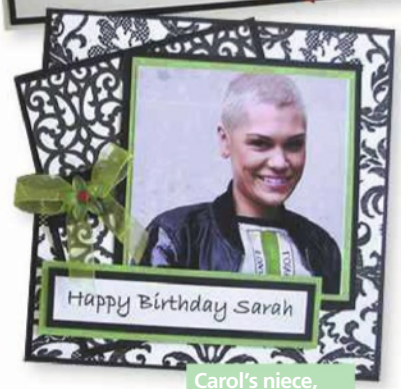
Rachel Hall, Luton
Cath: What a sweet card, Rachel! Cute Christmas cards are always lovely.



Dianne's quirky cards!

I live in Tenambit in New South Wales, Australia, but I recently purchased a copy of *Quick Cards Made Easy* for my iPad and thought it was great. I wish we had these sort of magazines in Australia! Here are some cards I've made. Keep it up the good work – from your overseas card making buddy!
Dianne Grayson, New South Wales, Australia
Cath: Don't forget you can download *Quick Cards* on Kindle Fire, Google Plus and Zinio as well as on iPad!





Carol's niece, Sarah, is a huge Jessie J fan

Dutch cards in October's issue, I decided to make a card using both techniques!

this one. Thank you for all the great hints and tips you give us – *Quick Cards* is definitely the best monthly magazine around!
Linda Cobb, Yeovil

Cath: That's a great idea, Linda! I like combining more than one technique in my cards too as it always gives an impressive effect.



Linda combined double dutch with apertures



Birthday bonus

My niece Sarah loves Jessie J and is a huge fan, so for her birthday this year I made her two Jessie J cards – one from my mum and the other from me. She absolutely adored them and they took pride of place on the mantelpiece!
Carol Pearce, by email

Cath: These are perfect cards for a Jessie J fan, Carol. I'm not surprised that Sarah loved receiving them!

Subs CLUB

Congratulations to these three lucky *Quick Cards* subscribers who each win this Cupcake Boutique card making set from Dovecraft

And the winners are...

- Ms S Cox, Reading
- Mrs C Rolfe, Bridgwater
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Snow globe style!

Designer Stephanie Mayne has made these beautiful snow globe cards – they're perfect for a sophisticated Christmas make!

Stephanie Mayne's collection of snow globe cards is ideal for Christmas – especially if you want to try something other than a traditional green and red colour scheme. All the cards use acetate to create a snow globe effect, but we love how Stephanie has experimented with different backdrops and elements to give you lots of different ways to create a snowy scene.

To get the look, Stephanie used the First Edition Silent Night paper stack with foiled details, but experiment with different paper collections to create some stylish, snowy cards that friends and family will love receiving!

SHOPPING LIST

- ☑ First Edition Silent Night 6x6 papers
  From Trimcraft
- ☑ Silver and white embellishment kit
  From Hobbycraft
- ☑ Sizzix Snowflakes 2 stamps and dies
  From Sizzix
- ☑ Grey, white, silver mirri, kraft, and blue cardstock
- ☑ Acetate sheet
- ☑ White StazOn ink pad
- ☑ Ribbon
- ☑ 1¾" circle punch
- ☑ Spellbinders Nestabilities circle dies
- ☑ Liquid Pearls in platinum
- ☑ Stampin' Up! Crumb Cake, Baja Breeze and Basic Grey ink pads
- ☑ Adhesive gems
- ☑ Glitter embossing powder
- ☑ Glitter glue
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Stephanie shows us some different ways to make snow globe cards

Wishes

1 Stamp some snowflakes onto the top left corner and bottom right corner of a 12x12cm card base using blue, grey and brown inks. Add dots of glitter glue between them.

2 Mount a 9x10.5cm piece of blue patterned paper onto kraft card, leaving a narrow border.

3 Cut a snow globe base from grey card. Stick to the bottom of the panel. Cut two 7cm-wide circles of light blue patterned paper and acetate. Stick the blue circle to the panel above the snow globe base.

4 Stamp and die cut three snowflakes using the brown, blue and grey ink pads. Stick the largest one down and then add the others using foam pads. Stick the acetate circle on top with clear drying glue. Top with an adhesive gem.

5 Attach the panel to the card front using foam pads. Add a small bow to the base. Print the greeting in grey ink onto white card. Trim and stick to the top left corner to finish your design.



Snowy

Quick Cards Easy make

30 mins

Card size 12cm 12cm

25 mins

Card size 12cm 12cm

1 Cut a 10.5cm square of the foiled patterned paper and mount onto mirri card, leaving a narrow border. Using a 1¾" circle punch, punch the aperture in the lower right side of the card.

2 Put this layer onto a 12x12cm card blank and trace the circle through. Remove the layer. Cut a square of the blue spotty paper and stick over the circle you traced. Take a silver snowflake and stick on top.

3 Stick a piece of acetate behind the punched circle. Stick foam pads around the edge. Place the beads onto the snowflake area then stick the top layer over the card front, sealing the beads in the snow globe.

4 Add a base to the snow globe cut from the foiled paper. Use liquid pearls to create a studded look, and use them to draw around the acetate circle.

5 Stick a piece of grey ribbon down the left side of the card front and add a bow at the top. Dot on some liquid pearls. Finish your card with a printed greeting cut into a banner and stuck by the bow.



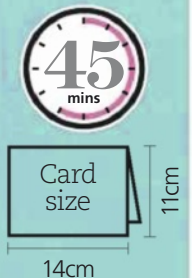
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New technique

Quick Cards some Skill needed



Snow scene



1 Cut a 21.5x14cm piece of white card. Turn landscape. Working from top to bottom, mark at 3cm and 11cm, 2.5cm in from the left edge and 3cm from the right edge. Using a scalpel, cut along the 3cm and 11cm lines.

2 Mark at 2.5cm, 5cm, 11cm and 13cm from left. Score down the 2.5cm and 5cm lines either side of the cut lines, and do the same for the marks at 13cm. For the mark at 11cm, score between the cut lines. Fold your card in half to make a stepper card.

3 Cut a 2.5cm strip of blue patterned paper and stamp small snowflakes down it. Stick a piece either side of the stepper card base. Cut a 7x8cm piece of glitter embossed paper and stick to the centre. Then cut a 13.5x2.25cm strip of grey spotty paper to stick along the bottom of the card. Add a thin strip of the stripy foiled paper across the centre.

4 Cut the small base from grey card and stick to the bottom of the centre panel. Cut a 6cm-wide circle of white card and a circle of acetate. Use a sponge and dab the blue ink onto the edges of the white circle, fading to the centre.

5 Using the blue and grey ink pads, stamp snowflakes onto the circle. Top with glitter glue. Stamp white snowflakes onto the acetate then stick on top with a snowflake in between. Finish with a ribbon, a sentiment and gems.

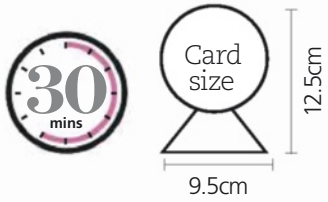


Photo fun



Fold a 25x10cm piece of card in half and draw a snow globe shape with the fold at the top. Cut out a circle on one side.



Choose a photograph of a snowy scene, and cut into a circle to sit inside the card so it shows through the frame. Stick in place.



Cut a circle of acetate and stick under the frame. Top with a base cut from metallic paper and tie a blue bow around the join.

New technique

Quick Cards some **Skill needed**

Top your globe with snow detail for an authentic winter look!

These die-cut snowflakes give a fun, festive feel.



Cut a white circle, then cut out an uneven shape to give the impression of snow. Stick this to the top of your acetate layer.



Die cut some snowflakes and stick onto the acetate. Top with glitter glue, adding some to the snow detail at the top too.



Finish your card with adhesive gems inside the snowflakes and a sentiment stuck beneath the ribbon on the snow globe base.

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New technique

Quick Cards for the Keen crafter



40 mins

Card size 12cm × 11cm

Cityscape



Score across the middle of the front panel of a 12x12cm base card and fold to create an easel card. Cover the top panel with paper.



Cover the easel base with paper. Cut a globe from kraft card and stick in place. Cover with paper and add a snowflake.



Cut a grey circle with an aperture, leaving a frame. Stick an acetate circle behind. Draw a city scene onto grey card and stick behind.



Edge the snow globe with foam pads, being careful not to leave any gaps. Put silver sequins in the centre of the globe.



Stick the city frame over the snowglobe to trap the sequins behind the acetate. Add glitter glue around the edge of the frame.



Decorate your globe with a snowflake. Cover the base of your easel with a strip of grey card and add ribbon and a sentiment.

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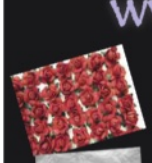
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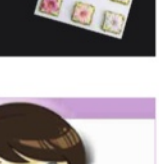














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I reveal the latest news, gossip and highlights from the world of card making and craft

What's on at... Christmas



By Hayley Rowe

Festive fun

We love these new Christmas-themed Purple Ronnie digikits from Daisytrail. For use with CraftArtist software, these fun kits are available for just £1.99 from **http://shop.daisytrail.com.** We think they're ideal for making humourous cards for all of your family and friends.



Go shop!

After spending the last couple of months making cards, you probably haven't had much time for Christmas shopping. Which is why The Festive Gift Fair at the NEC in Birmingham on 21–24 November is so appealing. With over 325 stalls of festive goodies on offer, you can do all of your shopping in one go. Perfect! Tickets cost £8.50-£9.50 and are available from **www.theticketfactory.com**. Find out more at **www.festivegiftfair.co.uk**.

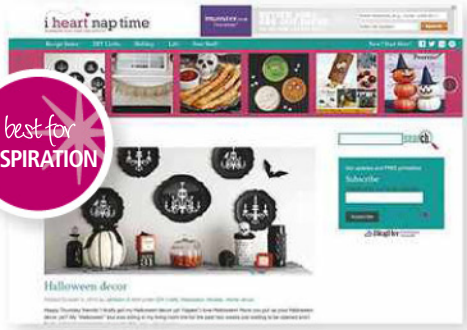


PENELOPE!

Meet Penelope, the cutest new arrival at Wild Rose Studio. Available in both clear and cling rubber stamps (£5.49 and £6.49) she's going to be a firm favourite with card makers. To find your nearest Wild Rose Studio stockist, visit **www.wildrosestudio.co.uk/stockists**.



Websites of the month



www.iheartnaptime.net **– This fab site brings together inspirational tutorials on a range of crafts into one handy place!**



www.kellyskrafts.co.uk **– You'll find all sorts of papercraft goodies at Kellys Krafts – and all at a very reasonable price, too!**



www.stampinpretty.com **– This cheerful site is the perfect place for passionate stampers. It's packed full of innovative ideas.**



What do you like to use for those finishing touches?

"Bling… of any kind!"
Joy Bland

"My must-have craft item is my trinket box of oddments that I've collected over the years. They make perfect embellishments and can't be bought in any shop."
Rita Smith

"Dazzling diamonds, pearls or any type of bling. Oh, and flowers too!"
Sarah Olsson

"I like to use buttons and most recently, sequins! I do love my sequins."
Jocelyn Knight

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Quick Cards made easy Calendar

Don't forget these important Christmas dates..

LIVING CRAFTS FOR CHRISTMAS
15–17 NOVEMBER
Enjoy Christmas shopping in style in a majestic setting at Living Crafts for Christmas. It is the highlight of the festive season at Blenheim Palace!
www.livingcrafts.co.uk

THE FESTIVE GIFT FAIR
21–24 NOVEMBER
Do all your Christmas Shopping in one fell swoop, AND have a fun day out with friends at The Festive Gift Fair at the NEC in Birmingham.
www.festivegiftfair.co.uk



THANKSGIVING
28 NOVEMBER
We might not celebrate Thanksgiving in the UK, but we'll be thinking of our friends in the USA today. We hope you have a great holiday!

NEXT ISSUE ON SALE
5 DECEMBER
Put a note in your diary to pick up issue 121 of Quick Cards – it goes on sale today, so be sure to get your copy! You'll love the free Thank You gift set, designed by Jenny Ellory!



Gift only available with the print version of *Quick Cards Made Easy*

HANDMADE CHRISTMAS
13–15 DECEMBER
Enjoy some of Britain's best and brightest designers, crafters and hobbyists this December at this superb four-day Christmas event at The O2 in London.
www.handmadechristmas.co.uk

LAST POSTING DAY
20 DECEMBER
If you're sending your cards by Royal Mail First Class, today is the last chance to post them in time for Christmas Day – it's Tuesday 18 December for Second Class!





TOP TAPES!

We love this funky new range of washi tapes from Scotch. Bright and bold and available in nine different colours and patterns, they're absolutely perfect for card making and scrapbooking projects, not to mention gift wrapping! The tapes come in 10mm and 15mm widths and are a whopping 10m long, so you won't be running out of tape any time soon! Scotch Expressions Washi Tapes can be purchased for £2.79–£4.49 (RRP) from larger WHSmith stores or online at **www.3mdirect.co.uk** and **www.amazon.co.uk**.

Win with Sizzix

We've teamed up with Sizzix® to give you the chance to win some amazing prizes!



For lots more inspirational project ideas, visit the Sizzix blog at www.sizzix.co.uk/blogs

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- Sizzix Big Shot machine – 657900
- Sizzix Thinlits Die Set 3PK: Alluring Hearts – 658916
- Sizzix Thinlits Die Set 4PK: Medallion, Layering Heart – 658915
- Sizzix Sizzlits Decorative Strip Die: Flower & Heart Charms – 658918
- Sizzix Sizzlits Decorative Strip Die: Lace, Victorian – 658919
- Sizzix Sizzlits Decorative Strip Die: Love-ly Border – 658920
- Sizzix Sizzlits Decorative Strip Die: Romantic Ruffle – 658921
- Sizzix Textured Impressions Embossing Folders 2PK: Lace Set #2 – 658924
- Sizzix Bigz Die: Doily, Classical Lace – 658922
- Sizzix Bigz Die: Hearts, True Affections – 658923
- Emma's Shoppe digital papers *From Crate Paper*
- Ranger Tim Holtz distress ink in Tea Dye *From Inkylicious*
- Twine and pearls *From The Ribbon Girl*
- Tiny everyday sentiments *From Pink Petticoat*
- Wooden buttons, twine and adhesive gems *From your local craft shop*

With love

1 Cut a 14.5x14.5cm piece of green paper, ink the edges and add to a 15x15cm card base. Cut a 14x5cm piece of flower paper, ink edges and stick to top of card.

2 Cut a 14x10cm piece of pink paper. Ink edges. Top with a selection of border strips cut from different papers and add to base.

3 Cut a large heart from woodgrain paper. Cut a green heart border and mount on top of it. Cut a heart insert from pink paper, ink edges and stick on top. Add to base with foam pads.

4 Cut out a sentiment using the small heart die. Ink edges and attach as shown. Finish with adhesive pearls and a wooden heart.

Lots of love

1 Cut a 14.5x14.5cm piece of red spotty paper, ink the edges and add to a 15x15cm card base. Cut a 14x14cm piece of flower paper. Ink around edges and add to card base.

2 Cut a 14x8cm piece of pink paper. Emboss using the Lace Set #2 embossing folder, ink edges and add to base.

3 Die cut two hearts from green and blue paper. Ink edges. Top with lace hearts die cut from woodgrain paper. Ink edges and add both to embossed panel.

4 Print sentiment and cut into a banner shape. Ink edges and stick in place. Top with a button threaded with twine and finish with adhesive pearls and twine bows.

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GET THE MOST from your dies

The experts at Sizzix® share their top tips for amazing die cutting results – every time!



TOP TIPS

1 Use sticky notes to fix your dies on patterned paper. They won't leave a mark and are easy to remove.

2 Get creative – Sizzix Bigz and Originals dies cut through lots of materials, including textiles, leather, felt and acetate!

3 When making a batch of cards, use Bigz or Originals dies to cut multiple shapes in one pass through the machine, saving valuable time!

4 More intricate dies may need a few passes through your machine. Use a shim of scrap card to apply a little more pressure for a clean finish.



£1,500! worth of prizes!

Sizzix® are offering eight readers the chance to win a Big Shot™ machine along with a selection of dies from the stunning new Laced with Love range by Scrappy Cat®! Three winners will each receive a prize worth over £244 and five runners-up will each receive a prize worth over £154. To enter, just answer this simple question:

Which of these would you *not* put through a Big Shot™ machine?

A: Die
B: Embossing folder
C: Glitter glue



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Alternatively, send your answer on a postcard to: Sizzix Competition, *QCME* 120, Immediate Media Co, Tower House, Fairfax Street, Bristol BS1 3BN or enter at www.cardmakingandpapercraft.com.

Competition closes 9 December 2013. For more information on the full Sizzix collection just visit **www.sizzix.co.uk**.

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Revolutionary Trimmers and Guillotine



Whether you're a crafter who loves creating super-size projects or one who's always on the move, meeting up at craft clubs and at friends houses, there'll be a revolutionary trimmer or guillotine from the Clevercut range that's perfect for you!

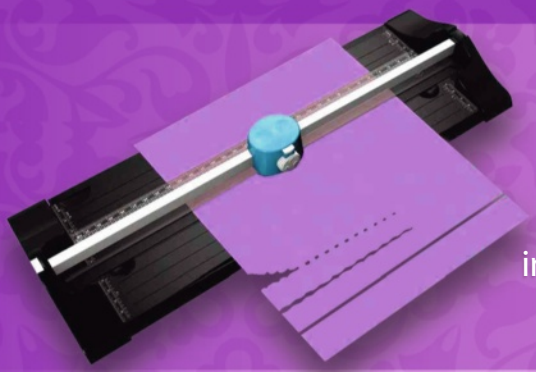


clevercut

This 5-in-1 rotary paper trimmer includes four built-in interchangeable blades plus an integrated corner rounder punch. The cutting blades include straight, skip, wave and score, and the trimmer has a five sheet cutting capacity.

RRP:£29.99

Perfect for the crafter who loves to create special effect cards!



clevercut mini

This 3-in-1 extendable rotary paper trimmer allows you to cut straight, wave and perforated lines. It has three built-in interchangeable blades on an easy to switch rotary dial and an extendible arm allowing you to cut up to 12" x 12" papers.

RRP:£12.99

Perfect for the crafter who loves to craft on the move!



clevercut maxi

This large guillotine can cut sizes up to A3 and 16" x 16" and has measurements in both inches and centimetres. The push-down guard secures paper in place, and the self-sharpening blade cuts cleanly giving you a five sheet cutting capacity.

RRP:£39.99

Perfect for the crafter who loves super-size projects!

The Clevercut range is available to buy at **www.crafterscompanion.co.uk**, by telephone on **0845 296 0042** or through your local Crafter's Companion stockist!

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Festive finds

Christmas is the perfect time for buying new stash – there are so many goodies out there! So, we've decided to check out the festive buys our designers have fallen in love with!

Katie Berberich

"A good paper stack should offer a variety of designs in a range of pattern sizes, as this one does. I love the elegant feel of this collection – it had me at the damask and chevrons!"
Carta Bella, So, This is Christmas 6x6 paper pad, £5.99; www.craftie-charlie.co.uk.



Jane Millard

"I love these die cut numbers. The font and colours have a great retro feel. I'll be using them to decorate envelopes to hang on a wreath as an alternative to an advent calendar!"
Basic Grey 25th and Pine die cut numbers, £3.99; www.sarahscardsltd.com.





Fizzy Moon Christmas digi kits, £4.99 each; **shop.daisytrail.com.**



"These gorgeous Nordic-style papers are so on trend, and with a twist on the traditional green and red colour palette, they are coordinate my tree decorations!"

Katina Killey

"If you want to add a touch of luxury to your cards, these super-sparkly snowflake-shaped embellishments from Stampin' Up! are just perfect. They'd look great on gift tags, too – so stylish!"
Frosted Finishes Embellishments, £6.25 for 12; www.stampinup.co.uk.



Tracey Grundy

"The Gingerbread collection from Kaisercraft is ideal for the festive period too! Turn house cards I made with the range!"
Kaisercraft, Gingerbread Collection, 82p for individual sheets of paper; www.merlyimpressions.co.uk.







Ruth Southorn

"I think these festive dies are fab – and just the right size for layering onto cards. I love the way that you can layer up the pieces with different shades of card to build floral clusters that'll be perfect for the focus of a Christmas card."
Tattered Lace Christmas Florals dies, £14.99 each; www.crafting.co.uk.



Annie Bellamy

"I love these chipboard stickers from the 'Tis The Season range at Echo Park. They would work well on scrapbook pages, they'd be great as Christmas card toppers and could be used to make tags too. I can't wait to put them to good use!"
Echo Park, Tis the Season Adhesive Chipboard Stickers, £3.99; www.craftie-charlie.co.uk.

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Gorgeous gift ideas

Make your presents stand out under the tree with these bags and boxes! By Vicky Sheridan



Gorgeous gifts

Half the fun of Christmas presents is opening them! Friends and family will love receiving gifts wrapped with these pretty packaging ideas – they're an easy way to make your presents look extra special when they're nestled under the tree.



This pretty plant holder makes a simple gift look fab

Plant holder

SHOPPING LIST

- Fancy Pants Merry Little Christmas 12x12" papers
- Fancy Pants Merry Little Christmas sticker sheet
  From Sarah's Cards Ltd
- Xcut Spiro circle nesting dies
  From The Glitter Pot
- Christmas paper bows pad
  From Craftwork Cards

1 Take a sheet of 12x12" paper and fold into quarters. Place your plant in the centre and bring all four corners up around the pot. Ease in the quarter folds and crease the paper, making a box shape around the pot. Remove the pot and secure the folds inside with tape.

2 Use various dies to create a layered topper to sit on the front of the box, adding a paper box from the pad to finish.


We'll be making these cool toppers for all our presents!

Glamorous gift bag

SHOPPING LIST

- Fancy Pants Merry Little Christmas 12x12 papers, label stickers and tape stickers
- Christmas paper bows pad
- Glitter paper
- Edging scissors



1 Take a sheet of 12x12" paper and bring two edges together, wrong sides facing, and stitch a seam along one edge to form a tube.

2 Fold the bag so the seam is in the centre and stitch along the bottom. Place the gift inside and stitch the bag closed along the top. Fold back the top edges, and use edging scissors along the edges.

3 Add an arrow sticker to the bag as shown. Use a selection of die cut shapes, cut from different papers and some glitter card, to create a layered topper. Finish it with a paper bow and a printed sentiment.

Kimberly loves...

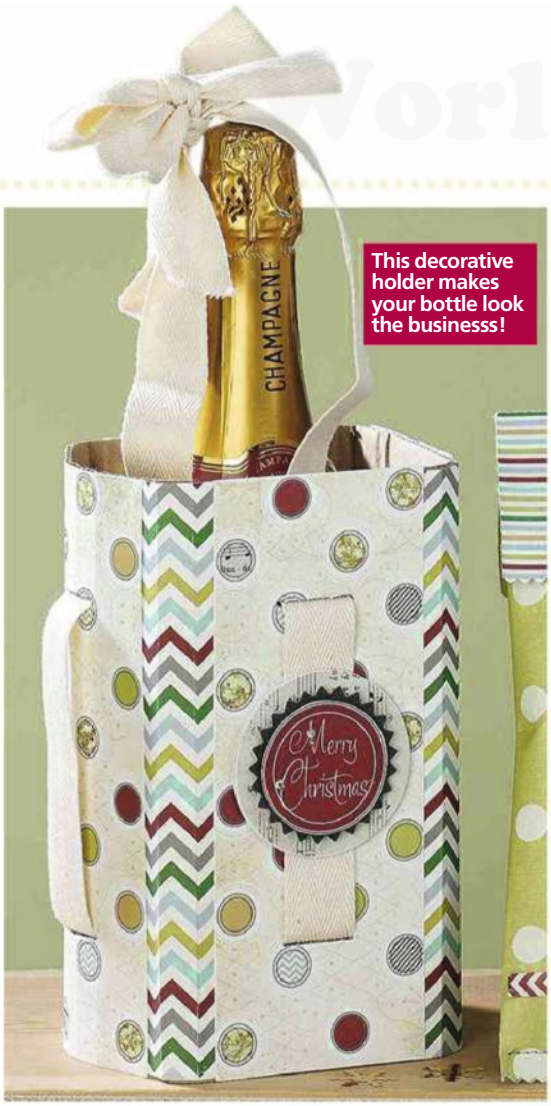
"If you don't have a big budget for gifts, these bags and boxes are a great way to make simple presents look impressive."



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Gorgeous gifts



This decorative holder makes your bottle look the businesss!

Wine bottle holder

SHOPPING LIST

- Fancy Pants Merry Little Christmas 12x12" papers
- Corrugated cardboard
- 25mm-wide cotton twill tape – you'll need around three metres
- Craft knife

40 mins

1 Cut a 41x20cm piece of corrugated cardboard. Score and fold at 10cm intervals on the longest side. Join to form a square cylinder, adding glue to the 1cm flap, and then cover with paper.

2 Using a craft knife, carefully cut two slits approximately 2.5cm from the top and bottom on all four sides.

3 Take two lengths of twill tape and thread through the slits on two opposite sides, forming a cross at the bottom of the cylinder to hold the wine bottle in place. Finish with a decorative topper on one of the sides.

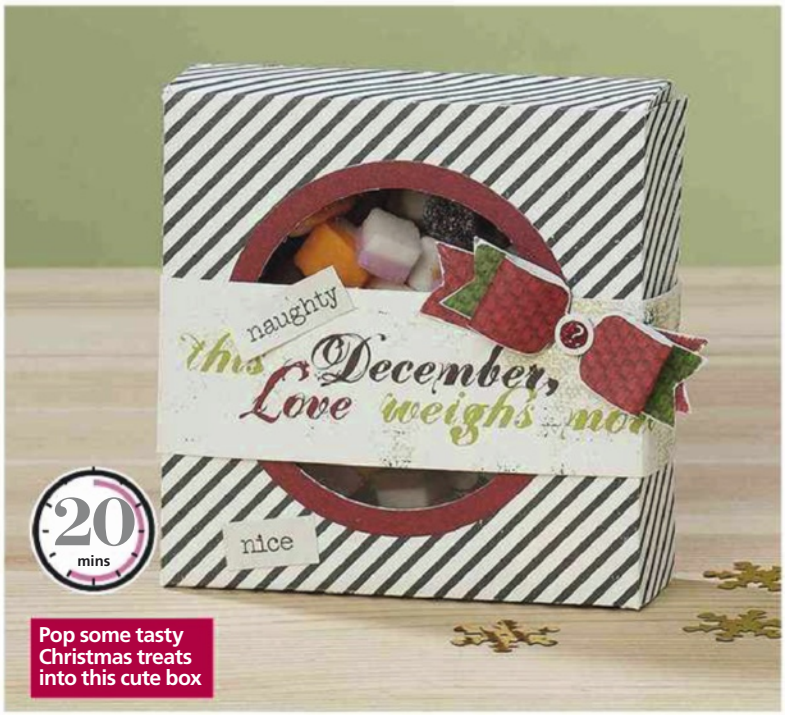
Sweetie box

SHOPPING LIST

- Fancy Pants Merry Little Christmas 12x12" papers
- Fancy Pants Merry Little Christmas sticker sheet
- Christmas paper bows pad
- Acetate sheet

1 Score a 15x27.5cm piece of paper at 2.5cm on all sides. Score at 12.5cm and 15cm on the long side.

2 Cut each fold up to where the folds cross. Fold to make a box. Cut an aperture and stick a sheet of acetate behind it. Cut a 29x3.5cm strip of paper and make a band to sit around the box. Decorate to finish.



20 mins

Pop some tasty Christmas treats into this cute box



25 mins

This is a great shape for a gift of some jewellery

Pillow gift box

SHOPPING LIST

- Fancy Pants Merry Little Christmas 12x12" papers, label stickers and tape stickers
- Christmas paper bows pad
- Crepe paper and glitter card

1 Cut a 21x21cm square of paper. Score and fold one side at 10cm and 20cm. Round both short ends with a circular template or object. Open up the folds and score a semi-circle at each end.

2 Stick down the 1cm flap and fold in the scored lines to make the pillow shape. Decorate with a frill of crepe paper and a topper made from a paper bow layered on circles of glitter and patterned paper.

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★ The Stamp Pad

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★ Crafty Nook
★ Craftzone
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South West
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★ Japonica
★ Monkton Elm Garden Centre
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★ Once Upon a Time
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★ Blade Rubber Stamps
★ The Craft Barn
★ Craftspot
★ The Glitter Pot
★ Nancyz Crafts
★ Oyster Stamps

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★ Aldridge Crafts
★ Denny's Bros Supplies Ltd.
★ Sir Stampalot
★ Stamp Addicts

Midlands
★ Blyth Craft Studio
★ Honeypot Crafts
★ Mountain Ash Crafts
★ MSA Crafts
★ Penny Holme Crafts

Scotland
★ Funky Kits
★ Stamper's Grove
★ The Papeterie

Wales
★ Bizzyfingers
★ Dandie Crafts
★ Purple Butterfly Crafts

Craft retailer who went the extra mile in your area

★ Name and town

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★ cardcraftplus.co.uk
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★ craftie-charlie.co.uk
★ createandcraft.tv
★ theglitterpot.co.uk
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Best craft chain store

★ Colemans Craft Warehouse
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★ The Range
★ Samuel Taylors
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Most inspirational craft blog

★ bevscrafts.blogspot.co.uk by Bev Rochester
★ docraftsblog.blogspot.co.uk
★ craftingwithhunkdory.tumblr.com by Anne-Marie Catterall
★ pinkpiggywiggy.blogspot.co.uk by Dawn Phillips
★ ideastoinspire.blogspot.co.uk by Lili of the Valley
★ sizzixukblog.blogspot.co.uk
★ Tell us why

Favourite papercraft range

★ Basic Grey
★ Die Cuts With a View
★ Dovecraft by Trimcraft
★ Fancy Pants Designs
★ Hunkydory Crafts
★ Papermania by docrafts
★ Pink Paislee

Stamp range you couldn't resist

★ Crafter's Companion
★ Hero Arts stamps
★ Lili of the Valley
★ Penny Black stamps
★ Sam Poole Designs for Creative Expressions
★ Wild Rose Studio
★ Woodware stamps

Die-cutting range to die for

★ Cuttlebug
★ Die-namics
★ Marianne Design
★ Sizzix
★ Spellbinders
★ Tattered Lace by Crafting.co.uk

Craft gadget you couldn't live without

★ eBosser by Craftwell
★ Cricut Mini
★ Fiskars Fuse Creativity System
★ Silhouette CAMEO
★ Sizzix BigShot
★ Spellbinders Grand Calibur

Ultimate craft punch range

★ EKSuccess
★ Fiskars
★ Martha Stewart
★ Tonic Studios
★ Woodware

Favourite craft CD-Rom range

★ Crafter's Companion
★ Debbi Moore Designs
★ Joanna Sheen
★ My Craft Studio Elite
★ Serif

Best UK craft and stitch show

★ Hobbycrafts at the NEC (ICHF)
★ The Big Stamp and Scrapbooking Show –Alexandra Palace
★ The Great British Craft Festival (Hunkydory Crafts)

Favourite Card Designer

★ Simonne Clay
★ Ruth Hamilton
★ Dawn Phillips
★ Leonie Pujol
★ Joanna Sheen
★ Katie Skilton
★ Tell us why

Favourite craft TV presenter/demonstrator

★ Anne-Marie Catterall
★ Dawn Bibby
★ Leonie Pujol
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Vote for your favourites **www.britishcraftawards.com**

Star turn!



This stylish star wreath is a must for decorating your home.

By Vicky Sheridan

Luxury Make

When it comes to Christmas decorations, every home needs a beautiful wreath to complete the festive look! Designer Vicky Sheridan has used the new DoCrafts 12 Days of Christmas paper pack and some Xcut star dies to make this clever star wreath, and it's easy to recreate the look at home. Use Christmas papers that complement the rest of your Christmas decorations, and finish your make with a selection of pretty buttons and enamel dots for contemporary Christmas style.

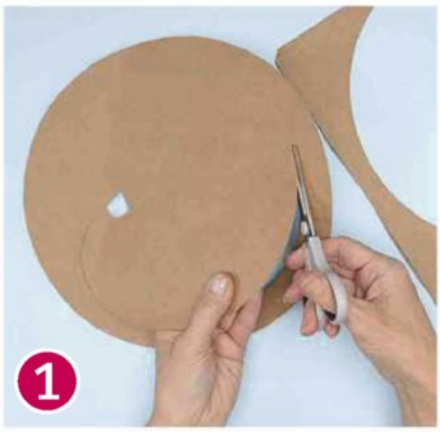


Star quality
Vicky die cut lots of starts and mounted them on a cardboard frame to make this stylish Christmas wreath.

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SHOPPING LIST

- ☑ DoCrafts 12 Days of Christmas 6x6 paper pack
  From docrafts
- ☑ Teresa Collins Far and Away enamel dots
  From Craftie Charlie
- ☑ Xcut nesting star dies
  From Hobbycraft
- ☑ Corrugated cardboard (designer Vicky used a discarded box)
- ☑ Baker's twine
- ☑ Buttons
- ☑ White cardstock
  From your local craft shop



Cut a circular frame from a cardboard box measuring around 25 cm in diameter (use a circle cutter or dinner plate to get the shape). This will form the base of your wreath.



Cover the cardboard frame with small stars cut from white card, overlapping them slightly so the plain cardboard is mostly hidden by them.



Die cut around 12 stars from different pieces of patterned paper, each measuring around 8cm wide. Score and fold a line from each point down to the centre point.



Score all of the stars in the same way. Gently pinch each star along the score lines to create a 3D effect so they stand out from the cardboard frame once attached.



Embellish the star centres with buttons, enamel dots, Christmas greetings or small stars, then stick to the frame with strong glue. Finish with a baker's twine hanger.

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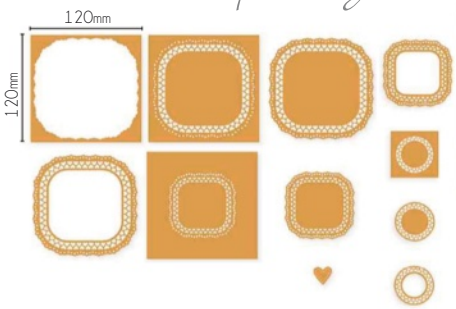


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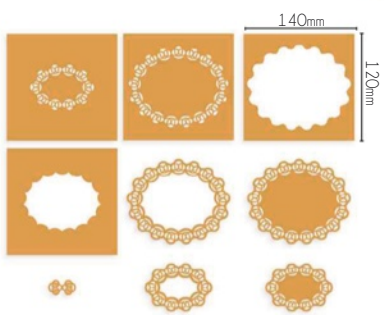
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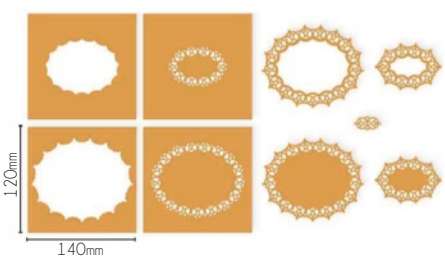


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Seasonal stamps!

Send sophisticated cards using these new Lili of the Valley stamps. By Julie Gibbs

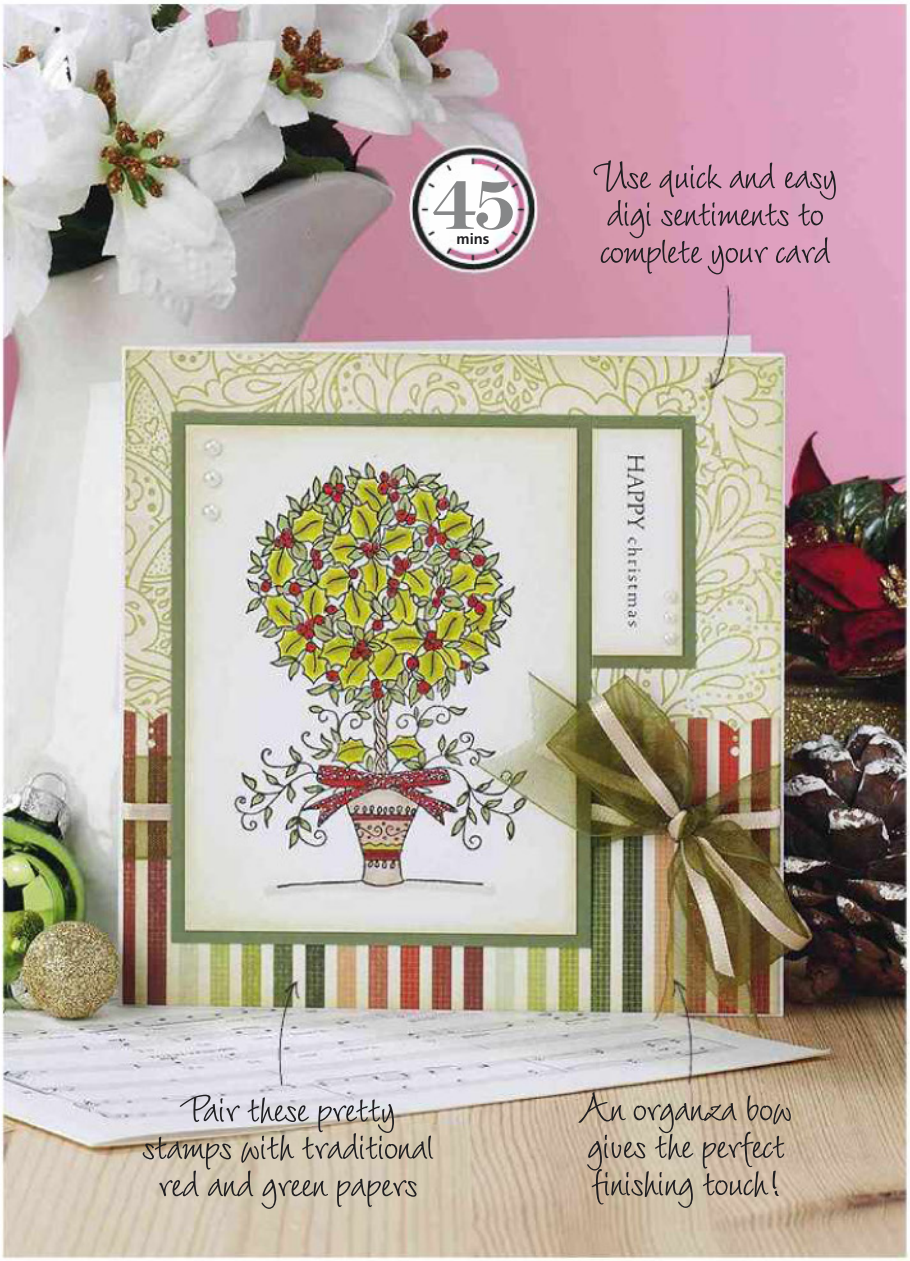


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Holly tree



Stick a square of paper to the base card. Add a 7cm-wide panel of striped paper across the bottom and punch along one of the edges. Add ribbons and stick to base.



Stamp image and colour in. Cut into a rectangle and distress edges with distressing ink. Mount onto green card, then attach to the card base as shown.



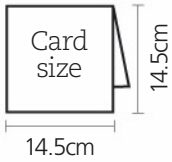
Print the sentiment, trim and distress the edges and stick to green card. Trim carefully, then stick alongside the stamped panel. Finish with adhesive pearls.

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Decorations

1 Cover card base with red paper. Stitch a panel of holly paper onto cream card, leaving a narrow border, and stick to card front.



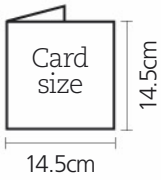
2 Trim a piece of music paper to the width of the card front and rip across the top and bottom edges. Distress the edges, stick to card front and tie a length of ribbon into a bow around the card.

3 Stamp image and colour in. Cut into a rectangle, punching the bottom edge. Distress with distress ink and machine stitch the three straight edges onto green card. Mount the whole panel onto cream card and stick to card front.

4 Die cut four branches and glue across the top of the image. Add a bow to the centre. Print off a sentiment and trim into a tag shape. Distress the edges and glue to the knot of the ribbon. Finish with adhesive pearls and Glamour Dust.

Festive cheer

1 Cut a square of sheet music paper to cover your card front. Cut a 6.5cm-wide panel of holly paper and punch one of the long edges. Stick onto the sheet music paper and wrap a length of ribbon around the middle. Stick the panel to the card.



2 Stamp the image onto cream card using the VersaMark Watermark pad and then coat with fine silver embossing powder. Shake off the excess and set what remains with a heat gun. Trim to a 8.5x11cm panel. Colour with ProMarkers and then distress the edges using the distress ink and blending tool.

3 Lay the image panel onto a rectangle of red paper and stitch around the edges. Trim to leave a narrow border and then mount this onto green card. Stick to card front.

4 Print off the sentiment, trim and distress the edges and then machine stitch to green card. Stick level with the bottom edge of the image panel and finish with pearls and a bow.

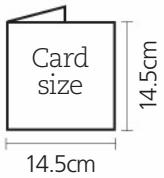


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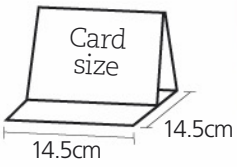
1 Cut a square of cream card to cover your card front and distress the edges with distressing ink. Cut three strips of swirly paper all 3cm deep, distress the edges and sew them with a zig-zag stitch to the cream card. Straight stitch around the edge and then stick to the card front.

2 Stamp the image onto white card and colour with ProMarkers. Cut to a 9x12.5cm rectangle, leaving room to add the sentiment panel. Distress and stitch onto green card. Add to card front with foam pads.

3 Print off the sentiment and trim to the gap below your image. Distress the edges and then stitch to patterned green paper. Trim flush at the side of the sentiment and use pinking shears on the top and bottom edges. Stick to the image panel with dimension pads and add green pearls.

4 Tie a length of red ribbon into a bow and stitch a green button on top. Stick to the top left of your card.

Festive hello



1 Take a 14.5x14.5cm card and score and fold the front of the card in half to form the base of an easel card.

2 Cover the base of the easel card with red paper and the folded down part of the easel card with striped paper. Wrap a piece of wide burgundy ribbon over the striped paper, securing with tape in the centre.

3 Cut a Christmas sentiment from the design paper and machine stitch onto cream card. Trim to leave a narrow border and stick to the base of the easel card near to the front edge.

4 Stamp the image onto white card and colour in. Cut into a 8.5x11cm rectangle. Distress with the distressing ink and stitch onto red card. Mount the stitched panel onto green card, trim to leave a narrow border, and stick to the top of the easel card.

5 Print off a sentiment, trim and distress, and then stitch to green card. Trim to leave a narrow border and stick at an angle across the image panel. Decorate the stamp with glitter glue. Add a bow to the image panel and two ribbon roses to the base of the easel card.

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Scrub up

Q Can you recommend something for cleaning my stamps? I'm never sure whether I'm doing it right!
Mary Nugent, Co. Antrim

A Dorothy: Most standard inks can be washed off using soap or dish washing detergent and water; use an old toothbrush to gently scrub keep a pack of baby

These are handy for keeping stamps clean during a cardmaking session. For solvent inks like StazOn use a StazOn cleaner. But, remember that there is a difference between stained stamps and dirty stamps. So long as the stamp doesn't discolour another ink pad then it is clean! A selection of pads and cleaning fluids is available from **www.sirstampalot.com**.



You can use an old toothbrush to clean your stamps

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Cover gift

Pretty in pink

Q I'd like to make a Christmas card for my daughter, who loves anything pink. Can you think of a cute festive design that I could make in girly colours?
Emily Howarth, Stoke

A Jane: Our adorable Somebunny stamp cover gift will be the perfect centrepiece for a card for your daughter. I have created a card layout using some gorgeous girly papers from Wild Rose Studio in shades of pink and purple and added some bright pink cardstock. I coloured the bunnies and the stockings in pinks and purples to match the papers and added a lovely spotty pink ribbon to match the cardstock. I then used more of the cardstock to die cut a poinsettia using a Dienamics die. I finished the card with some glitter glue and some adhesive gems for an extra touch of girly sparkle. I hope you like it!



Doilies are an easy way to get a scalloped edge

Q I love the look of scallop edged circles, and would like to use them on my cards, but I can't afford to buy a die cutter. Is there another way to achieve this look?
Sarah Harvey, Chilcompton

A Steph: Yes, there are a few things you could try. You can buy scallop-edged circle punches; Stampin' Up! have a few different sizes that would be perfect for matting and layering. You could go for a vintage lace look by using doilies and add some light brown ink for a distressed look. If you have a small circle punch you can also punch out several circles and add them to the reverse of a larger circle cut with a compass. Stick them around the edge of the larger circle so about half of the smaller circles protrude. This creates a lovely scallop effect and you can use any size circle for your main image. Just make sure you lay them out first and then stick them in place so you can get them evenly spaced!

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Quick fixes

Frosty fun

Q I'd like to make a card with a snow scene on for my daughter as she loves the snow. Do you have any ideas? Helen Rushton, Wakefield

A Steph: There are lots of ways to create a pretty snow scene. One of my favourites is glittered backgrounds. These are really easy to create and look very effective. First you stamp your image onto white card. Here I have used the snowflakes from Sizzix stamps and dies set snowflakes #2. Then take a VersaMark ink pad and stamp directly all over the paper, making sure you have an even coverage. Cover with hologram or iridescent embossing powder, tap off the excess powder and melt. Your background is complete and you can create some snowy hills by tearing strips of white paper and adding glitter glue to the edges. I've made a window to view my snowy scene, simply by punching four squares from white card and attaching with foam pads.

Quick tip

For really fluffy snow try using flocking powders instead of embossing powders on your Christmas cards!



This window snow scene is so stylish!



This cute pixie is perfect for kid's cards

Cute Cards

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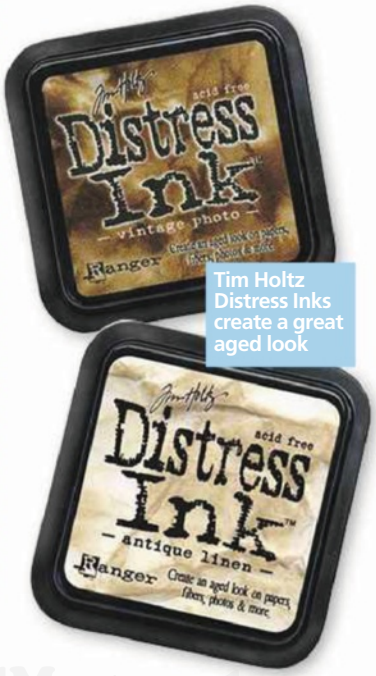
Q I'd like to make a batch of simple, but fun, thank you cards for myself and the kids to send out after Christmas. Can you think of a novel way to present them? Sue Watson, Isles of Scilly

A Katina: What a lovely idea, Sue! Why not get the kids really involved by asking them to colour in some cute digi characters? Digistamp Boutique has a fantastic selection such as the cute pixie from the Festive Pixie Set that I've used on my card. On my computer I inserted and resized the image into a Word document and used the Shapes function to add the speech bubble and message. I printed it onto white card and coloured with ProMarkers. You could change the message to suit the recipient and I'm sure your kids will enjoy colouring the character!

Sign of distress

Q I've seen cards that have had the edges distressed and I'd really like to give it a go. Can you tell me how to achieve that look please? Nina Peters, Gateshead

A Dorothy: Distressing is a technique that creates a vintage look on cards. It usually means colouring the edge of the card to make it look old and discoloured, but you can further distress the card by making the edges a bit ragged using a paper distresser or sanding block. It is possible to distress with regular ink but I've found the Tim Holtz range perfect as you can buy very subtle colours like Antique Linen or Vintage Photo. To get the look, lay the card or paper on a Teflon sheet (buy at a kitchenware shop) and dab a fine sponge into the ink. Wipe the excess off on the Teflon and then swirl the sponge over the edge of the card in small circular movements. Remember to build up the colour gradually, instead of getting the depth straight away. You can add other shades to get a graduated effect. Tim Holtz inks and paper distressers are available from www.capturethemagic.biz.



Tim Holtz Distress Inks create a great aged look

That's neat!

Q What's the best way to create a really neat fold when making your own card bases? Julie Kinnear, Liverpool

A Jane: I love making my own card bases from cardstock as it's great having the flexibility to use any size for my creations. However, a badly-folded card can create an uneven crease which does ruin the finished look of the card. Investing in a bone folder to sharpen your creases is a great idea. You could also try using a scoring board with the bone folder. These work by creasing the card along a deep channel in the board to create the perfect fold. Crafter's Companion has a great range of boards that can help you to create the perfect card bases, including fancy folds and clever 3D cards.

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Punches are the easiest way to make flowers

Make a door card

Q I'd like to make an opening door card with a wreath on the front. How would you make the door?
Margie Harrison, Truro



Cut a piece of card measuring 9.5x13cm to make the door. Score down the card panel, 1cm in from the right-hand side, using a ruler and a scoring tool.



Open the base card. Using a craft knife, cut down the card 1cm in from the right-hand side of the centre fold, leaving a 1cm gap at the top and bottom as shown.



Stick double-sided tape down the folded section of the smaller card panel, then insert inside the slit on the base card. This will create an opening door on your card.

Q What's the easiest way to make a paper flower? I'm quite new to card making so I don't have a clue!
Sandra Essex, Chilcompton

A Katina: There are so many different ways to make paper flowers for cards these days that it can be difficult to know where to start, Sandra! Simple but very pretty flowers can be made using paper punches; I like to layer different sized punched daisies and add a button, brad or pearl to the centre. Scalloped circles can also be layered, scrunched, and held together with a brad at the centre – these look very effective made from tissue paper. One of the easiest ways to make flowers is to use a die-cutter and specific flower dies. This is something you may want to try at a later date but, in the meantime, you can get lots more tips and ideas if you search for paper flower making on YouTube. Have fun with your blooms!

Globetrotter

Q My 18-year-old nephew is planning to go travelling around the world for a year and I would like to make him a good luck card. I love stamping, but can't find anything suitable for a teenager. Can you help?
Martha Winstein, USA

A Steph: Stampendous has a great range of travel-themed stamps and stamp sets. I particularly like the Air Travel set with planes, suitcases and a travel stamp collage, and also the Railway set, which has a great map stamp, a timetable and a train and carriages. I think that these would be perfect for your nephew's card. They'd be complemented by a vintage theme and colour scheme, or if you prefer, you could try using them with bright blocks of primary colours for a more retro look. For a great effect why not try embossing the images in black over the bright colours? The stamp sets are priced at $14.99 (approximately £9.40) each and are available to buy online from **www.stampendous.com**.



The Railway set of stamps has a cool vintage look

The sweet decoration is a great keepsake!



Xmas makes

First Christmas

Q house this year, so I'd like to make him a really special card. Do you have any design ideas?
Jennifer McGrath, Hove

A Dorothy: That first Christmas in a new house is a very special occasion and I thought you might like a keepsake to remind you, so this pretty card incorporates a little decoration that you can hang on the tree year after year! I used the Sizzix Framelits die set, Heart No.2, which is only £11.99 from **www.sizzix.co.uk**, to cut the heart shape from background paper. I cut a smaller heart twice in dark green and then pink and light green felt. Then I cut these into quarters to create the patchwork and added simple embroidery stitches to secure the segments on one green heart. Then I stuffed the heart lightly, sewed the layers together, and added a ribbon loop at the top, followed by felt holly leaves and a few little bells to finish.

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By Hayley Rowe



Sparkle



I absolutely love Annabelle stamps, 118 I knew I had to do something with the free stamp and the beautiful bonus papers. I hope you like what I did! **Elke Parijs,** by email

Frosty



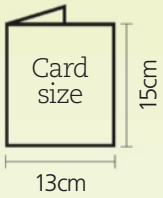
I love these Christmas papers from issue 118 – they go so well with my snowman combined them to make this card! **Rachel Hall,** Luton

Glamorous

I absolutely loved the free papers in issue 116. I printed them off onto cardstock and followed your diamond fold tutorial to make this card! **Nicky Haslam,** Bromley



20 mins



1 Cut a 12x14cm piece of kraft card with scallop-edged scissors and layer with an 11x13.5cm piece of bauble paper. Stick to card base with craft glue.

2 Cut a 13x3cm strip of kraft card and a 13x1cm strip of gingham paper and layer. Stick across centre of card.

3 Cover each corner of the card with pink glitter tape. Cut out the 'Bon Noel' topper and a Christmas cracker and stick to card with 1mm foam pads.

4 Punch four snowflakes and stick to card. Finish off by adding Glossy Accents to the toppers and snowflake embellishments.

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Festive make

20 mins

This quick Christmas card is an easy make for a favourite teacher. By Stephanie Mayne

Quick Cards made easy loves

1 Choose a pretty Christmas paper as your backdrop and mount silver card on top.

2 Use a fineliner pen to add in faux stitching around the edge of the central panel of your card.

3 Make a simple stocking from pieces of card, and finish your design with a personalised greeting.



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Christmas

Tracey Grundy adds some Christmas cheer with these sweet festive houses!



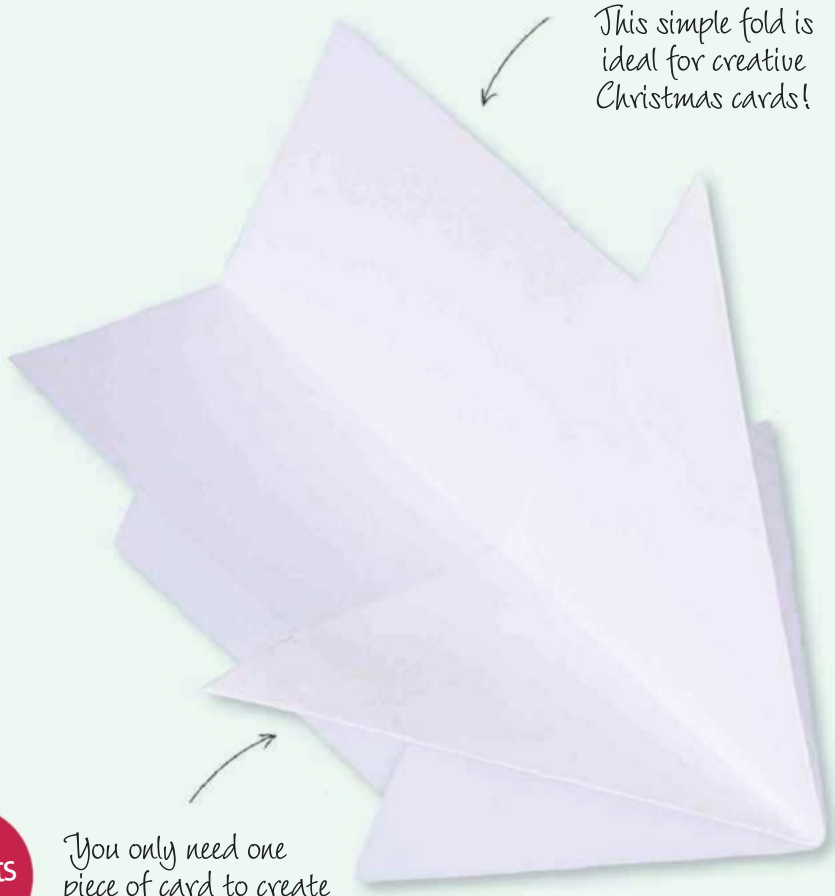


CARD SCHOOL How to make...

3D house cards

THESE 3D HOUSE cards are a simple make for Christmas, but look really impressive once they're decorated. As soon as we saw the pretty new Gingerbread and Santa's List collections from Kaisercraft we knew they'd be perfect for this style of card. Our designer, Tracey Grundy, has used bright card to create the basic template, adding details with panels of pretty paper and pop-up details.

If you really want to go all out for some special Christmas cards, why not decorate all four faces of the house in different papers – that way, it can be rotated on your mantelpiece for a stylish new look every day of the holiday season!



This simple fold is ideal for creative Christmas cards!

You only need one piece of card to create this 3D template.

SHOPPING LIST

- Scoring board
- Metal ruler
- A4 cardstock
- Pencil
- Scissors
- Glue

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Cut a 28x14cm piece of white card. Score lengthways down the centre of the card. Rotate the card to landscape and score at 7cm, 14cm and 21cm.



Look for the scored square shape in the middle of the card. Score diagonally across it in both directions. Cut a 2cm-wide strip from each corner of the area outside the square.



Fold the diagonal folds as mountain folds and tuck in the sides to form the roof shape. Fold the walls in to form a cross shape that will stand up. Glue the roof folds to secure.

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Tree house

SHOPPING LIST

- Kaisercraft Santa's List 12x12 papers
- Kaisercraft Gingerbread 12x12 papers
  From Craftie Charlie
- First Edition premium dyed textured cardstock
  From Cutting Edge Crafts
- Black and white fineliner pens
  From your local craft shop

35 mins

1 Make the basic template from red card and glue into the 3D house shape. Edge with a white fineliner.

2 Cut a small piece of card and stick behind the roof to form a chimney. Stick a second smaller piece behind it, and outline both with a white fineliner.

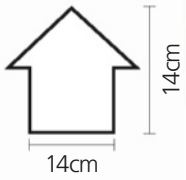
3 Cut a triangle of green patterned paper to fit the roof panel. Edge with fineliner to create a faux stitched effect and stick in place.

4 Cut a 9x6cm piece of holly paper and stick over the front of the card. Cut a tree cut from the papers and stick over the centre of the card base.

Gingerbread

SHOPPING LIST

- Kaisercraft Santa's List 12x12 papers
- Kaisercraft Gingerbread 12x12 papers
  From Craftie Charlie
- First Edition premium dyed textured cardstock
  From Cutting Edge Crafts
- Black and white fineliner pens
- Scalloped edge scissors
  From your local craft shop



30 mins

1 Make the basic template from brown textured card and stick together.

2 Cut two small pieces of brown card to make a chimney, and stick in place with glue. Edge with a white fineliner pen.

3 Cut a 9x7cm piece of text paper to cover the front of the house. Stick in place and edge with fineliner. Cut a triangle of turquoise paper to cover the roof.

4 Cut two 9.5cm strips of gingerbread paper and stick to the roof. Trim to fit. Cut a 10x1cm strip of blue card and cut one edge with the scalloped edge scissors. Stick in place and edge with black fineliner.



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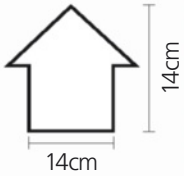
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Santa's house

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- Kaisercraft Gingerbread 12x12 papers
  From Craftie Charlie
- First Edition premium dyed textured cardstock
  From Cutting Edge Crafts
- Black fineliner pen
- Scalloped circle punch
- Scalloped edge scissors
  From your local craft shop



1 Make the basic template using green card. Add a green card chimney behind the roof.

2 Cut a 9x6cm piece of red paper and stick to the front of the house. Cover the roof with a triangle cut from spotty paper.

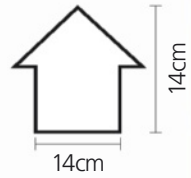
3 Cut strips of blue card, using the scalloped edge scissors along one edge. Stick on the edges of the roof and the top of the chimney, then outline with fineliner pen.

4 Use a scalloped circle punch to punch out a Santa image from the papers. Fold in half and stick the edges either side of the front card fold so it pops up. Finish with a punched heart.

Happy house

SHOPPING LIST

- Kaisercraft Santa's List 12x12 papers
- Kaisercraft Gingerbread 12x12 papers
  From Craftie Charlie
- First Edition premium dyed textured cardstock
  From Cutting Edge Crafts
- Black and white fineliner pens
- Scalloped edge scissors
- Pricking tool
  From your local craft shop



1 Make the basic template from green card. Make a chimney from green card and edge with fineliner. Stick in place.

2 Cover the roof with a triangle of holly paper. Cut two strips of green card, cut one edge with the scalloped edge scissors, and stick in place on the roof. Edge with fineliner.

3 Cut a 9x6.5cm piece of script paper and stick to the front of the house. Edge with fineliner, and add white fineliner outside it.

4 Cut a 10x2cm strip of white card. Cut along the top in a jagged line, either using edging scissors or cutting freehand. Prick around the edges and stick in place.

30 mins

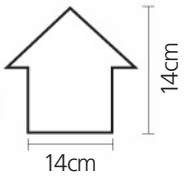




Gift house

SHOPPING LIST

- Kaisercraft Santa's List 12x12 papers
- Kaisercraft Gingerbread 12x12 papers
  From Craftie Charlie
- First Edition premium dyed textured cardstock
  From Cutting Edge Crafts
- Black and white fineliner pens
  From your local craft shop



1 Make the basic template from blue card, then edge with fineliner. Make a chimney from blue card and stick behind the roof, topping with a small piece of white card to create a snowy effect.

2 Cover the front of the card with a 9x6cm piece of green paper. Edge with fineliner. Cover the roof with a triangle of red paper, again edging with fineliner.

3 Cut the Best Gifts topper from the papers and fold in half. Add glue to the ends of the banner across the middle, and stick either side of the front fold of the base card to create a pop-up effect when the card is standing upright.

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Favourites for... Christmas

Fill your stocking to the brim this Christmas with



By Hayley Rowe



FESTIVE MAGIC

The new Magical collection from Studio Calico is so much fun! Bold and bright, it features snowflakes, sweets and all things festive. Buy the collection pack for for £16.99 from **www.sarahscardsltd.com**; papers and embellishments start from 89p.

Bargain of the month

Vintage details

These gorgeous decoupage-style toppers have a great vintage feel to them. Featuring traditional festive designs, they're ideal for your last-minute cards! Each pack contains 8 toppers for a pocket-friendly £2. **www.hobbycraft.co.uk**.





Treat yourself!

The gorgeous 'O Tannenbaum' doily Christmas tree die from Cheery Lynn is a unique buy. We love the intricate detailing and the way that it can be broken apart to make smaller trees – so useful! Available for £9.99 from **www.maddylisacrafts.co.uk**.



CUTTING EDGE

Tim Holtz fans won't be able to resist these Vintage Market dies from Sizzix! They're a great way to add an on-trend, grungy edge to your Christmas crafting. Pick them up at **www.theglitterpot.co.uk** for £12.59 each.

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New products

TREE TIME

We love House Mouse, and how sweet are these festive designs? Decorating their miniature tree together, we're sure these cute little mice are having lots of fun! Trim the Tree is a brand new cling rubber stamp from Stampendous for Christmas 2013, and is available to buy for £7.50 (RRP) from **www.woodware.co.uk**.





Shimmering style

For a touch of luxury this Christmas, treat yourself to these gorgeous Winter Frost foil-accented designer papers from Stampin' Up! At £11.50 for 12 sheets, they're ideal for winter birthday cards and sophisticated Christmas makes. To find a Stampin' Up! demonstrator in your area visit **www.stampinup.co.uk.**

Free download of the month

Print and make!

These fab paper wreath garlands are free to download from **http://thepapercraftpost.blogspot.co.uk** along with a huge range of other crafty goodies and tutorials. They're so easy to put together and are ideal for decorating your tree or house this Christmas.

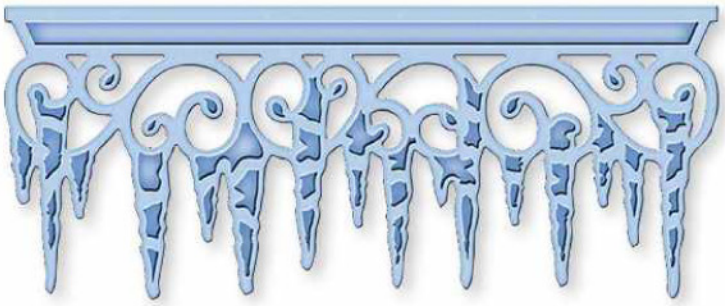




Quick Cards made easy loves

FEATHERED FRIEND

We adore this plump little robin stamp from Penny Black. Wood mounted, and three inches in size, Winter Perch (£7 RRP) is a stamp that you're bound to use year after year. Add a splash of red to his breast and he's good to go! To see the full Penny Black range of stamps and for your nearest stockist visit **http://shop.pennyblackinc.com**



BRRR-ILLIANT

If you'd like to add a bit of extra chill factor to your Christmas cards this year, this intricate icicle-shaped Shapeabilities® D-Lites™ die from Spellbinders should do the trick! Cut, emboss, add glitter, and hey presto – eye-catching icicles! Available to buy for £10.99 at **www.countryviewcrafts.co.uk.**

Be merry!

The whimsical Merry Little Christmas collection from Fancy Pants is sure to give your cards an extra special festive feel. The papers have a sweet vintage appeal to them, featuring chevrons, stripes, holly, and polka dots, while the embellishments and stickers from the range are full of gorgeous typography and quirky motifs. The range is available to buy from 79p at **www.sarahscardsltd.com**.



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Cute cards for the kids!

Designer Katina Killey made these super-cute Christmas cards for children using the colourful new Elf Magic collection by Bo Bunny

Making Christmas cards for children, grandchildren and other little relatives is one of our favourite festive crafting jobs! When we saw the adorable Elf Magic collection from Bo Bunny, we knew they'd be perfect for getting creative with.

Designer Katina Killey used the range to make these five Christmas cards, each featuring a sweet festive scene. Why not use the collection to help children make letters to Father Christmas too – they'll look great left out with a plate of mince pies and a glass of sherry!

SHOPPING LIST

- Bo Bunny Elf Magic 12x12" papers
- Bo Bunny Elf Magic 12x12" chipboard
- Bo Bunny Elf Magic dimensional stickers
- Bo Bunny Elf Magic Noteworthy die cuts
- Bo Bunny Elf Magic jewels
  From Charmed Cards & Crafts
- Xcut square dies
- Crystal Clear Glamour Dust
  From The Glitter Pot
- Smooth white card
  From your local craft shop

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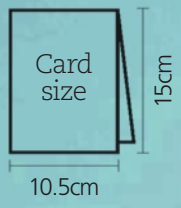
Get creative with these Christmas characters from Bo Bunny!



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Holiday

20 mins



1 Cut a 30x10.5cm piece of white card to make a tent fold base.

2 Trim a 12x10cm panel of dotty paper and stick to top half of card, leaving a narrow border. Stick a 12x6cm panel of chevron paper to right side of the card.

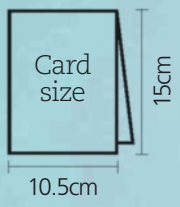
3 Cut out the holly border and stick along bottom edge of paper panel. Stick girl chipboard image to chevron panel as shown.

4 Cut out 'Happy Holidays' sentiment, mount onto white card and trim to leave a narrow border. Stick to left of image. Stick three pearls to the holly die cut and stick to your sentiment panel.

5 Use foam pads to attach a dotty pennant to the top left corner. Add some glitter to the girl's hat and tights and the star to finish.

Be nice!

20 mins



1 Cut a 30x10.5cm piece of white card to make a tent fold base.

2 Trim a 10.5x10cm panel of text paper and stick to top half of base card, leaving a narrow border at the top. Stick a 0.5cm-wide strip of red dotty paper to the top edge.

3 Stick a 1cm-wide strip of striped paper to a 3cm-wide strip of red dotty paper. Stick to bottom half of base card, overlapping text paper.

4 Stick Naughty or Nice die cut sticker to the left side of the text panel so it overlaps the dotty panel.

5 Use a foam pad to attach a star to the stripy pennant and stick to top right corner of text panel. Add a gem to the centre. To finish, stick a present die cut sticker on the right side of the striped panel.

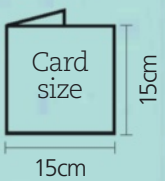


New technique



Ho ho ho!





1 Cut a piece of white card measuring 30x15cm. Score down the middle and fold in half to make your base card.

2 Stick a 14x14cm panel of green plaid paper to the centre of your base card.

3 Stick a 12.5x12.5cm panel of the squares paper to red dotty paper, trimming to leave a narrow border. Stick to the centre of the green plaid panel.

4 Cut out the toy shop image, the small Santa and the little reindeer from the 12x12" paper sheets. Stick the toy shop to the left side of the squares panel and use foam pads to attach the Santa and reindeer on top of it.

5 Attach the Ho, Ho, ho die cuts to the right side of the squares panel using foam pads, arranging so they fill the space around the toy shop. Add two pieces of chipboard holly to the top right and bottom left corners of the card. Decorate the house, Santa and holly with glitter to complete the design.

Quick tip

Using white glitter glue or some Glamour Dust is a great way to emphasise the snowy details on die cuts and Christmas papers.





Dear Santa



Cover a 15x15cm base card with a piece of the Dear Santa paper, leaving a narrow border around the edges.



Take the tree die cut and resize it to fit your base card by cutting it into three parts (keeping the star attached to the top piece).



Once cut out, layer the three pieces on top of each other so the tree has more texture, and measures 14cm tall (including the star).

New technique

Quick Cards some Skill needed

Cute die cuts mean these cards are quick to put together!





Attach the elf die cut to the right edge of the tree as if he's peeking out from behind it. Stick to the Dear Santa panel as shown.



Stick another elf die cut to the front left of the Dear Santa panel, positioning it so it overlaps the Christmas tree.



Complete your card by carefully sticking red adhesive gems to the Christmas tree and the buttons and shoes of the elves.

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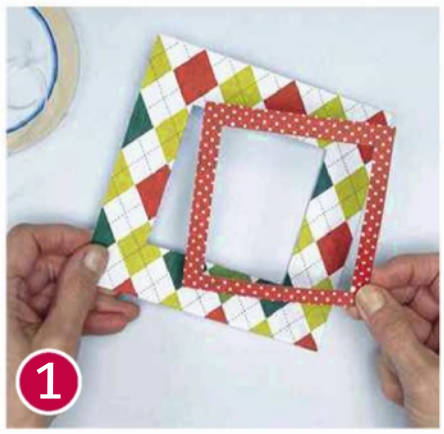
New technique

Quick Cards for the Keen crafter

35 mins

Card size 15cm 15cm

Little helper



Trim a 14x14cm panel of argyle paper. Die cut an 8cm square from the centre and top with a 10cm frame die cut from dotty paper.



Stick the frame panel to the centre of a 15x15cm base card made from white card, leaving a narrow border around the edge.



Take the elf die cut and stick to the left of the frame, positioning so his hands are sticking out over the edge of the frame.



Cut the baubles die cut in half. Stick half of it to the top left corner of your card, then attach the other half with foam pads.



Stick the Santa's Little Helper die-cut rosette in the top right corner of your card and neatly edge with glitter.



Stick the chipboard presents in the bottom left corner. Add more glitter to the elf's hat, and finish with adhesive gems.

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Budget ideas

8 Quick makes

wrapping paper



Designer Katina Killey made use of her stash and some wrapping paper to make these quick and easy Christmas cards

SHOPPING LIST

- ☑ Christmas wrapping paper
  From your local supermarket
- ☑ Christmas sentiment tag stamps
  From Lili of the Valley
- ☑ Spellbinders Nestabilities circle dies
  From The Glitter Pot
- ☑ Paula Pascual clear stamps – Large Christmas
  From Craftie Charlie
- ☑ White card
- ☑ Small star punch
- ☑ 2" circle punch
- ☑ Various ribbons
- ☑ Adhesive gems
- ☑ Sequins
- ☑ Buttons
- ☑ Number stencils
  From your local craft shop

1

This simple design will only



Christmas tree

Cut out a simple Christmas tree and stick to your card base. Decorate it with some pretty gems before adding a cut-out festive sentiment for a cute card in a hurry.

2



Reindeer rock

Choose a paper design with a repeating motif and stick across the top of a card blank. Add a stamped disk and a border to finish.

3

Santa's coming

Wrapping paper is a great place to find cute Christmas characters - we love this



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4

Save the date

Use oversized number stencils to cut out that very important date! Mount onto white card then stick to your card with a small printed sentiment.



5

Tree-mendous!

Cut strips of different wrapping papers, and stack on top of one another at different angles to create this cool tree. Finish with a printed sentiment and some red sequins as baubles.





6

Cute Christmas

Create your own découpage by cutting out paper motifs and sticking them on top of squares featuring the same design.

Use foam pads to add height to your DIY découpage!

7

Let it snow

Use a panel of paper as your backdrop, then cut out one detail to mount onto a circle for festive style.



8

Deck the halls

Punch out circles of your favourite wrapping paper and arrange on a circle of card so they overlap one another. Finish with a bow and a stamped tag for a festive wreath.

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Precious metals

Add a touch of glamour to your Christmas cards with metallic details. By Katina Killey



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Three ships



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- We Three Ships stamp set
  From Little Claire
- Back to Basics 6x6" Traditional Christmas paper pack
  From Dovecraft
- Spellbinders Nestabilities circle dies
- Memory Box Precious Stars die
- Gold mirri card
  From The Glitter Pot
- Glitter glue
  From your local craft shop

30 mins

Card size 15cm x 15cm

1 Make a 15x15cm base card. Top with a 13.5x13.5cm piece of mirri card. Take a 13x13cm piece of spotty paper. Cut a 8.5cm circle in the centre and top with a die-cut gold frame.

2 Stamp your image and sentiment onto white card. Colour in and add glitter glue. Cut the sentiment into a circle and mount on gold card.

3 Stick your image behind the aperture and stick to the card with foam pads. Stick your sentiment in place and finish with star die cuts.

Wise owls

SHOPPING LIST

- Stocking owls stamp
  From Little Claire
- Back to Basics 6x6" Traditional Christmas paper pack
  From Dovecraft
- Spellbinders Nestabilities square dies
- Marianne Designs Swedish Ice Star snowflake die
- Gold mirri card
- Glitter glue
  From The Glitter Pot

35 mins

Card size 15cm x 15cm



1 Make a 15x15cm base card. Stick a 13x13cm panel of spotty paper to gold card, leaving a narrow border. Stick a 5.5cm wide panel of snowflake paper across the bottom half. Stick panel to base card.

2 Stamp image onto white card and trim panel to 10.5x10.5cm. Colour image and add glitter details. Stick panel to gold card, leaving a narrow border.

3 Die cut an 8cm gold frame and stick in place with foam pads. Finish with die cut snowflakes cut from gold and white card.

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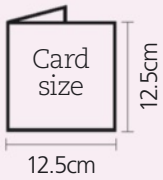
Wonderful time



SHOPPING LIST

- Stocking owls stamp set
- Christmas sentiments set
  From Little Claire
- Back to Basics 6x6" Traditional Christmas paper pack
  From Dovecraft
- Spellbinders Nestabilities lacy circle and circle dies
- Gold mirri card
- Glitter glue
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  From your local craft shop





1 Make a 15x15cm base card. Stick a 13x13cm panel of snowflake paper to gold card, leaving a narrow border, and stick to the centre of the base card.

2 Stick an 11x11cm panel of snowflake paper to gold card, leaving a narrow border. Wrap ribbon around centre and stick to centre of larger snowflake panel.

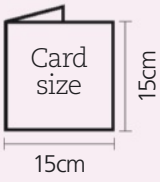
3 Stamp image and sentiment onto white card and cut into a 9.5cm circle. Colour and add glitter. Stick both to lacy circles die cut from gold card and add to card base. Finish with a bow.

Festive robin

SHOPPING LIST

- Robin and snowdrop stamp
- Christmas sentiments set
  From Little Claire
- Back to Basics 6x6" Traditional Christmas paper pack
  From Dovecraft
- Spellbinders Nestabilities square and scalloped square dies
- Gold mirri card
- Ribbon
- Glitter glue
  From your local craft shop







1 Make a 15x15cm base card. Stick a 13x13cm panel of green patterned paper to gold card, leaving a narrow border. Layer two lengths of gold ribbon and wrap around centre. Stick panel to centre of base card.

2 Stamp image onto white card and trim to 8.5x8.5cm. Colour and highlight with glitter. Stick to gold card and trim to leave a narrow border. Stick to a scalloped gold square and attach to base card.

3 Stamp your sentiment onto white card and cut into a circle. Mount onto gold card, leaving a narrow border, and stick in place. Finish your card with a bow.

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Welcome to the *Quick Cards* Craft Room – we want *you* to get involved!

SHARE YOUR Aperture cards

Your clever aperture designs have impressed us this month!



We love seeing your takes on this month's sketch



▶ **Sarah Couzens** added strips of brightly-coloured washi tape to her aperture card to give it this fun patchwork feel!



Susan Walker's shadow box



▶ **Elke Parijs** has made a gorgeous festive wreath card using our sketch design as combination of papers!



◀ **Helen Greco's** birthday card has a fabulous vintage twist. She's distressed the edges of her paper and added a touch of glitter to make it stand out.



▶ **Nikki Weston** has used this sweet reindeer stamp inside her aperture card for a fun quick-make Christmas idea.

▶ **Linda Plows** has made a super vibrant pink and turquoise congratulations card using our sketch for inspiration.



Next month: We want to see your best **ribbon** cards – email them to us at **quickclubs@immediate.co.uk** and you could be featured in the next issue. We also want to see how you interpret our **sketch ideas**! Find a sketch for the January issue on our Facebook page and send your best cards to **quickclubs@immediate.co.uk**.

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Julie Coe

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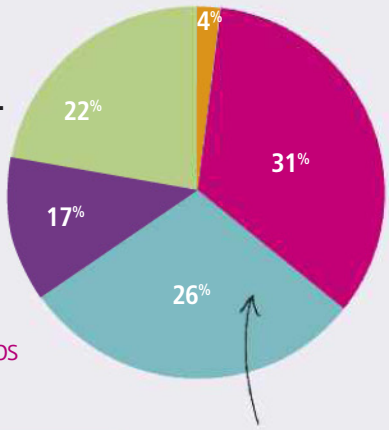
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My favourite Christmas craft products to buy are...

4% Glitter
17% Festive dies
22% Embellishments
26% Festive paper and card
31% Christmas stamps



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Every month, we'll feature one of your fantastic cards!



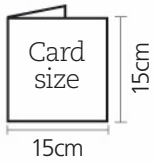
Sandra Jordan made this pretty card for her sister-in-law who has recently been poorly



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- ☑ Garden Paradise paper, toppers and borders (exclusive Club Hunkydory Platinum gift)
  From Hunkydory Crafts
- ☑ Paper flowers
  From Wild Orchid Crafts
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- ☑ Butterfly embellishment
- ☑ 6x6 card blank
  From your local craft shop





1. Take a 30x15cm piece of card, score and fold to make your card base.
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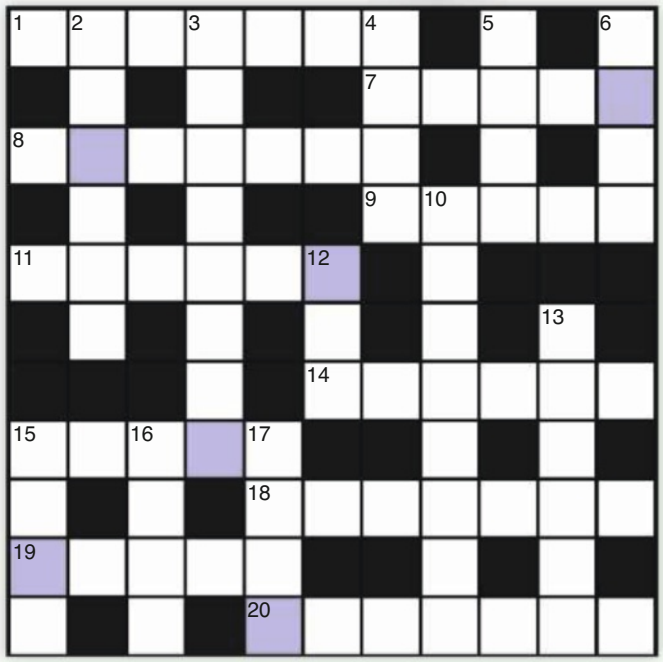
Solve the clues then use the shaded squares to spell the name of a warm fabric (6)

ACROSS

1 Dark syrup (7)
7 Part of a song (5)
8 Coal pail (7)
9 Correct (5)
12 Thick vegetable soup (6)
14 Person who makes garments (6)
15 Smooth and shiny (5)
18 Batting turn of a cricket team (7)
19 Flat surface of a gemstone (5)
20 Officer in a royal household (7)

DOWN

2 Type of firework (6)
3 Viewpoint, outlook (8)
4 Always (4)
5 Steep rugged rock (4)
6 Warm undershirt (4)
10 Boundless in time and space (8)
12 Allow (3)
13 Large mountain lion (6)
15 Protected from harm (4)
16 Cut a design into metal or glass (4)
17 Light frame tied to string that blows in the wind (4)



Sudoku for fun!

puzzle! Complete the grid so that each row, column and 3x3 box contains the numbers one to nine.

7	3				9	4		
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	2			6			8	
	9			5		6		
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8		2				9	1	
	6		1	7			4	2
4					3			
		5				1		7

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ISSUE 119 ANSWERS

ACROSS: 1 Satchel, 7 Error, 8 Affable, 9 Kapok, 12 Pepper, 14 Demure, 15 Hound,18 Amateur, 19 Cream, 20 Proceed.
DOWN: 2 Alfresco, 3 Champion, 4 Leek, 5 Crop, 6 Trek, 10 Aromatic, 11 Overrule, 13 Rod, 15 Hack, 16 Used, 17 Damp.
ANSWER: CARAMEL

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Best local craft store in your area

North West
- ❑ Inspirations by Cardcraft Plus Ltd
- ❑ Miss Fancypants Crafts
- ❑ The Stamper's Gallery
- ❑ The Stamp Pad
- ❑ Other .....

North East
- ❑ Crafty Corner
- ❑ Crafty Nook
- ❑ Craftzone
- ❑ Pink Pig Crafts
- ❑ Other .....

South West
- ❑ Crafty Devils Papercraft
- ❑ Japonica
- ❑ Monkton Elm Garden Centre
- ❑ My Mum's Craft Shop
- ❑ Once Upon a Time
- ❑ The Craft Room
- ❑ Other .....

South East
- ❑ Bellacrafts
- ❑ Blade Rubber Stamps
- ❑ The Craft Barn
- ❑ Craftspot
- ❑ The Glitter Pot
- ❑ Nancyz Crafts
- ❑ Oyster Stamps
- ❑ Other .....

East Anglia
- ❑ Aldridge Crafts
- ❑ Denny's Bros Supplies Ltd.
- ❑ Sir Stampalot
- ❑ Stamp Addicts
- ❑ Other .....

Midlands
- ❑ Blyth Craft Studio
- ❑ Honeypot Crafts
- ❑ Mountain Ash Crafts
- ❑ MSA Crafts
- ❑ Penny Holme Crafts
- ❑ Other .....

Scotland
- ❑ Funky Kits
- ❑ Stamper's Grove
- ❑ The Papeterie
- ❑ Other .....

Wales
- ❑ Bizzyfingers
- ❑ Dandie Crafts
- ❑ Purple Butterfly Crafts
- ❑ Other .....

Craft retailer who went the extra mile in your area

- ❑ Name and town .....

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Tell us why .....

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- ❑ Skip this question

Best craft chain store

- ❑ Colemans Craft Warehouse
- ❑ Hobbycraft
- ❑ The Range
- ❑ Samuel Taylors

Tell us why .....

- ❑ I don't visit craft chain stores

Best Online Retailer

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- ❑ I don't buy craft supplies online

Most inspirational craft blog

- ❑ bevscrafts.blogspot.co.uk by Bev Rochester
- ❑ docraftsblog.blogspot.co.uk
- ❑ craftingwithhunkdory.tumblr.com by Anne-Marie Catterall
- ❑ pinkpiggywiggy.blogspot.co.uk by Dawn Phillips
- ❑ ideastoinspire.blogspot.co.uk by Lili of the Valley
- ❑ sizzixukblog.blogspot.co.uk

Tell us why .....

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- ❑ I don't visit craft blogs

Favourite papercraft range

- ❑ Basic Grey
- ❑ Die Cuts With a View
- ❑ Dovecraft by Trimcraft
- ❑ Fancy Pants Designs
- ❑ Hunkydory Crafts
- ❑ Papermania by docrafts
- ❑ Pink Paislee
- ❑ Other .....

Stamp range you couldn't resist

- ❑ Crafter's Companion
- ❑ Hero Arts stamps
- ❑ Lili of the Valley
- ❑ Penny Black stamps
- ❑ Sam Poole Designs for Creative Expressions
- ❑ Wild Rose Studio
- ❑ Woodware stamps
- ❑ Other .....

Die-cutting range to die for

- ❑ Cuttlebug
- ❑ Die-namics
- ❑ Marianne Design
- ❑ Sizzix
- ❑ Spellbinders
- ❑ Tattered Lace dies by Crafting
- ❑ Other .....
- ❑ I don't have a die-cutting machine

Craft gadget you couldn't live without

- ❑ eBosser by Craftwell
- ❑ Cricut Mini
- ❑ Fiskars Fuse Creativity System
- ❑ Silhouette CAMEO
- ❑ Sizzix BigShot
- ❑ Spellbinders Grand Calibur
- ❑ Other .....

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Ultimate craft punch range

- ❑ EKSuccess
- ❑ Fiskars
- ❑ Martha Stewart
- ❑ Tonic Studios
- ❑ Woodware
- ❑ Other .....

Favourite craft CD-Rom range

- ❑ Crafter's Companion
- ❑ Debbi Moore Designs
- ❑ Joanna Sheen
- ❑ My Craft Studio Elite
- ❑ Serif
- ❑ Other .....
- ❑ I don't use craft CD-Roms

Best UK craft and stitch show

- ❑ Hobbycrafts at the NEC (ICHF)

–Alexandra Palace
- ❑ The Great British Craft Festival (Hunkydory Crafts)
- ❑ Other .....
- ❑ I don't visit craft or stitch shows

Favourite Card Designer

- ❑ Simonne Clay
- ❑ Ruth Hamilton
- ❑ Dawn Phillips
- ❑ Leonie Pujol
- ❑ Joanna Sheen
- ❑ Katie Skilton
- ❑ Other .....

Tell us why .....

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Favourite craft TV presenter/demonstrator

- ❑ Anne-Marie Catterall
- ❑ Dawn Bibby
- ❑ Leonie Pujol
- ❑ Nigel May
- ❑ Joanna Sheen
- ❑ Stephanie Weightman
- ❑ Tell us why
- ❑ Other .....
- ❑ I don't watch craft TV



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The Crafty Queen



Stephanie Weightman is a renowned card maker and television craft personality

Craft celebrity Stephanie Weightman shares her top tips for Christmas cards

Hi everyone, I can't believe how fast the months have flown by this year – we're already well into Christmas preparations! I'm looking forward to a quiet Christmas this year; I think it's going to be Karl and I with the dogs having a lovely quiet day to ourselves. We've had large family Christmas lunches for the last couple of years so this year we're spoiling ourselves and enjoying the peace and quiet!

It will be time to dust off the decorations before we know it but before we even think about that we crafters have a job to do. It involves glitter, glue and beautiful things so I know we're all going to love it! We need to make our cards, gifts, gift bags and boxes and any number of other things too, and when you add up how many we need to make we really need to start crafting as early as possible.

I'm sure some of you reading this feel very calm in the knowledge that you have already made your cards or knitted your gifts but there will also be a lot of you thinking, 'Nah, I don't need to start yet'. Well take it from someone who has ended up finishing her cards on Christmas Eve in the past – oh yes you do!

This year I will be joining many other crafters in using die cutting on my Christmas cards. I'm loving the look of white on white with a bit of glitter but think icy blue looks very sophisticated too. Let me know on Twitter what theme you're using for your cards this year – find me @stephaniecraft.

Stephanie x



Don't stop at cards this year – create handmade gift boxes too!



This card was made by Nancy Watt using festive Tattered Lace dies

STEPH'S TOP TIPS FOR... Festive makes

1 If you are making a lot of cards it's quicker to do it one job at a time. I do my die cutting in one batch, then cut my matting and layering.

2 When you are making elements for your cards, make half a dozen extra but don't put them together. That way you are ready if you need to make a last-minute card!

3 Save unusual shaped gift boxes and take them apart to use as templates for your Christmas gift box makes.

4 Try faux matting and layering by running metallic pens on the edges of your card to save weight, depth and money on your postage.

5 Kits are a lovely gift for Christmas. For example, a kit to knit a handbag or create your own jewellery is a great way to share the crafty love!

My upcoming TV shows

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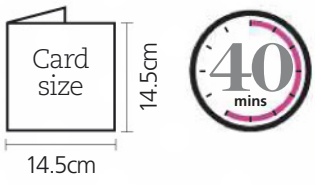
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Let it snow!

"Using icy whites and blues gives a sophisticated festive look."



Snowy scene



SHOPPING LIST

- Tattered Lace Christmas Florals, Winter Florals and Christmas Sentiments dies
- Snowy embossing folder
- Blue spotted paper
- Centura A4 pearl card
- Label die
- Quickie glue pen
- Ribbon and pearls
- Crystal glitter

From Crafting.co.uk

1 Make a 14.5x14.5cm card base from blue pearl card. Cut a 13x13cm piece of dotty paper and mount onto white pearl card. Wrap ribbon around the top right and bottom left corners and stick to the base.

2 Cut a 9x9cm piece of white pearl card and emboss using the snowflake folder. Matt onto blue and then white card, leaving borders each time. Stick to your card base.

3 Cut a small label shape from white card and then a slightly larger one from blue card. Stick to the card front. Embellish with a sentiment from the Christmas Sentiments dies.

4 Stick a bow in the bottom left corner of your card. Die cut three large and three medium poinsettias, one mistletoe, two holly sprigs, two fern branches and two stamen centres. Add crystal glitter highlights. Create two floral embellishments by layering the flowers together – one large and one medium. Attach to the card front and finish with pearls.

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A foam tool that allows you to add ink to your projects without any mess! Especially useful for distress-look cards.

ENAMEL DOTS
These shiny or pearlescent self-adhesive plastic dots are perfect for adding a finishing touch to your cards.

GLAMOUR DUST
Adds a delicate sparkle to your projects. Apply with clear-drying adhesive.

MIRRI CARD
This glossy metallic-look card is perfect for making card bases and also for matting and layering

PENNANT
A narrow, swallow-tailed flag or banner. This shape is often used as a feature in cardmaking, particularly on toppers.

PRICKING TOOL
Use one of these, along with a pricking mat, to make holes in your cards for stitching – or simply draw along the holes with a fineliner pen for a faux-stitched effect!

SHIM
A thin piece of card or metal used as a wedge in your die cutting machine to help hold your die firmly in place.

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Lili of the Valley

All the latest news from the Lili of the Valley team

We're now in full festive swing here at LOTV as I expect you are too with all your Christmas crafting! As well as our Christmas stamps and coloured art pads, we've just brought out some lovely winter paper pads. They're great for Christmas cards, but perfect for winter birthdays too.

I particularly love our new Nitwits 'Woodland Wishes' pad with a gorgeous burgundy and moss green palette. It's a great alternative to the traditional reds and green.

If you're in need of some inspiration for last-minute Christmas card and gift ideas, don't forget to look at our boards on Pinterest, where you can see over 2,500 projects to help inspire your crafting.

While Laila and I are working on ideas for next year (it'll be our 10th birthday!), Anne, Erica and Lucy have all been busy in our shop, online and on Facebook with crafty ideas.

Our last event of the year is the LOTV Christmas Party on 30th November, where we will be launching new products for spring, as well as having lots of festive fun and fabulous Christmas crafting demonstrations. If you happen to be free, do come along – we'd love to see you there!

Lisa x

Lisa is Director of Lili of the Valley



Lisa loves the colours in this Woodland Wishes paper pad



There's lots of new stock hitting the shelves in the store!



Designed by Anne Richardson

Silent night

Card size 15cm × 15cm

60 mins

SHOPPING LIST

- ☑ Festive Decorations stamp
- ☑ Candles and Cake papers
- ☑ Christmas Handwritten Phrases stamp set
  From Lili of the Valley
- ☑ Stampendous Aged Gold frantage powder
  From My Mum's Craft Shop
- ☑ 15x15cm white card blank
- ☑ Heat embossing tool
- ☑ Glossy Accents
- ☑ White card
- ☑ Black ink pad
  From your local craft shop

1 Cut a 14.5x14.5cm square of patterned paper, matt with a slightly larger square of contrasting paper and stick to the blank card.

2 Cut the rubber stamp into the three separate decorations. On a piece of card measuring 12x12.5cm, stamp all three next to each other in their original positions, and then stamp just the double decoration again at the side. Colour the image.

3 Sprinkle frantage powder around the edges of the stamped panel and heat from underneath until it melts. Matt this panel onto a square of coloured paper. Then mount onto a 13.5x14cm piece of patterned paper, leaving a 1cm border at the top.

4 Stamp the sentiment onto white card and cut it out, mount onto a piece of the coloured patterned paper and then again on another, each just slightly bigger than the last. Stick onto the front of the card using foam pads. To finish your card, add Glossy Accents on the coloured Christmas decorations and leave to dry.

Quick Cards

My fave Christmas stamp



little carol singer, accompanied by his dog as he spreads festive cheer around! **A Christmas Carol stamp, £4.75**

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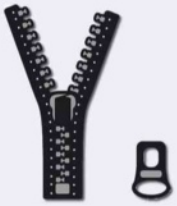




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