

Simple & Stunning: Easy Holiday Card Using Stencils and Die Cuts

Materials

- 1 - A2 Neenah Solar White 100lb cardstock (4 1/4 x 5 1/2 inches)
- Washi Tape
- Color Layering Holiday Neighborhood Stencils (Hero Arts)
- Candied Apple, Mermaid Lagoon, Salty Ocean, Pine Needles, Lucky Clover, Fired Brick, Mowed Lawn, Rustic Wilderness, Faded Jeans, Vintage Photo and Black Soot Distress Inks
- Mini Blending Brush (Altenew)
- Micro Blending Brush Set - Flat Bristles (Altenew)
- Silver and Gold Pentel Hybrid Dual Metallic Gel Pens
- Christmas Words Fancy Dies (Hero Arts)
- Glitter Paper Holiday Sparkle (Hero Arts)
- Art Glitter Glue
- 1 - A2 card base - 8 x 5 1/2 inches folded in half

Tools

- Platinum Die Cutting Machine (Spellbinders)
- Tim Holtz Trimmer (Tonic Studios)
- Eighths Measuring and Scoring Board (Scor-Pal)
- Non-Stick Ergo Bone Folder (Dress My Craft)



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Directions

1) Use washi tape to stick an A2 white cardstock on your work surface.

2) Place the Color Layering Holiday Neighborhood Stencils on the card panel and ink the panel using the below Distress Inks:

Stencil 1

Houses and Trees - Lucky Clover, Pine Needles

Mailbox - Candied Apple

Clouds and Smoke - Mermaid Lagoon, Salty Ocean

Stencil 2

All the images - Fired Brick, Candied Apple

Stencil 3

Houses and Trees - Mowed Lawn, Rustic Wilderness, Black Soot

Mailbox and Stones - Vintage Photo

Snow - Mermaid Lagoon, Faded Jeans

Note: I used the Mini Blending Brush Set by Altenew to ink the larger areas and for the detailed areas I used the Micro Blending Brush Set.

- 3) Place the sentiment from the [Christmas Words Fancy Dies](#) on [Gold Glitter cardstock](#) and run it through the [Platinum Die Cutting Machine](#).
- 4) Use the Silver Gel Pen to go over the snow and the Gold Gel Pen to go over the star and dots.
- 5) Stick the sentiment on the card front using [art glitter glue](#).
- 6) To create the card base, trim a sheet of [Neenah Solar White 100lb cardstock](#) in half using the [Tim Holtz Trimmer](#).
- 7) Use a [scoring board](#) to score the [8 x 5 1/2 inches cardstock](#).
- 8) Then fold it evenly with a [bone folder](#) for a smooth result
- 9) Stick the card front on the [card base](#) using [art glitter glue](#).

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