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Let's Make Beautiful Things Together

Just some info: ADHERE means to stick your card elements together using a tape runner, a double sided tape, a liquid craft glue or any combination of those. If I specify a type of adhesive, that's because the situation will work BEST using the recommended adhesive. But you can always just use what you have!

Where to Start?



First confirm you have all card elements and pre-plan your card layout. Just to get an idea of how you want it to look.

Contents:

- 1 White card base
- 2 White panels
- 1 Oval cutout panel
- 2 Sets of color stripes
- 1 Nutcracker goodie bag set
- 1 Accent goodie bag set
- 1 White banner
- 1 White oval die cut
- 1 Foam set (4 triangles, 2 strips)
- Foam squares (3 large, 2 small)
- 1 Coordinating envelope*
- 1 Mailing Liner**



Let's Begin!

We'll construct the card front first.

You'll need all elements except the white oval.

1. Let's decorate the striped panels first. They will be created the same. One will be used for the card front and one will be used for the inside of the card. Angle the first color stripe across the panel from slightly lower left to slightly higher right, and adhere in place. Next, add a light line of glue just below it and place the next color stripe in place below it. Be sure to connect the edges so that none of the white shows from beneath it. Continue until all 5 stripes have been added. Repeat this for the second white panel.
2. Next, let's construct the Nutcracker. All of the pieces are in the Nutcracker goodie bag. And some of those pieces are Tiny! So please be careful when you are emptying it out. I recommend putting the pieces in a small triangle tray or dish to keep them from getting lost. If anything does happen to one of your pieces, just let me know and I'm happy to send you a new one. When adhering the smaller pieces, I recommend adding a small dot of liquid glue to the main piece and adding the small element onto the glue.
3. The Nutcracker is fully constructed on the black backer piece. First, adhere his jacket in place. It will align at the shoulders. Next, add the coral colored epaulets and belt. See the example pictures for help. Lastly, add the tan "hands" in place. The epaulets, belt and hands are an example of when I recommend adding a small dot of glue onto the jacket/Nutcracker and then using a tweezer or jewel picker tool to place the accent where it goes.
4. Next, adhere his face to the head. It should line up along the jawline and it might lay over the top of the jacket a little. There is a small tan nose to be added just above the mustache. See example pictures for reference.
5. Now, add the light green hat stripe to the hat and finish it off with the coral feather. Adhere the hat to the Nutcracker.
6. Lastly, add the boots to the legs. Finish the boots with the added toe piece.
7. It's time to put this card together. Adhere one of the striped panels to the front of the card base making sure to leave an even border of white showing along each edge.
8. Next, use the set of foam corners and strips to pop up the oval cutout panel. Add these to the back of the oval cutout and then adhere it to the card front aligning it to the edges of the striped panel. *One side of the foam is adhesive backed, you will need to add adhesive to the remaining side.
9. Now, use the 3 large foam squares to adhere the Nutcracker to the front of the card. Take care that he is standing straight up and down.
10. Use the Accent goodie bag to add a peach branch to the top and bottom corners of the oval cutout. Next, adhere the holly leaves and berries to the branches. I overlapped the leaves at the ends and stacked 3 berries at the tip. See the example pictures for placement ideas.
11. To finish the card front, use a light application of glue to adhere the JOY towards the left edge of the white banner. See example pictures for placement ideas. Then add the coral heart inside the O. Use the small foam squares to adhere the white banner to the card front and trim the excess. See example picture for placement ideas.

That's it! Now let's decorate the inside of the card.

1. Adhere the remaining striped panel to the inside of the card making sure to leave an even border of white showing along each edge.
2. Add the white oval die cut to the striped panel.

You did it!



**Thank you so much for crafting with me!
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instagram to share your finished product and be featured
in my story!**

**All instructions can be found on the Card Kit
Instructions page at sandiscards.com**

***Confirm postage needed when mailing
**mailing liner is used as a barrier over the card front to protect it during
shipping**