

TECHNIQUE:Layering and
embellishing**SKILL LEVEL:**

Easy ●○○

MAKE IT

in an hour

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What's in your bag?



These cards are just so pretty and would be suitable for most occasions from Mother's Day to birthdays and wedding invites to thank you notes. I have chosen to keep the design delicate and pretty however you can easily change the look by using different colour cards and flowers.

I have also used two adhesives in this project. The StudioTac Super Strength tape by Letraset is quite new and a dream for securing ribbon, vellum etc. The other, Diamond Glaze by JudiKins, is superb as it dries clear and is extremely strong. Using it is a safe and reliable way to secure heavier items or those like feathers where there is little to adhere to!

GO**How to fold the handbag card**

Each card is folded along the centrefold so that the right sides are facing outwards. There are two other scored lines, one on each side of the centrefold.

1 Firstly re-fold along the centrefold so that the right sides are touching and the wrong sides are now outward facing.

2 On one side, fold the card back along the scored line so once again the right side is facing outwards.

3 Repeat for the other side. Now the card will stand up on the two downward facing outer folds with the centre fold going upwards.

Mum Card

1 Add the ribbon decoration. Refold the card as stated separately, open out and work on one side. Cut the pink/silver ribbon so it is a little longer than the width of the card base. Apply Letraset adhesive to the ribbon, secure onto the card so it overlaps each edge and press into place. Trim off the excess with scissors. Repeat three more times, alternating the pink with the pink/silver ribbon. Use the same method to secure a length of pink ribbon over the top of the embossed line.

2 Secure flowers. Arrange the flowers in the space between the ribbon and secure each one in place by using a small blob of Diamond Glaze. Hold in place for a few minutes. The Diamond Glaze dries clear and is very strong. It is ideal for securing items that are heavy or that have only have small areas that can be used to secure them to card.

3 Create tag. Punch a tag from the pink pearlised card, then punch a hole near the top. Also punch a hole through the front of the bag at the top left about 1cm in from both edges. Fold the remaining pink/silver ribbon in half and trim the ends to a point. Feed both ends through the hole in the card and then through the hole in the tag. Tie the ribbon into a bow and trim the ends. Secure the alphabet peel-offs onto the tag, close the bag and push the tab in to the slit. Or make the hole through both the back and front of the card so it is tied shut. As the card cannot be opened write your message on the back. If posting your cards, then consider using a box envelope or add protection by placing a little bubble wrap over the flower decoration.

Rose Card

1 Add the feather. Refold the card as stated separately, open out and work on one side. Apply a little of the glue along the centre of the feather and secure it in place with the end in the top left of the card. Hold in place for a few minutes. You could turn this card into a wedding invitation by securing the wedding details inside the bag with a little double-sided tape.

2 Add the flowers. Trim 2cm from the end of the stem of one flower and put to one side. Create the bouquet using both sprays and then secure the two stems together by wrapping the piece of trimmed stem around them. Apply Diamond Glaze to the back of some of the flowers and to the stems. Secure on top of the feather by holding in place for a few minutes.



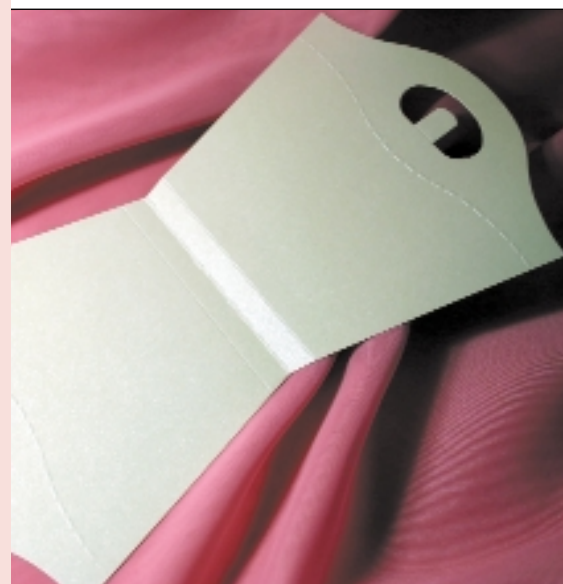
3 Create tag. Punch a tag from the cream pearlised card and then punch a hole near the top. Also punch two holes through the front of the bag at the top right. The holes should be about 3mm apart and 1cm above the embossed border. Trim the ends of the ribbon to a point, feed one end through one hole and then both ends through the tag. Pull the ribbons outward and trim. The tag should be secure but if in doubt secure in place with a small blob of Diamond Glaze. Secure the alphabet peel-offs on to the tag, close the bag and push the tab into the slit.

Get Well Card

1 Add the feather. See the Rose card instructions but this time secure the feather with the end in the bottom right corner.

2 Add the flowers. Create the bouquet by applying a little Diamond Glaze to the centre flower stem and hold in place for a few minutes. Using the same method secure a flower on either side. Apply a little Diamond Glaze to the back of the bow and secure on top of the stems. Trim the stems when dry.

3 Create tag. Punch a tag from the lilac pearlised card and then create and secure as for the Rose card.

**GET READY...****GENERAL MATERIALS**

- ✓ Pack of pale green handbag cards - Craftwork Cards (SH1)
- ✓ Tag craft punch (about 3 x 5cm)
- ✓ Anywhere hole punch
- ✓ Silver Holographic Alphabet peel-off stickers
- ✓ StudioTac Super Strength adhesive tape - Letraset
- ✓ Diamond glaze
- ✓ Pencil, ruler and rubber
- ✓ Scissors
- ✓ Tweezers - Optional

MUM CARD

- ✓ Three pink ribbon roses
- ✓ 70cm of 7mm wide pink ribbon
- ✓ 25cm of 7mm wide pink ribbon with silver edging
- ✓ Off-cut of pink pearlised card

ROSE CARD

- ✓ White marabou feather
- ✓ Two sprays of pink/cream artificial tea roses
- ✓ 15cm of 1.5cm wide sheer white ribbon
- ✓ Off-cut of cream pearlised card

GET WELL CARD

- ✓ White marabou feather
- ✓ Three sprays of lilac ribbon flowers with beads
- ✓ 15cm of 1.5cm wide sheer lilac ribbon
- ✓ Lilac bow
- ✓ Off-cut of lilac pearlised card