

Thoughtful Expressions – Decoupage Card



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Supplies:

- **Stamp Set/Dies:** Thoughtful Expressions (162815), Everyday Details (162861)
- **Cardstock:** Basic White (159276), Lemon Lolly (161720), Berry Burst (144243)
- **Ink:** Tuxedo Black Memento (132708)
- **Tools & Accessories:** Thoughtful Expressions Dies (162821), Watercolor Pencils Assortment 1 (161700), Watercolor Pencils Assortment 2 (149014), Baker's Twine Essentials Pack (155475), Tinsel Gems Four-Pack (161623), Paper Trimmer (152392), Simply Scored (122334), Take Your Pick (144107), Clear Block D (118485), tapestry needle, reverse tweezers
- **Adhesives:** Multipurpose Liquid Glue (110755), Stampin' Dimensionals (104430), Mini Glue Dots (103683), scotch tape

Cardstock Measurements:

- Lemon Lolly Cardstock (card base): 8 ½" x 5 ½", scored at 4 ¼" on the 8 ½" side
- Basic White Cardstock: 2 ½" x 4" and a quarter sheet (4 ¼" x 5 ½")
- Berry Burst Cardstock: 3" x 4 ½" to use for die cutting
- Lemon Lolly Cardstock: 2 ½" x 4" to use for die cutting

Instructions:

- Start by creating the focal point – the decoupage flowers.
 - Stamp the multiple flower image from the Thoughtful Expressions twice onto your quarter sheet piece of Basic White cardstock. Use Tuxedo Black Memento ink for the stamping.
 - Color one of the stamped images with your choice of colors from the Watercolor Pencils Assortments 1 and 2. Your colors might be influenced by the colors of cardstock that are used to make the card. The example focuses on pinks and yellows for the flowers and greens for the foliage. Use the corresponding die from the Thoughtful Expressions Dies to cut out your colored flower image.
 - For the second stamped image, figure out which parts of the image you want to add as a second layer. This is the way that the decoupage look will be achieved. In the example below, you'll see that the flowers and a few of the larger leaves were used on the second layer. Color the parts that you want to layer with the watercolor pencils. Then, fussy cut the images. Before you adhere the cut images, add a little texture to the petals and leaves by using your bone folder to give them a little curl. Add the fussy cut images to the first, full stamped image with Multipurpose Liquid Glue. A pair of reverse tweezers can be very helpful to hold the pieces as you place them on the image.



- Add a little interest to your card base with some vertical score lines on either side of the front of your card. Put your card base into your Simply Scored board so that the score $4 \frac{1}{4}$ " score line is at the $4 \frac{1}{4}$ " mark. Score at $4 \frac{3}{8}$ ", $4 \frac{5}{8}$ ", $4 \frac{7}{8}$ ", and $5 \frac{1}{8}$ ". Skip some space and start scoring again at $7 \frac{5}{8}$ ", $7 \frac{7}{8}$ ", $8 \frac{1}{8}$ ", and $8 \frac{3}{8}$ ". Flip your card base over, and fill in the $\frac{1}{8}$ gaps in your scores. In other words, after you've flipped over your card base, score at $4 \frac{1}{2}$ ", $4 \frac{3}{4}$ ", and 5 ". Skip some space and then score at $7 \frac{3}{4}$ ", 8 ", and $8 \frac{1}{4}$ ". You'll end up with score lines at each $\frac{1}{8}$ " mark, but the score lines will vary between ones from the front and ones from the back. This is a great and easy way to add interest to your card fronts.
- The piece of Basic White cardstock that is cut to $2 \frac{1}{2}$ " x 4 " will fit perfectly between the scored lines. Adhere the Basic White cardstock directly to the card front between the scored lines. Center this piece the best that you can.
- Use the largest rectangle die from the Everyday Details Dies to cut a stitched rectangle from Berry Burst cardstock. Adhere the die cut piece directly on top of the Basic White cardstock on the front of your card.
- Stamp the sentiment "Wishing you so much joy on this special day" from the Everyday Details stamp set with Tuxedo Black Memento ink onto the $2 \frac{1}{2}$ " x 4 " piece of Lemon Lolly cardstock. Reference the finished card picture to gauge where to stamp the sentiment. Use the second largest rectangle die from the Everyday Details Dies to cut a stitched rectangle from the stamped Lemon Lolly cardstock.
- Get your tapestry needle and the white baker's twine from the Baker's Twine Essentials Pack, and sew your Lemon Lolly die cut piece as pictured. The bow will be added separately. Attach the loose tails to the back of the die cut with scotch tape. Tie a double bow with a second piece of white baker's twine, and add the bow to the stitched die cut with a few glue dots.
- Add the stitched die cut to the front of your card with Stampin' Dimensionals.
- Adhere your decoupage flowery focal point to the front of the stitched die cut with Multipurpose Liquid Glue.
- Finish your card by adding a few of the beautiful gems from the Tinsel Gems Four-Pack.