

D CACTUS CUTIES Bundle

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Step by Step Tutorial



- Begin with 5 ½ x 4 ¼ card base of **Mossy Meadow card stock**.
- Cut a piece of 5 ¼ x 4 of **Basic White Card Stock** for a middle layer.
- **Cut a piece of 5 x 3 ¾ Basic White Card Stock for the background**
 - Use a STENCIL cut from a piece **Window Sheet** with the **Potted Succulents Die (154330)**

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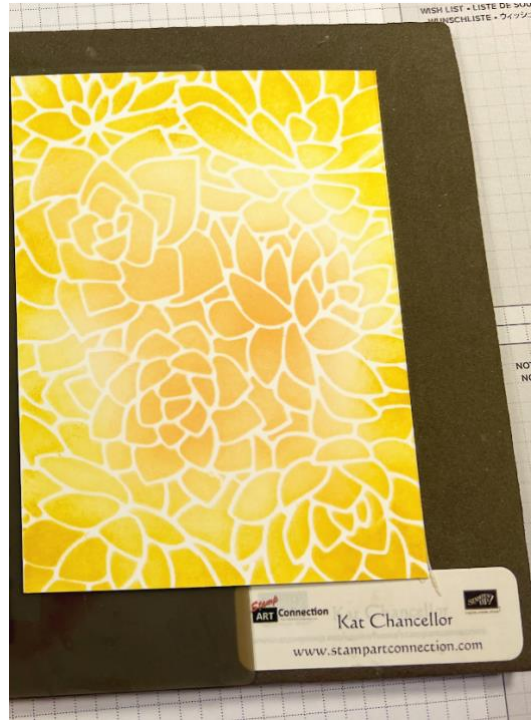
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- After you have cut the stencil from the Window sheet. Lay it over the cardstock and use a **Blending Brush** to apply **Bumblebee** – beginning at the ends blend gently by working toward the center.
- Then add **Flirty Flamingo** Ink in the center for a contrasting pop of color with the same blending brush using a gently circular motion with a very light touch.
- *TIP: Always start with the lighter color when blending with two colors.*



Here is the design after using the blending brush with the Potted Succulents DIE stencil cut from a piece of acetate or Window Sheet.

- **For the ADVID STAMPER:** Add texture to your stenciled background by using Embossing Paste and the **Butterflies and Flowers Mask**. Place the mask along the outside to add interest by adding a border along the outside edges.



Spread embossing paste with a palette knife using the B&F mask.

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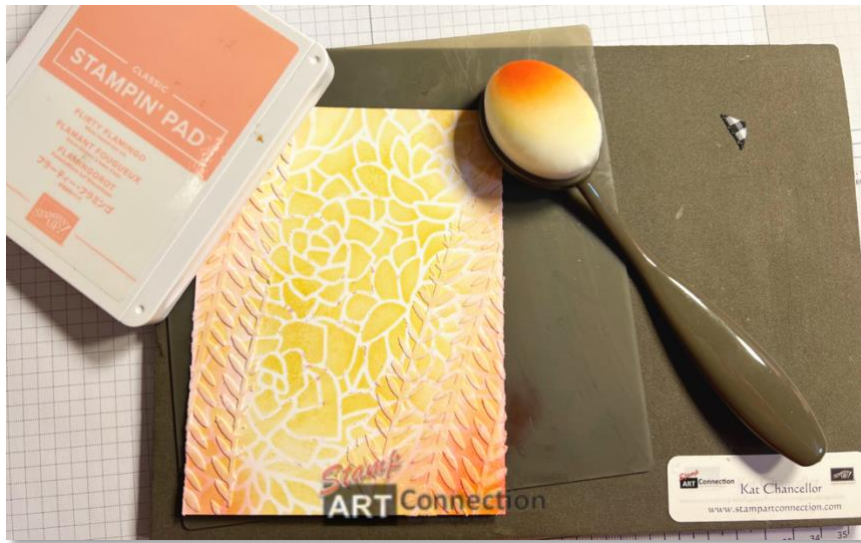
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- Once the paste is dry, add additional color to the textured surface with the blending brush:



Gently blend Flirty Flamingo on the textured embossed surface.



Here are both backgrounds (1) a stenciled background with embossing paste and colored with the blending brush using Flirty Flamingo ink (2) a plainly stenciled background.

- For a short Video Tutorial for creating these backgrounds go to:
 - https://youtu.be/ioUqbZP_pWM

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- **ASSEMBLING THE CACTI:** For the next steps, you will need to use **Basic White Card Stock** and **Evening Evergreen, Pear Pizzaz, Misty Moonlight & Cinnamon Cider ink pads** to stamp the cacti and pots. But first you need to create a “template” that will help you assemble the Prickly Pear cactus.
- To create the “template” that you will use to assemble your cactus; stamp the Prickly Pear design on a piece of card stock:



Evening Evergreen Ink on Basic White provides the “template”

- Loosely fussy cut the template:



- Now the template is ready to provide the “base” for adding pieces to create the full piece.
- **For a short presentation of the steps presented here and the full assembly -- please go to my special Video Tutorial by clicking the below LINK:**

- <https://youtu.be/OmPMRNAZkAk>

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- FINAL STEPS: For the SENTIMENT: Use the stamp from the featured stamp set but cut the "HELLO" sentiment using the small LABEL die from the **Beautiful Shapes Dies (158046)** that will fit perfectly on your card.
- Here's the best part --- embellish with "Googly Eyes" to make your cacti come "alive". I also added a little "bloom" in Flirty Flamingo on the Saguaro Cactus for added fun!
- For the inside sentiment – pick something fun to brighten the day! Sure to bring a smile to anyone's face!
- Lastly, add "Fine Tip Glue" to the pink and Flirty Flamingo blossoms for added shine.

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