

# Crafty Friday - September

## You will need:

- \* Basic craft kit including scissors, adhesives, Dimensionals and tape
- \* Greeting stamps
- \* Leaf/spatter/pattern stamps if desired
- \* Circle die and die-cutting machine
- \* *Optional:* Stitched Shapes dies (you'll use the middle-sized square)
- \* Ink pads in autumnal shades (I've used Early Espresso and Mint Macaron)
- \* A paper trimmer with scoring tool

## Project 1: W-fold card



1. Take the coloured leaf and acorn piece of DSP (pictured) and cut out as many leaves and acorns as you think you will need. I have used 6 acorns, 4 brown oak leaves, 2 green oak leaves, 1 brown maple leaf, 1 green maple leaf, 5 brown plain leaves, 2 green plain leaves but it's up to you.
2. Take two of the quarter sheets of Very Vanilla cardstock and trim down to **10cm x 14.3cm**. Stick these inside the Mint Macaron card base.
3. Take the long strip of Very Vanilla cardstock and score into four equal sections. That's at **14.8cm** (the centre), then **7.4cm** from each end.
4. Take your piece of Early Espresso cardstock and cut one piece measuring **10.5cm x 6.5cm**. Set this aside for the front of the card.

5. From the remaining Early Espresso cardstock, cut four **5.7cm (2 1/4")** squares.
6. Take these two pieces of DSP:



7. From these pieces, cut four **5.4cm (2 1/8")** squares. You can do this with a paper trimmer or using the middle-sized square from the Stitched Shapes dies. Attach these to the four Early Espresso squares.
8. Lay the long strip along the inside of your card and, applying adhesive onto the strip (not the backs of the squares), attach the four squares in your chosen order. Set aside.
9. Decorate the front of the card by stamping your greeting onto the label.
10. Take the striped DSP and cut a piece measuring **6cm x 10cm**. Layer this onto the Early Espresso piece you cut in step 4.
11. Before attaching to the card front, wrap some Mint Macaron ribbon around and tape at the back. Now you can stick it to the card front and attach your greeting label on top, popping this up using Dimensionals.
12. *NB: I've forgotten to give you the Mint Macaron design with the diagonal gold stripes, sorry!*
13. Finish off by decorating the front with your cut-out acorns and leaves, then tie a ribbon in linen thread around the Mint ribbon.
14. Now return to the inside of the card. Take your long strip with the squares attached and fold into a concertina shape. Apply adhesive/tape to the backs of the end two sections only.
15. You will attach this to the inside of the card with the cut edge up to the outside edge of the card. It may be easier to understand if you hold it out open – but make sure you have only applied adhesive to the end two sections or it won't concertina.



*Now onto the easy one...*

## Project 2: Aperture card

1. Begin by die-cutting a circle (or your chosen shape) in the front of the Cajun Craze card base.
2. Take the remaining quarter sheet of Very Vanilla cardstock and trim down to **10cm x 14.3cm**. Place this without sticking inside the Cajun Craze card base, then stamp your greeting so it shows through the aperture.
3. Stamp with further leaf, spatter images if you have them and if desired. Now you can stick it inside the card (*the only reason for waiting is if your stamping doesn't go to plan and you want another go on the reverse side*).
4. Take the striped DSP and cut a strip to measure **10cm x about 3cm**. Attach to the brass foil strip and trim so they're the same length. Attach these to the front of the card at the bottom.
5. Arrange leaves, acorns and brass foil leaves on the front of the card, around the base of the circle.
6. Finish off by tying your copper ribbon around the front in a bow, lining it up with the top of the striped DSP.



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