

Snow globe ornament

This project is quite tricky with lots of steps so take your time. It's a good idea to tick off the steps as you complete them. Feel free to simplify it if you think it will take you too long.

Prepare your pieces

1. Cut some coloured foil to 8"x4" and fold in half.
2. Place the snow globe die shape in the centre, with the large circle die evenly around it. You may wish to hold it down with some tape. Die-cut both pieces at the same time – roll it through 2-3 times – and set aside. *It's important to do them together, so they line up neatly when assembled.*
3. Take one ring of foil and one shaker dome. Carefully peel away the adhesive backing on the domed side and cover with your ring of foil. Repeat and set aside.
4. Die-cut two stags from cardstock of the same colour.
5. **Do you want to use the Stamparatus to stamp a perfect reverse image on the back of your tree? If no, skip to step 7.**
6. *If you are using the Stamparatus mirror technique to stamp on both sides of your punched tree, please ask for help if required. When you have done this, punch out the tree and skip to step 9.*
7. Stamp the tree on Whisper White and punch it out.
8. **Do you wish to stamp both sides of the tree? If no, skip to step 10.**
9. Turn it over and carefully stamp on the reverse, which is possible because the stamps are transparent. *NB: It doesn't fit perfectly as the punch is not symmetrical but will mostly be hidden among other trees and snow.*
10. Punch the tree twice again from Whisper White and trim off the bottom branches.
11. Take your leftover folded foil cardstock and, with it still folded in half, punch the the top branches of the tree so you have two treetops.
12. Using the Sprig Punch, punch four sprigs from coloured cardstock and two from Silver foil cardstock. Snip them all in half.

Make the scene

13. Using the Silver stamped tree as your base, build up your small scene by adhering a stag to each side, carefully aligning them so you don't get four antlers! Adhere the Whisper White trees on the left and the foil tree in front.



14. Check if it fits inside the snow globe and trim if desired... but not at the bottom as you need some excess here for the globe to stick to.

Assemble the ornament – this is where it can get tricky!

This is the hardest part of the project; sticking the two globes together and getting them aligned as they have a strong adhesive on the back, so please take care when assembling.

15. Carefully peel the adhesive backing from just the bottom of one shaker dome and place it on the table, open side up. Stick your scene to the adhesive.
16. Sprinkle some sequins or fake snow inside; not too much or you will obscure your trees.
17. Now peel away the rest of the adhesive backing on this dome and **add a loop of Baker's Twine at the top. Do not miss this step** as it will be really hard to add the twine later (ask me how I know!).
18. Peel away the backing from the second dome and very carefully join them together, ensuring they are lined up.
19. Using glue dots or double-sided tape, stick your punched sprigs to the front and back of the ornament, leaving about a 1cm gap in the centre.
20. Make two bows using your ribbon and adhere to the front and back of your ornament.

Snow globe card

Like the snow globe ornament, this project is all about alignment. The sample pictured is not my first attempt!

1. Cut a piece of Whisper White to 10cm x 13cm (3 15/16" x 5 1/8").
2. With this piece in the portrait position, place the Snow Globe die carefully in the centre, about 1cm-1.5cm (1/2") from the top edge and die-cut the aperture.
3. Stamp 'May this special season be wrapped in love & joy' at the bottom right of the white cardstock in your chosen colour, leaving space for the snow globe base.
4. Die-cut the snow globe base from the same foil you used for the ornament and a stag in the same coloured cardstock.



5. Pop out all the pieces of the snow globe base and adhere it to a scrap of the same coloured cardstock. Carefully trim around the edge with scissors. *NB: Don't be tempted to try to stick the foil cardstock to another piece of foil as this only works with certain adhesives and just makes a mess with wet glue.*
6. Take a piece of Whisper White cardstock about 7.5cm (3") square and, **without removing the adhesive backing**, place the snow globe shaker on top loosely, drawing around it with a pencil to give you a guide. Don't worry about this showing as it will be completely covered.
7. Sponge using Pool Party with your chosen colour at the bottom.
8. Stamp two trees on top in Silver or your chosen dark colour.
9. Stick your stag down; you can pop it up if you like but make sure he is fully within the shaker dome area or your sequins and snow will escape.
10. Position the dome over the stag and, if it doesn't match your original pencil line, draw round it again using a different coloured pen or pencil.
11. Sprinkle some sequins and fake snow into the centre of your sponged panel – not too many or they will obscure your scene (the sample has too much in it!). Peel away the adhesive backing from the back side of the dome and stick the dome on top.
12. Peel away the adhesive backing from the front of the dome and carefully adhere the white cardstock frame around it, ensuring it is lined up. This is tricky because the adhesive is very strong and does not allow for 'wiggle room'.
13. Now you can apply glue to the back of the Whisper White layer and carefully position it onto your silver-edged notecard. Make sure you get it in position first time as wet glue in particular will smear on the silver foil.
14. Pop up the dome base using Dimensionals – it doesn't sit right when glued flat.
15. Tie a bow using your ribbon and stick onto the left of the base with double-sided tape or a glue dot.
16. Inside the card, stamp a silver tree (make sure this is fully dry before closing the card) and a greeting in your chosen colour.
17. Stamp a tree on the envelope if desired.

