

card café

Inspiring cards and invitations to celebrate wedded bliss. BY MELISSA PHILLIPS

There's something magical about a summer wedding, and we're celebrating with ideas to make them extra special. A handmade card or invitation adds the perfect personal touch to such a momentous occasion. Settle in for some lovely ways to make this wedding season unforgettable!

card 1

- 1 Make card from cardstock. Trim and adhere patterned paper panels to card.
- 2 Die cut scalloped rectangle from cardstock, stamp notes, hearts, and congratulations; adhere to card.
- 3 Die cut circle from cardstock and adhere. Stamp, die cut, and colour birds and branches with markers. Adhere.
- 4 Stamp L-O-V-E, trim into squares, and adhere. Stamp *is in the air*, trim into flag, and adhere.
- 5 Thread button with twine and adhere. Embellish with sequins.

TIP: Keep the couple in mind.

When creating a card for the happy couple, consider their style. Are they young and modern? Cute and sweet? Rustic and playful? This adorable card is perfect for a cute couple. Those love birds and the frothy colour palette make saying, "I do" all the more delightful!

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Say "I do!" to these charming cards!

card 2

- 1 Make card from cardstock, and adhere patterned paper panel. Die cut scalloped edge from patterned paper and adhere.
- 2 Trim and adhere patterned paper strip.
- 3 Die cut hearts from cardstock and patterned paper. Adhere white heart to card.
- 4 Stamp and die cut flowers and leaves, and adhere to card. Adhere patterned paper heart.
- 5 Stamp sentiment, die cut flag, and adhere to card.
- 6 Die cut key pieces and adhere.
- 7 Affix sequin.

TIP: Amp up the romance.

What better time than a wedding to go ultra-romantic in your card design? Pour on the love with sophisticated patterns, sparkle, and script fonts. The newlyweds will appreciate and treasure the love you put into making something just for them.



key to my heart

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card 3

- 1 Make card from cardstock and round two corners. Trim patterned paper rectangle, round two corners, and adhere.
- 2 Trim and adhere patterned paper strip. Die cut scalloped rectangle and adhere.
- 3 Die cut white cardstock, stamp flora and words, and adhere.
- 4 Stamp, die cut, and adhere flowers and leaves with dimensional adhesive. Embellish with sequins.
- 5 Adhere die cut shape.

TIP: Create your own invitation.

If your wedding guests expect something handmade, you don't want to disappoint! Mass produce invitations (perfect for showers or rehearsal dinners) by doing each step at a time in multiples and assemble all at once.

you're invited

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