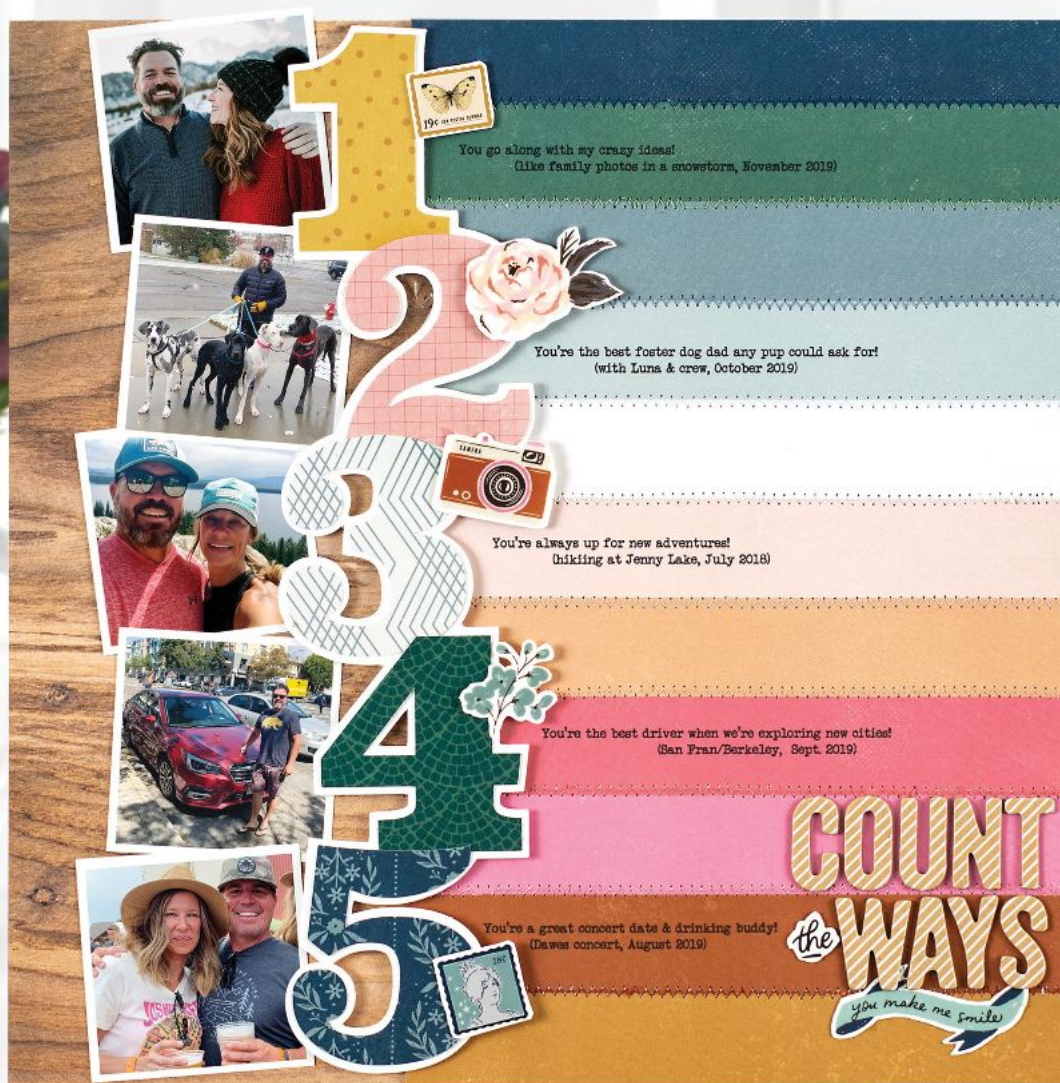


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numbers in designs

Numbers are an important part of everyday life—from alarms to bills to measurements to temperatures to birthdays and so much more! As 2020 comes to a close, and we count down to 2021 and the 365 days to come, our minds turn to numbers. In this issue, several designers are showcasing different ways to creatively incorporate numbers in their designs (no calculator necessary!). BY SUSAN R. OPEL

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layout 1

DESIGN TIP: Substitute clever embellishments for letters to create a fun title!



holiday statistics

Commemorate your holiday festivities by the numbers.

What was the temperature? Who couldn't make it? How many cookies did you bake? This idea will give you a new approach to remembering Christmas 2020 for years to come! I love how Wendy Sue included 0 creatures stirring. So clever!

christmas eve 2019 by the numbers

BY WENDY SUE ANDERSON

supplies CARDSTOCK, PATTERNED PAPER, CHIPBOARD, DIE CUT SHAPES, DIES, ENAMEL DOTS, STICKERS: Carta Bella Paper; TRIM: May Arts; ELECTRONIC DIE CUT MACHINE: Silhouette America; FONTS: Buttercup Sample, The Bold Font, Traveling Typewriter; ADHESIVE: 3M, Scrapbook Adhesives by 3L

DESIGN TIP: Manipulate your way to a unique title by using an electronic die cut machine. Wendy Sue typed her title in her machine's software and deleted the insides to create the outlined look.

DESIGN TIP: This type of layout is great for using a bunch of random photos from an event or holiday. The photos tell a story without really having to explain anything.



NUMBER DIES BY CZ DESIGN
FOR SIMON SAYS STAMP

DESIGN TIP: Invest in number dies. A set of wafer thin dies is a great way to create lots of different variety for your pages. Cut from different colours of cardstock or patterned paper for a different look every time!

layout 2

DESIGN TIP: Use number stickers to count your wishes and ground them with colourful tags. Don't forget the twine for added texture and interest!



list your wishes

Sophie's lovely layout is filled with 10 heartfelt wishes for her daughter, and what a delight it is! Take the time to capture your hopes and dreams for your child in layout form. The result will be one that will be cherished by your child and you! Keep the journaling consistent by starting with strong verbs and brief statements.

DESIGN TIP: Direct the eye. I love how Sophie very carefully planned her layout with the adorable photo of her daughter. The angle of her gaze directs the eye to the title. What a beautiful capture and masterful design sense!

my 10 warm wishes for you

BY SOPHIE DELORME

supplies CARDSTOCK: Bazzill Basics; PATTERNED PAPER, CHIPBOARD, DIE CUT SHAPES: Simple Stories; VELLUM: Royal & Langnickel; LETTER STICKERS: American Crafts; TRIM: Stampin' Up!; DECORATIVE TAPE: Doodlebug Design; FONT: American Typewriter; ADHESIVE: 3M, American Crafts; OTHER: Tissue paper

layout 3

DESIGN TIP: Stitch cardstock strips in an unconventional rainbow to create a stunning and unique background.



how do I love thee?

Let me count the ways! Lisa's love for her main squeeze is evident as she shares five things she loves about her hubby. Each of her five photos relates to each reason perfectly. What a fun way to document things you love about your significant other!

count the ways

BY LISA DICKINSON

supplies CARDSTOCK: Bazzill Basics; PATTERNED PAPER, STICKERS: Crate Paper; LETTER STICKERS: American Crafts; FONT: Veteran Typewriter; ADHESIVE: 3M, American Crafts

DESIGN TIP: Direct the eye. Use patterned papers in your cut file numerals in colours that coordinate with the cardstock background. You'll notice that the colours of Lisa's numbers are arranged in the opposite order of her background.



Lisa is sharing a free download of her Numbers cut file. You can do your own countdown with this fun, chunky set of numerals! Find it on our website

here: scrapbookandcards.com/bonus-content



card 1

DESIGN TIP: Create a sky full of snowflakes by combining large ink-blended snowflakes with stark white die cut flakes. So pretty!



countdown to christmas

When December dawns (and sometimes even before then), you may get the question, "How many more days until Christmas?" Mindy's delightful slimline Christmas card not only includes cute and excited creatures, the interactive wheel gives her design even more appeal. It's those special touches that add an extra element of fun to Christmas.

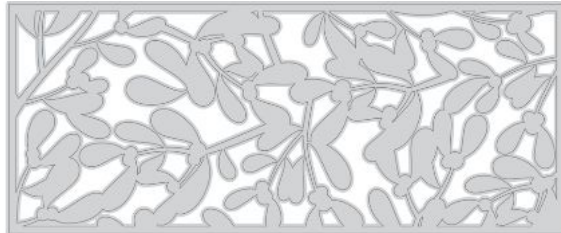
DESIGN TIP: If you don't celebrate Christmas, eliminate the gift and change *Merry Christmas* to *Warm Wishes*, and you're good to go.

merry christmas spinner

BY MINDY EGGEN

supplies CARDSTOCK, DIES, STAMPS: Lawn Fawn; INK: Lawn Fawn, Ranger Industries; ADHESIVE: Gina K. Designs, Scrapbook Adhesives by 3L, Therm O Web

DESIGN TIP: Making slimline cards is fun, and fortunately many manufacturers make it easy, too, with slimline products. Honey Bee Stamps carries lots of wonderful slimline-focused products, like the dies shown below, designed to make your slimline cards shine!



layout 4

DESIGN TIP: Direct the eye. Work those angles! Nathalie's use of angles in her design adds lots of energy and allows the eye to travel from the top left to the bottom right.



detail your bucket list

2020 has been a doozy for most of us, so why not take some time to dream up 21 things to do in 2021? Nathalie composed a really neat list of things to accomplish from small to big. She's ready to return to restaurants and movie theaters, and she plans to learn the ukulele (how fun is that?). It looks like Nathalie has some pretty exciting plans for herself!

DESIGN TIP: Don't have any photos for a pocket page? No problem! Sometimes just the act of creating and writing your list will fuel your soul. Remember, sometimes it's just fun to play and create.

21 things to do in 2021

BY NATHALIE LEONELLI

supplies CARDSTOCK: Bazzill Basics; PATTERNED PAPER, DIE CUT SHAPES, SPECIALTY PAPER, STICKERS: Heidi Swapp; PEN: Staedtler; POCKET PAGE PROTECTOR: October Afternoon; LETTER STICKERS: American Crafts, Elle's Studio; PUNCH: Michaels; FONT: Remington Noiseless; ADHESIVE: Kuretake Zig, Scrapbook Adhesives by 3L