

Ornate 3D Heat Embossed Owl Card with Sentiment

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ABOUT THIS PROJECT

Create a stunning 3D owl card using heat embossing techniques with an ornate owl stamp design. The card features a white heat-embossed owl on craft cardstock, layered with a black card base and white insert, finished with dimensional padding and hand-drawn details for a realistic flying effect.

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In this guide: 14 steps

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Prepare your craft-coloured cardstock and use an anti-static tool on the area where you'll stamp to prevent powder particles from sticking to unwanted areas.

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Ink up the large ornate owl stamp design and press firmly onto the craft cardstock, going over it twice to ensure all the deeply etched details are picked up clearly.

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Pour white embossing powder onto the wet stamped design, covering it completely.

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Flick off any excess embossing powder from the cardstock.

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Heat set the design with an embossing heat gun, holding it at a distance and moving it around until the powder melts and becomes shiny and bright.

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Stamp the sentiment 'freedom is being you without anyone's permission' in black ink onto the craft cardstock below the owl design.

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Carefully cut around the owl image with scissors using detailed cuts to accentuate the outline.

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Use a white gel pen to highlight certain areas of the owl's wings and details to enhance the dimensional effect.

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Gently curl and lift the owl's wings and tail slightly upwards to create a realistic flying appearance.

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Mount the craft cardstock piece with the white heat-embossed owl and sentiment onto a white insert card.

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Adhere the white insert card onto a black folded note card base.

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Apply a foam pad behind the body of a second heat-embossed owl layer and position it slightly offset on top of the first owl to create a 3D shadow effect.

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Gently nip and twist the wings of the top owl layer for added dimension.

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Use a white gel pen to add small white dots in clusters of three around the owl to fill open spaces and add detail.

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TIPS FROM THE SHOW

- Use an anti-static tool before stamping to keep embossing powder neat and prevent it sticking to unwanted areas.
- The hotter your embossing heat gun, the fewer lumps and bumps you'll get in your finished design.
- Always heat set your embossing powder or it will brush off the cardstock.

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