Tartan Mistletoe Sentiment Card with Watercoloured Elephant

A PROJECT FROM OUR LIVE SHOW - CATCH UP WITH SIMON FOR MONDAY MADNESS IN THE HTCN STUDIO...



ABOUT THIS PROJECT

A festive Christmas card featuring a tartan backing with a central stamped sentiment framed by mistletoe leaves. The design includes watercoloured green foliage with red berries, splattered details, and a cute watercoloured elephant in the corner for added charm.

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The project starts: 20:30 into the show
In this guide: 14 steps

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YOU WILL NEED

- Versafine Ink Pad - Onyx Black - 300921C
- 554177 - TV - A5 Stamp - Merry and Bright - 160620F

STEP BY STEP

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STEP 1 OF 14

Attach a piece of tartan patterned paper to the front of your top-folding grey card using a tape runner, lining it up at one edge.

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Trim the excess tartan paper using a guillotine, keeping the offcut for another project.

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Pre-cut a white square and position it in the centre of your card as your stamping base.

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Stamp your main sentiment in the centre of the white square using black ink, pressing firmly multiple times for a crisp finish.

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Stamp the mistletoe image around the sentiment in a random pattern to frame it, rotating the stamp to vary the angles and create visual interest.

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Fill in any gaps with smaller stamp images to complete the mistletoe border around your sentiment.

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Mix a diluted green watercolour and paint the mistletoe leaves, working loosely and not worrying about staying within the stamped lines.

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Mix a darker green and add shading to selected areas of the leaves to create depth and variation in tone.

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Mix a strong red watercolour and paint the mistletoe berries, keeping the colour vibrant and festive.

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STEP 10 OF 14

Dilute green watercolour and splatter it across the card background using your brush to add texture and break up the white space.

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Splatter diluted red watercolour over the background to complement the green splatters and add festive detail.

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STEP 12 OF 14

Mount the stamped and painted square onto a black matte layer, then attach foam pads to the back for dimension.

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STEP 13 OF 14

Watercolour the elephant image with grey, adding black for shading in the trunk, forehead and legs, then add pink to the ears and a bright red heart.

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STEP 14 OF 14

Die-cut the coloured elephant and attach it to the bottom corner of the card using foam pads for added depth.

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TIPS FROM THE SHOW

• You don't need to emboss the sentiment; the black ink pops effectively on its own against the tartan background.
• Don't worry about colouring the watercolour perfectly; light splatters and loose washes create an effective artistic look.
• Follow the light pencil lines already on the stamp to know where to add shading when watercolouring.

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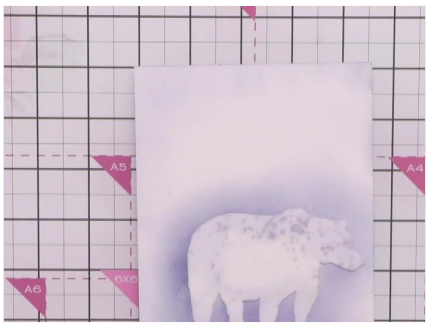
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