

Inspiration Sheet – Split Shape Negative Technique

A simple and stunning technique making 2 cards at once. (Papercrafting Playdate 137)



Supplies

- 5-1/2" x 8-1/2" card base (2)
- 4" x 5-1/4" Basic White cardstock (or other color) (2)
- 4" x 5-1/4" piece of pattern paper (1)
- Symmetrical shape die or punch
- Die-cut sentiments (optional)
- 4-1/8" x 5-3/8" coordinating cardstock (optional)

Directions

1. Determine the orientation of your card: vertical (portrait) or horizontal (landscape).
2. Lightly score the 4" x 5-1/4" piece of pattern paper in half based on the orientation of your card. If it is vertical score at 2". If it is horizontal score at 2-5/8". You will eventually cut on this score line.
3. Center your shape die or punch along the score line so that there are equal halves on both sides of the line and cut out.
4. Cut on the score line to create halves. If your shape rests securely inside the larger piece you can do this with one cut, or take the shape out and cut separately. This will give you 4 pieces: 2 halves of the shape and 2 halves of the rest of the pattern paper. Separate the pieces so that the left side of the shape goes with the right side of the paper, and the right side of the shape goes with the left side of the paper. This will create the negative spaces when you attach to card front.
5. Attach the pieces to the 4" x 5-1/4" Basic White card fronts. Line up the shape half with the negative space on the other piece.
6. Add a simple greeting across the shape or stamp inside the negative space. Embellish as desired.



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