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A completely adorable transformation – from flowered favor box to “ho-ho-holiday” spirited Christmas treat box! Use your ScanNCut to draw, emboss, and cut all the materials you’ll need for this delightful project.

MATERIALS:

ScanNCut (with Middle Tack Mat, Blade, Universal Pen Holder); Embossing Starter Kit; Shrink Film; Cardstock or Patterned Paper; Pens; Scissors; Heat Gun; Adhesive; Parchment Paper

Tip: Be sure to update your ScanNCut machine to the latest firmware for the embossing function if you have not previously done so, <https://www.brother-usa.com/support/>

EMBOSSING INSTRUCTIONS:

step 1. From the home screen, choose “Pattern” > “Fonts” >> “Logo.” (Pick the one you like best.)



step 2. Type the name you wish to have embossed and click “OK.”



step 3. Adjust the size to fit your box size and click “Set.”

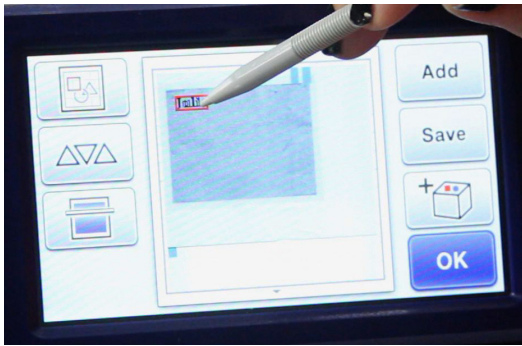


step 4. Scan in your loaded mat that already has the metal sheet set in place.



EMBOSSING INSTRUCTIONS (CONTINUED):

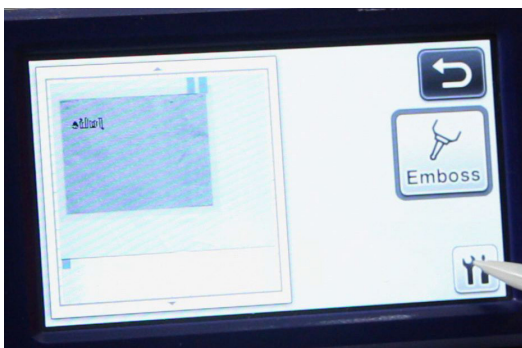
step 5. Drag the name onto the metal, leaving the desired space for the box.



step 6. To emboss (versus deboss), edit the font and choose “Reverse” (the logo that has the two triangles and a dashed line in the middle), and click “OK.”



step 7. Choose the “Tool Box” icon > “Line Emboss” >> “Emboss.” (For a deeper impression, emboss again.)



SHRINK PLASTIC DRAWING & CUTTING INSTRUCTIONS:

step 1. Place a piece of shrink plastic (sanded side up) on a middle tack mat, and load into machine.



Tip: Be sure to remove the embossing tool if doing this function after embossing.

step 2. Choose “Pattern” > “Basic Designs” >> “Holiday Patterns” >>> “Wreath.”



step 3. Adjust the size of the wreath, as it will shrink down quite a bit. (A height of ~5" will shrink to fit the box.)

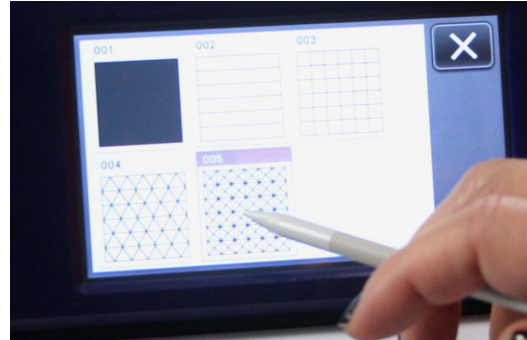
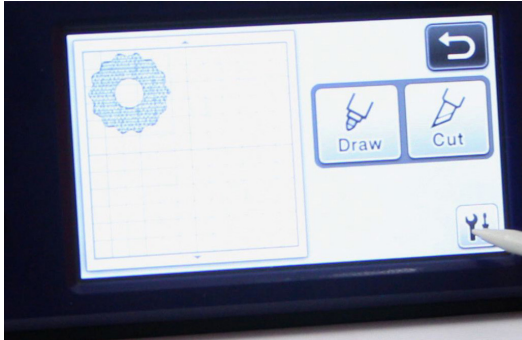


step 4. Choose the “Wreath” and use the “Fill” icon > “Set” >> “OK.”

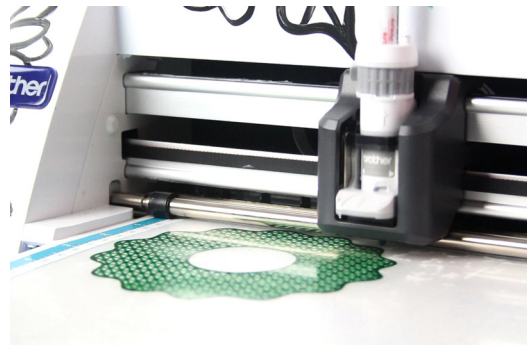


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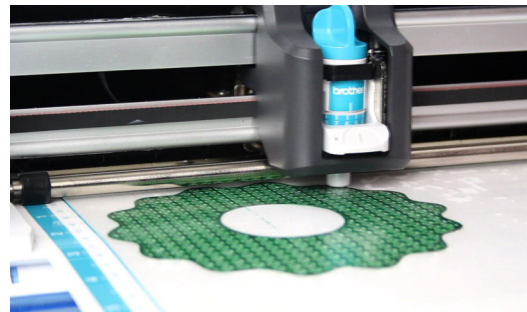
step 5. To pick the “Fill” pattern, use the “Tools” icon and scroll through to the “Fill” patterns, and then pick the one you like.



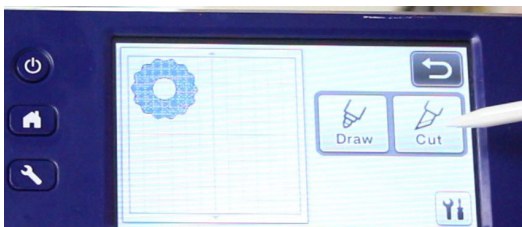
step 6. Put a green pen in the Universal Pen Holder and place into the ScanN Cut. Select “Draw,” and then press the “Start” button.



step 7. After the drawing is finished, remove the Universal Pen Holder and put a blade in place.

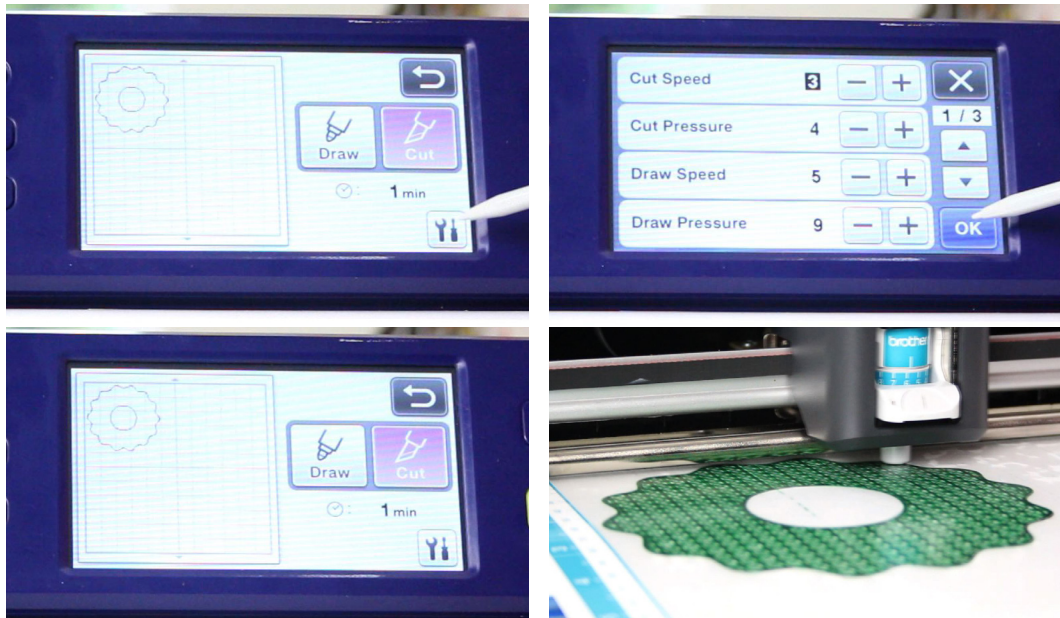


step 8. Choose “Finish” from the screen, and then press “Cut.”

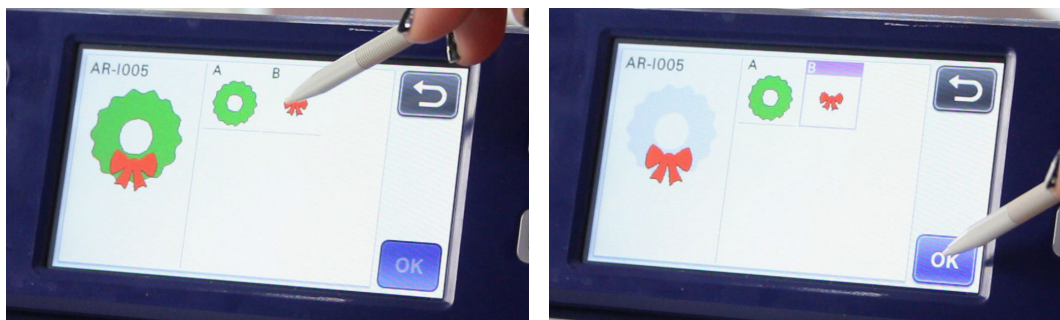


SHRINK PLASTIC DRAWING & CUTTING INSTRUCTIONS (CONTINUED):

step 9. Go to the “Tools” icon, and select “Adjust Cut Pressure.” (Shrink plastic requires more pressure, so be sure to perform a test cut to get the best result.) Select “OK” and then “Start.”



step 10. Go back to the home screen. (You can delete all patterns.) Go back to the wreath with the bow.



step 11. Adjust to the same size that was used previously. Choose “Bow” > “O.K.” >> “Set.”



step 12. Scan in the mat that already has the wreath loaded.

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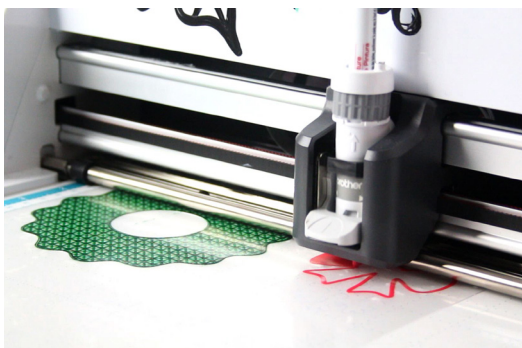
step 13. Drag the bow off to the side of the wreath. Select > “O.K.” >> “Draw.”



step 14. Select the “Tools” icon. Choose a different fill pattern, if desired. (Note that solid black is a complete fill.) Click “O.K.”



step 15. Switch out the blade and replace it with the Universal Pen Holder (with a red pen), and click “Start.”



step 16. Following the same steps as with the wreath, select “Cut > “Switch to Blade” >> “Start.”

step 17. Unload the mat when finished cutting, and remove the shrink plastic.

PAPER BOX INSTRUCTIONS:

step 1. Place a piece of paper on a middle tack mat, and load into the machine. (Christmas scrapbook paper was used for this project.)



step 2. Load the No. 4 - "3D Paper Craft Pattern Collection" USB onto the machine.



step 3. From the home screen, choose > "Pattern" >> "Saved Data" >>> "USB" >>>> "PG_B021."



step 4. Select the default size that was used to make the box in this project. Click "Set" and then "O.K."



step 5. Select the "Tools" icon. Adjust the cut pressure back to zero, and click "Cut."



PAPER BOX INSTRUCTIONS (CONTINUED):

step 6. Unload the mat, and peel away the excess paper.



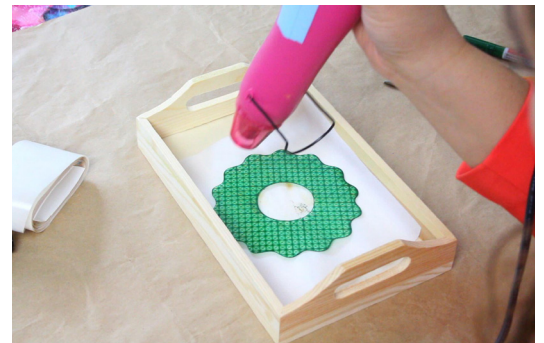
step 7. Crease on all of the perforation lines made by the ScanNCut, and fold into box shape.



SHRINKING PLASTIC INSTRUCTIONS:

step 1. Used in the video is a small wooden tray with a piece of parchment paper. This ensures the shrink plastic won't stick to anything and will stay in one area.

step 2. Using a heat gun, heat the wreath until the plastic has finished shrinking completely. (You can fold the paper up over the wreath and press with a brayer or any other hard surface to get a super flat piece.)



step 3. For the bow, instead of flattening at the end of shrinking, you want to curl it up. (Be careful, as the plastic will be very hot.)



METAL INSTRUCTIONS:

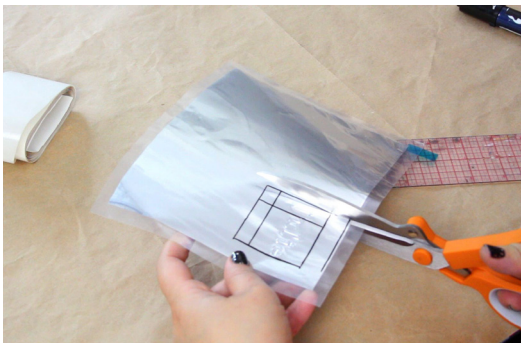
step 1. Because the metal has plastic, you can draw the outline for your box without worry.



step 2. Do not press too hard while drawing the lines, as the metal could bend.



step 3. Using scissors (never your ScanNCut) cut out the square you drew.



FINISHING INSTRUCTIONS:

step 1. Remove the plastic from both sides of the metal.

step 2. Adhere the metal to the side of your choice on the box.



step 3. Assemble the top with the wreath and box (and possibly a button, if you want a center embellishment).

