Make it with Claire #35
Stitched Shapes Folded Paper Christmas Tree Cards using Notecards & Envelopes

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Today we are making a basic and a stepped up Christmas card using the very affordable Note Cards and Envelopes (20 cards and 20 envelopes for $12.25). It feature a Christmas tree made from the Stitched Shapes Dies, but if you don't have those you can just use a circle of patterned paper. I also show you how to 'step it up' and add some more design elements if you would like.

Stampin' Up! products used:

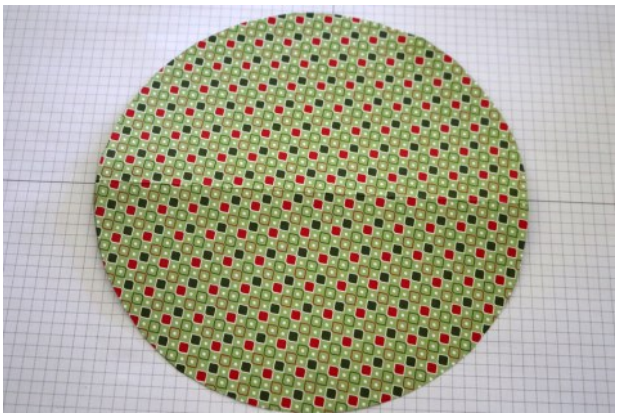
- Whisper White Note Cards & Envelopes [131527] — https://bit.ly/30Xdmn2
- Heartwarming Hugs Designer Series Paper [153492] — https://bit.ly/367Wsp6
- Stitched Shapes Dies [145372] — http://bit.ly/2zqpnUA
- Real Red A4 Card Stock [106578] — http://bit.ly/2zpt6So
- Wonder Of The Season Ribbon Combo Pack [153537] — https://bit.ly/36SrFwZ
- Champagne Rhinestone Basic Jewels [151193] — https://bit.ly/3amjF5r
- Card Stock A4 Pear Pizzazz [131290] — https://bit.ly/31QW9uX
- Mossy Meadow Classic Stampin' Pad [147111] — http://bit.ly/2Ie4QXg
- Itty Bitty Christmas Cling Stamp Set (En) [150513] — http://bit.ly/2Icz50M
- Banners Pick A Punch [153608] — https://bit.ly/36XuyN0

Measurements:

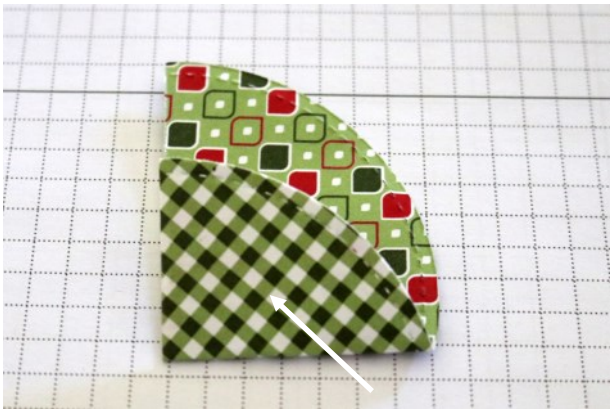
- Base patterned paper layer is 12cm x 8.2cm
- Real Red mat for patterned paper layer on stepped up card is 12.3cm x 8.5cm
- Sentiment strip of Pear Pizazz is 1.3cm wide
- Strip for tree base is 1cm wide

Step by Step Instructions:

1. Start with a circle cut from the largest circle die in the Stitched Shape Dies. If you don't have these dies, the size of the circle is 7.5cm diameter (for a larger tree, just start with a larger circle).
2. Fold the circle in half and cut down the centre. Each circle makes 2 trees.



3. With the straight line of the semi circle on the left, mark 2cm from the end closest to you, along the straight line.
4. Fold upwards at that point. Burnish with bone folder.



5. Fold the top layer back on itself so that the straight cut edge of the paper meets up with the crease line.
6. Burnish with bone folder.

7. Flip the whole thing over so that the fold line is now at the top and the folded sections underneath.
8. Next we will be folding the bottom left corner, so that the left line meets up with the top fold line.
9. Burnish with bone folder.

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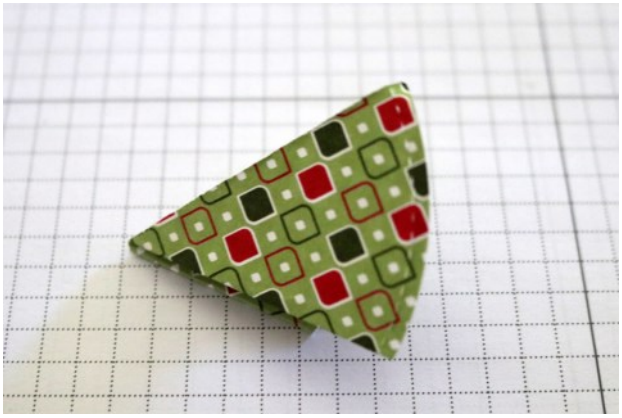
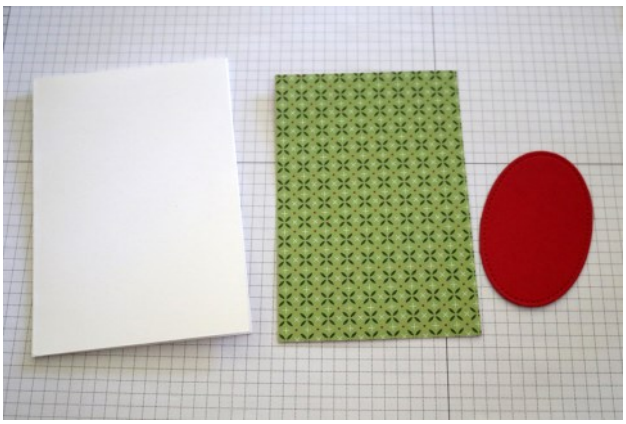
10. This is how it should look now that final fold is made.



11. Turn over to the other side and this is how the front of the tree looks.

12. Add some Dimensionals between each layer so that the tree keeps some dimension (I used Mini Dimensionals).

13. Cut your patterned paper (12cm x 8.2cm).
14. Cut out a stitched oval shape using the Stitched Shape Dies. If you don't have these, my oval is 7cm x 4.6cm.



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15. Adhere the patterned paper to the card front using Stampin' Seal.
16. Adhere the oval to the patterned paper using Dimensionals.

17. Adhere the tree to the oval using Dimensionals. Attach a Star Embellishment on top from Star Designer Elements.
18. Stamp your greeting from Itty Bitty Christmas onto a strip of Pear Pizazz cardstock 1.3cm (1/2") wide.
19. Use the Banners Pick a Punch to cut banner ends in both ends.
20. Attach to the card using Dimensionals.
21. I also stamped the same sentiment on the bottom right of the envelope (each time without reinking) for additional decoration.

For 'Stepped Up' version:

1. Add an additional layer of Real Red cardstock (cut at 12.3cm x 8.5cm) between the patterned paper and the notecard.
2. Add some coiled gold cord (from Wonder of the Season ribbon combo pack) under the oval.
3. Use Champagne Rhinestones on the tree (large one at the top and the smallest ones on the tree).
4. Fold the top left corner of patterned paper down a little to show the Real Red patterned side.