

Greeting Cards

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Making your own greeting cards will lend a personal touch to your message, and it's a great way to express your own personality, as well. This is also a nice way to make unique invitations—to a wedding or baby shower, an anniversary, or any very special event. Or to just send a beautiful note to a special person.

You will need (suggestions):

5" x 7" pre-cut cards and matching

envelopes

assorted beads

scrapbooking parchment in prints

or solids

coordinating ribbons or cord

rubber stamp with decorative

design and stamp pad

pressed flowers

scrapbooking embellishments

paper stick-on roses

lace trim

stencil

printed colored papers

fabric paint in coordinating color or glitter gold or silver

x-acto knife

white glue

pencil and straight edge

scissors

paper punch (large heart or star)

Basic directions:

A few ideas to get you started:

- Use beautiful scrapbooking parchment to cut windows, punch out shapes, attach to the front, or glue to the inside of the card.
- Punch holes to thread through a ribbon or cord.
- Use a rubber stamp on the front and add glittery stars
- Use self-adhesive, themed, scrapbooking embellishments
- Cut a window in plain white parchment for pressed flowers
- Glue on shiny beads or stars
- Apply dots, or outlines, or other shapes with fabric paint (and allow paint to dry thoroughly)

