

Simple Shadow Box Card

What you will need to recreate this project:

A4 card base plus extra scrap
Set of four nesting dies - largest 8.5cm max
Die cutting machine

Step by step:

Cut the A4 card in half down the length creating two pieces each measuring 29.7 x 10.5cm.

With one half in horizontal position measure & mark the following across both top & bottom: 10.5; 14.5; 25 & 29cm. These will be the score lines for the outer cover once the die cutting is complete.

Fold but do not burnish the scored lines, the die cutting machine tends to flatten out the folds so we only need to know where they are as a guide at this point.

Using the second half of the card in horizontal position measure & mark the following across both top & bottom: 10.5 & 21cm, draw in these lines & use as a guide to cutting out two pieces measuring 12.5 x 10.5cm, put aside the off cut for use on another project. Use one of these card pieces as a template against the card scrap to produce another piece of the same size.

With each of these three pieces in horizontal position, score a 1cm border down both the left & right hand side on all three pieces.

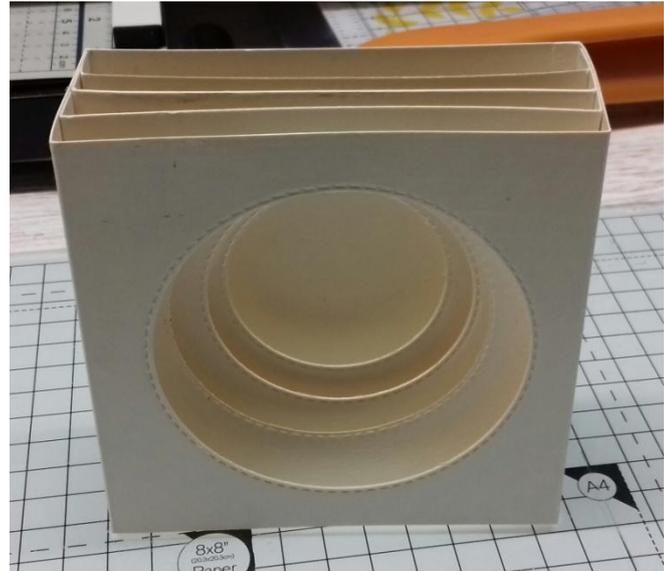
Return to the outer cover piece & with the .7cm score line on the left & the work face up position centre the largest die on the right hand side 10.5cm square section (nearest the .7cm score line). Then on the other three inner pieces position a die centrally within the 10.5cm square central section of each. If you have an A4 die cutting machine you will be able to fit all four pieces on the plate to cut in one pass, if you allow the outer cover to overhang the cutting plates.

Run the pieces through your machine & remove all of the dies, store the cut out circles for a future project.

Open up the card cover, measure & mark the 4cm side panels in 1cm increments & draw in these lines as a guide to positioning the inner sections.

Now fold & burnish all of the score lines on both the card cover & the three internal pieces & arrange in order with the cover followed by the next largest aperture, etc.

It is easier to construct & decorate the work if you only adhere each of the panels to one side of the cover initially. To do this you can either apply tape or glue to the side flaps on the internal panels or



to three of the four pencilled side sections within the card cover, ignoring the one closest to the large front aperture on the cover.

Fix all of the internal panels to one side in turn making sure they align with the top & bottom of the cover. Go ahead & decorate your project to suit the recipient & then adhere the other side of each panel to the opposite side within the outer cover. Finally adhere the .7cm flap to the inside back of the cover.