

AVERAGE TIME

2
HOURS

CHALLENGE LEVEL



Simple Techniques - Stunning Effects

TECHNIQUE: PAPER MASKING



MATERIALS

DB37473 Honeycomb Salad
Plate
Sheet of Paper
Fan Brush
Scissors
Straight Pin

COLORS

CMM 14 - Gum Drop
CMM 57 - Squash Blossom
CMM 45 - Indigo

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INSTRUCTIONS

1. Start by painting your piece with 2 generous coats of your lightest color. This will be the color for your shapes. We used Gumdrop.
2. Cut out your shapes. We did hearts by folding our paper in half, in half again, and in half again. Starting on the crease of the paper, we cut out half of a heart. Unfolding them should make you a stack of hearts. Repeat for another piece of paper if needed.
3. Working one at a time, dip the shape in water and place it on your piece where you'd like it to go. Brush over the shape with water to seal it down. Repeat for as many shapes as you'd like. Allow the water to dry.
4. Paint your piece again with 2 generous coats of your medium color, we did Squash Blossom. Paint right over the paper covering it completely.
5. As the Squash Blossom starts to dry, you'll see your paper shapes are still shiny. Use that as a guide for where to put your next layer of shapes. Our hearts overlap to achieve a shadow effect.
6. Again, stick your shapes on by dipping them in water and placing on the piece where desired. Smooth out their surface with water to seal.
7. Next, use your fan brush to apply 2-3 coats of your dark color all over the top of your piece. We used Stonewash.
8. Once the Stonewash starts to dry, the shapes will remain shiny for an extended period of time. To remove the shapes, simply poke your pin about 1/4" in from the edge of the shape and scoop the pin upward to release the paper. Be sure to remove all paper prior to putting it in the oven.

TIPS

- Contrast between the colors is important, so choose a light, a medium, and a dark.
- You don't have to do multiple layers of your shape. You could simply choose a light and a dark.
- You can use paper punches to cut out your shapes, or simply your imagination and scissors.

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