Clean and Simple Watercolour Wash Card with Floral Stamp

A PROJECT FROM OUR LIVE SHOW - CREATE TOGETHER CLUB - 28 MARCH 2022

ABOUT THIS PROJECT

A minimalist card featuring a soft watercolour wash background created with masking tape and ink blending, topped with a stamped floral detail and a simple sentiment. The design uses a bleaching technique with water to create organic splashes and a clean, modern aesthetic.

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The project starts: 33:00 into the show
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STEP 1 OF 12

Start with a top-folding note card in pink with a black mat layer and white card stock.

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Mask off the top portion of the white card using removable tape, leaving approximately the top third exposed.

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Apply teal ink to the exposed area using a brush, building up colour gradually for depth.

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Layer additional ink colours such as salty ocean and faded jeans over the teal to create a blended, multi-toned effect.

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Wet a brush with clean water and apply it to the inked area to create bleached splashes and organic texture.

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Blot the wet area with tissue to remove excess water and set the effect.

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Carefully peel away the masking tape to reveal a clean edge between the coloured wash and the white card.

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Stamp the large floral design from Beautiful Notes in black ink across the top portion of the card, positioning it to overlap the coloured wash area.

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Stamp additional floral detail lower on the card by repositioning the stamp slightly to catch more of the design.

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STEP 10 OF 12

Use a fine-liner pen to draw a single or double line around the edge of the card as a decorative frame.

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STEP 11 OF 12

Stamp a simple sentiment such as 'Enjoy your day' in black ink to the side of the design.

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STEP 12 OF 12

Mount the white card onto the black mat layer, then attach to the pink card base.

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TIPS FROM THE SHOW

- Use removable tape to mask areas cleanly without damaging the card stock.
- Oxide ink pads work just as well as Tim Holtz pads for this technique—use what you have in your stash.
- Simplicity is key; sometimes leaving a design minimal allows the stamp and background to speak for themselves.

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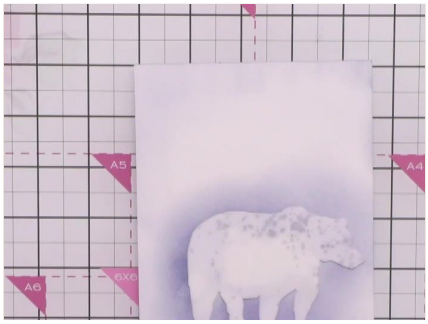

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