



GryphonArt

HAND MADE GIFT BOXES & EMBELLISHMENTS

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Online Tutorial

<https://youtu.be/hYq8b1vjpc4>

ITEM	CARD SIZE (PER BOX)	QTY
Die Cut Shapes - Roof (Spellbinders Nestabilities Hexagons (S4-368),		
- Hexagon	3 $\frac{3}{8}$ " x 3 $\frac{1}{8}$ "	5
- Hexagon	2 $\frac{7}{8}$ " x 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ "	5
- Hexagon	2 $\frac{1}{4}$ " x 1 $\frac{7}{8}$ "	5
- Hexagon	1 $\frac{1}{4}$ " x 1 $\frac{3}{8}$ "	5
- Hexagon	$\frac{7}{8}$ " x $\frac{3}{4}$ "	5
Die Cut Shapes (Spellbinders Nestabilities Hexagons (S4-368); Poppystamps Garden Bouquet (Style No 1188); Spellbinders Shapeabilities Foliage Two (S5-129); Memory Box Honeycomb Remnant (Style No 99439)		
- Hexagon (Main box colour)	2 $\frac{7}{8}$ " x 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ "	2
- Flowers for Lid (To be painted gold)		6
- Foliage for Internal Tray		6
- Flowers for Internal Tray		9
Lid: (Main box colour)	10" x 4 $\frac{3}{4}$ "	1
Lid – Second Layer: (Main box colour)	10" x 2 $\frac{1}{8}$ "	1
Lid – Finishing Strip: (Main box colour)	11 $\frac{5}{8}$ " x $\frac{3}{8}$ "	1

BASIC NOTES

Preparation

Lid Roof: (Mount board or chip board may be substituted for this component)

- Take two of the largest hexagon die cut shapes that you are going to use for the lid roof and glue them together. Repeat this process with the remaining three hexagons of the same size, until you have a hexagon shape that is five layers thick.
- Repeat the above for the remaining four hexagon sizes that will be used for the roof. (**Note:** if you are using a stud earring style embellishment on the top of the lid, you may need to create a hole in each of the smallest hexagons before gluing).
- Take the smallest set of hexagons and glue centrally, to the decorative side of the next hexagon size up. Repeat this process until you have a graduated stack five hexagons. (25 layers of card in total).

Lid Top Embellishment:

- Particularly if you are using a slow drying, gold paint or ink, prepare gold embellishment for top of lid, to allow it to thoroughly dry before it is needed.

Internal Flower and Foliage Embellishments:

- Glue together so that each item consists of three layers.
- Glue a flat sided pearl to centre of each of the three flowers.

Construction

Internal Tray:

- Cut out a hexagon that has 2 & 3/16" sides (Approximately 3 $\frac{3}{4}$ " x 4 $\frac{3}{8}$ "). A template has been provided below for this purpose.
- Score on all sides at $\frac{1}{2}$ " on the wrong side of the card.
- Measure and mark points 1 & 3/16" in from extreme corners. Score between these points to create a small internal hexagon shape.
- Score from each point, at right angles to the edge of the small hexagon, to the outside edge of the larger hexagon. (Orange lines on diagram).
- Prepare pattern as indicated by the "Tray Pattern" diagram.
- Draw up the sides of the box and glue little tabs to the inside of the box, forming a hexagonal shape.
- Glue remaining flaps down inside the box.
- Embellish with foliage and flower die cut shapes. (Please see video for detail).

Drop Sided Base:

- Cut out a hexagon that has $3\frac{1}{2}$ " sides using the template provided in the pages below.
- Position the same template over the wrong side of the hexagon that you have just cut, so that you can accurately mark the position of the corners of the smaller central hexagon (also marked on the template). **Tip:** Use something pointed that will leave an indentation at each corner without piercing all the way through the card.
- Score between dots to produce the central hexagon shape.
- In the same way as for the tray, score from each of the central hexagon corners, to the outside edge of the base section. (Equivalent to the orange lines on the "Tray Pattern" diagram).
- Fold and crease all the lines on the base section.
- Bringing the edges of the straight lines together (which form the box sides), create a fold line that runs from the point of the internal hexagon corner to the outside edge of the base section. Crease firmly.
- Measuring from the top of this newly formed fold line, measure down $\frac{3}{4}$ " and make a very small mark with a pencil.
- Cut from this pencil mark (double thickness of card), to the outside corner of the adjacent upright fold line, creating a "V" shape in the top of the card.
- Repeat this five times, to create a symmetrical shape.
- Stamp some bees on the decorative side of the base.
- Embellish the base on the inside with honeycomb die cut shapes and stamped bees.
- Trim a $2\frac{1}{4}$ " x $2\frac{1}{2}$ " hexagon so that it fits the centre of the box base on the inside and glue in place to strengthen the base. **Tip:** Ensure that it does not cover any of the fold lines – trim if necessary.
- Glue tray to centre of base.

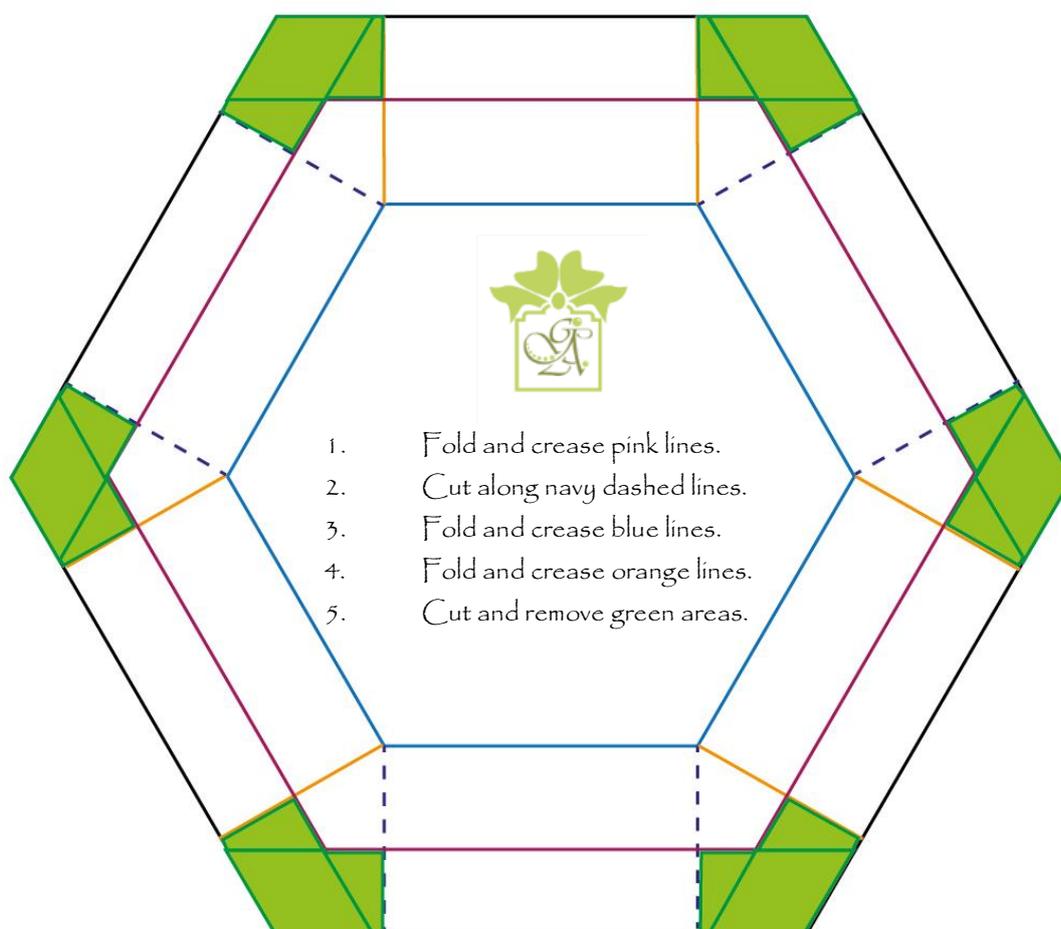


Diagram: Tray Pattern



(Template with $2 \frac{3}{16}$ " sides)

Tray: Hexagonal Drop Sided Box



(Template with $3 \frac{1}{2}$ " sides). **Base:** Hexagonal Drop Sided Box



(Template with $1 \frac{3}{8}$ " sides)

Base Centre: Hexagonal Drop Sided Box

SCORING LINES - CUMULATIVE

Lid: Portrait (score on the wrong side of the card)	1 $\frac{5}{8}$ "	3 $\frac{1}{4}$ "			
Turn to Landscape	$\frac{3}{8}$ "				
Lid – Second Layer: Portrait (score on the wrong side of the card)	$\frac{7}{8}$ "	1 $\frac{3}{4}$ "			
Turn to Landscape	$\frac{3}{8}$ "				
Lid – Finishing Strip: Portrait (score on the wrong side of the card)	3/16"				

BASIC NOTES - CONTINUED

Construction

Lid:

- Fold and crease score lines.
- Trim away small corner sections to create a central fixing tab at one end of the pattern piece.
- Fold down the 1 $\frac{1}{8}$ " section to create a double card thickness.
- Fit the double layer section to box, marking the position of corners, scoring, folding and creasing the score lines and creating flaps as you progress around the box.
- Trim away any excess card.
- Glue down flaps, excluding the one at the opposite end to the fixing tab.
- Snip into fold lines to create a second set of flaps.
- Join sides at fixing tab.
- Glue down remaining flap.
- Place lid on the box base to glue flaps in place – forming the top of the lid.

Lid – Second Layer:

- Repeat as for lid, but fit to the lid. Glue onto the lid and glue the second set of flaps onto the top edge of the lid.
- Glue a 2 $\frac{1}{8}$ " x 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ " hexagon to the bottom of the inside of the lid. (Trim to fit as necessary).
- Embellish inside the lid with honeycomb and bees if desired.
- Make up the gold flower embellishment for the top of the lid.
- Drill hole in very top hexagon of the "Lid Roof", to take the bee stud earring if using.
- Glue lid roof to the top of the lid.

Lid – Finishing Strip

- Score a line down the middle of the finishing strip (portrait mode). Fold along the line and crease.
- Score one end at $\frac{3}{8}$ " and trim excess to create a small tab.
- Dry fit to box, by folding around the underside of the lid, to identify the length required. Trim away any excess (erring on the side of caution).
- Glue in half, except for about $\frac{1}{2}$ " length, at the opposite end to the tab.
- Glue to the box, positioning just under the hexagonal lid, tucking the tab between the folded layers to finish.

Finishing Off

- Apply a wash paint to box base, to give the effect of water staining.
- Stamp with bees and paint.
- Leave fitting of gold lid embellishment until last ... glue this in place.