



Thoughtful Branches

CLASS INSTRUCTIONS

CLASS SUPPLIES

Stamps

- Thoughtful Branches Stamp Set

Paper

- Kraft, Old Olive, Sahara Sand, and Whisper White Cardstock
- Watercolor Paper

Ink

- Basic Gray Archival Stampin' Pad
- Daffodil Delight, Peekaboo Peach, Sahara Sand, and Watermelon Wonder Classic Stampin' Pads
- VersaMark Pad
- Clear Wink of Stella Glitter Brush

Accessories

- Copper and White Stampin' Emboss Powder
- 5/8" Burlap Ribbon
- Peekaboo Peach 3/8" Ruched Ribbon
- Watermelon Wonder 5/8" Mini Striped Ribbon

- Linen Thread
- Copper Metallic Thread

Adhesives

- Fast Fuse Adhesive
- Multipurpose Liquid Glue
- Stampin' Dimensionals

Tools

- Aqua Painters
- Big Shot
- Precision Base Plate
- Beautiful Branches Thinlits Dies
- 1/16", 1-1/2", and 2" Circle Punches
- Gift Box Punch Board
- Paper Snips
- Heat Tool

SUPPLY PREPARATION (MAKES ONE SET OF THE THREE PROJECTS)

1. Cut cardstock.

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Whisper White Cardstock <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ 2-1/2" x 2-1/2" ◦ 2-1/4" x 7/8" ◦ 3" x 3" ◦ 4-3/4" x 3-1/2" ◦ 8-1/2" x 5-1/2" (card base) ◦ 4" x 3-1/2" ◦ 4" x 4" | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Old Olive Cardstock <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ 4" x 3-1/2" • Sahara Sand Cardstock <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ 3" x 2-1/2" ◦ 8-1/2" x 5-1/2" (card base) • Watercolor Paper <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ 5" x 3-3/4" | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 5/8" Burlap Ribbon <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ 36" • Peekaboo Peach 3/8" Ruched Ribbon <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ 3-1/2" • Watermelon Wonder 5/8" Mini Striped Ribbon <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ 4-1/2" | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Copper Metallic Thread <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ 36" ◦ 18" • Linen Thread <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ 32" |
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2.Score Gift Box

- Follow directions on the Gift Box Punch Board to make an extra large box with a sheet of Kraft Cardstock. Do not fold it or assemble it yet.

3.Emboss

- Stamp "For you" in VersaMark ink in one corner of the 2" x 2" Whisper White Cardstock, leaving room to punch it out. Stamp the leaves above it. Emboss using Copper Stampin' Emboss Powder and the Heat Tool.
- Stamp the small leaves above the "For you" image in VersaMark ink, leaving room to cut it out with the small leaf die. Emboss using Copper Stampin' Emboss Powder and the Heat Tool.
- Stamp the small dots several times in VersaMark ink on one corner of the scored Kraft box. Emboss using Copper Stampin' Emboss Powder and the Heat Tool. Repeat on the opposite side.
- Stamp the large flower petals image in VersaMark Ink on the Watercolor Paper. Emboss using White Stampin' Emboss Powder and the Heat Tool. Repeat this process until the entire paper is covered with petals.
- Stamp three trees on the right side of the 4-3/4" x 3-1/2" Whisper White Cardstock in VersaMark ink, leaving room for the wavy lines at the bottom of the paper. Emboss using White Stampin' Emboss Powder and the Heat Tool.
- Stamp the wavy lines image three times on the bottom of the 4-3/4" x 3-1/2" Whisper White Cardstock in VersaMark ink. Emboss using White Stampin' Emboss Powder and the Heat Tool.



4.Cut with Big Shot

Tip: When you use the Precision Base Plate, we recommend that you use the Big Shot Platform instead of the Magnetic Platform. Since the Precision Base Plate is metal, it is easy to pinch your fingers when it magnetizes to the Magnetic Platform.

- Place the tree die between the two stamped birds and cut it out using the Precision Base Plate and Big Shot Platform.
- Line up the two bird dies with the stamped bird images and cut them out using the Magnetic Platform.
- Line up the small leaves die over the stamped image and cut it out using the Magnetic Platform.
- Place the stem and leaf die on the 3" x 2-1/2" Sahara Sand Cardstock. The die will be larger than the cardstock. Make sure the two leaves fit on the cardstock and cut out using the Precision Base Plate and Big Shot Platform.
- Place the stem and leaf die on the Old Olive Cardstock and cut it out using the Precision Base Plate and Big Shot Platform.
- Place the flowering blossoms die on the 4" x 4" Whisper White Cardstock and cut it out using the Precision Base Plate and Big Shot Platform.



5. Color

- a. Using an Aqua Painter, watercolor wash over the embossed flower petals with Daffodil Delight and Peekaboo Peach ink. The embossed image won't absorb the color (this is called the emboss-resist technique). Use an Aqua Painter to pick up some Peekaboo Peach ink, making sure the tip is very saturated. Gently flick the Aqua Painter to spatter the ink on your watercolored image. Let dry.
- b. Lightly cover the Whisper White flower petals using the Clear Wink of Stella Glitter Brush.

6. Stamp

- a. Stamp "You're in my thoughts" in Watermelon Wonder ink on the 3" x 3" piece of Whisper White Cardstock.
- b. Stamp a small bird in Watermelon Wonder on each side of the 4" x 3-1/2" Whisper White Cardstock, leaving room for the tree die between them.
- c. Stamp the small leaves three times in Basic Gray ink on the watercolored image.
- d. Stamp "Your kindness makes a difference" in Sahara Sand ink on the 2-1/4" x 7/8" Whisper White Cardstock. Stamp it toward the right side of the paper so you'll have room to cut the banner.

7. Punch and Snip

- a. Use the 1-1/2" Circle Punch to cut out the "For you" image.
- b. Use the 2" Circle Punch to cut out the "You're in my thoughts" image. The image is slightly larger than the punch, so you will lose the bottoms of some of the letters.
- c. Use Paper Snips on the "Your kindness makes a difference" image to cut out the banner shape on the left side.
- d. Use the 1/16" Circle Punch to punch a hole at the top of the "For You" circle.

PROJECT ASSEMBLY

FOR YOU BOX

1. Fold all score lines on the gift box and use Fast Fuse Adhesive to adhere the edges. Fill the box before you close it.
2. Wrap the 5/8" Burlap Ribbon around the box. Tie a knot at the top of the box, and cut off as much of the tails as possible.
3. Double up the Linen Thread and tie it around the box (just one way—don't criss-cross), then tie in a knot at the top of the box.
4. Adhere the leaf image to the "For you" image using Fast Fuse Adhesive.
5. Double up the Copper Metallic Thread and put both ends through the punched hole. Leave a little slack on the back of the circle and secure with Stampin' Dimensionals before tying a bow in the front.
6. Adhere the petals, stem, and "For you" image to the top of the box using Stampin' Dimensionals. Cover the burlap knot on top with the "For you" image.

KINDNESS CARD

1. Fold the Whisper White card base in half.
2. Adhere the embossed trees to the front of the card using Stampin' Dimensionals.
3. Adhere the birds to the tree using Fast Fuse Adhesive.
4. Adhere the tree to the front of the card using Stampin' Dimensionals.
5. Adhere the "Your kindness matters to me" sentiment to the front of the card using Stampin' Dimensionals.

YOU'RE IN MY THOUGHTS CARD

1. Fold Sahara Sand card base in half.
2. Adhere the Watermelon Wonder 5/8" Mini Striped Ribbon to the watercolor piece using Fast Fuse Adhesive.
3. Adhere the Peekaboo Peach 3/8" Ruched Ribbon to the Watermelon Wonder ribbon using Fast Fuse Adhesive.
4. Touse the Copper Metallic Thread, then attach it along with the leaves and the sentiment to the watercolor layer with Stampin' Dimensionals.
5. Adhere the watercolor layer to the card base using Fast Fuse Adhesive.