

Decorative Pumpkin Trio

Featured paper collection: *Falling For You*



These adorable decorative pumpkins are the perfect project for you and your friends to craft up in preparation for autumn. They are simple to assemble, easy to customize, and will make the space they occupy in your home that much cozier.

As you share this pumpkin trio with family or a group of friends, turn it into a workshop! Our project uses shapes and papers to make pumpkins, but feel free to get creative and use this technique to create other symmetrical fruits or veggies (like apples, pears, oranges, etc) any time year!

What you need to complete this project:

- Falling for You Paper Packet (X7223B)
-(one paper packet makes 6 pumpkins)
- Bone Folder (Z1204)
- All-purpose Mat (Z2045)
- Cricut® Flower Market Collection (Z2385)
-(consider pre-cutting shapes for workshop; see step 1)
- White Burlap Ribbon (Z3323)
- Adhesive Runner (Z3372)
- Wooden Dowel (3/16" diameter)
- Hot Glue Gun
- Scissors

Step 1—Cricut® and Paper Cuts.

Cut the following shapes using the Cricut® Flower Market Collection. These cuts will give you enough pieces to create three pumpkins; if you have a big group, you may want to cut these beforehand. Remember to trim zip strips from your papers before making your Cricut® cuts—keep them nearby, though, because you will use them in the next step!

- 3" Flower-2 <7> (cut 15, p. 7)
- 3½" Flower-2 <7> (cut 15, p. 7)
- 4" Flower-2 <7> (cut 15, p. 7)

Step 3—Assemble Stems

Tips:

- Using scissors, cut three pieces out of the wooden dowel: 3¾", 4¼", and 4¾"
- Wrap the top 1 ½" of the three dowel pieces with your choice of zip strip, attaching with hot glue



Step 4—Assemble Pumpkins

Tips:

- Using your bone folder, score each paper circle down the middle with the side of the paper you'd like to display on inside of fold
- Separate your folded circles by size, 3", 3½", and 4"
- Using adhesive, attach all the circles of the same size together, aligning rounded edges and stacking as you go



Step 5—Put It All Together.

- Add hot glue to the folded edges of the circles in your stack and adhere around stem, with paper end sticking out at the top
- Add adhesive to the flat side of the last circle and finish wrapping around the stem to adhere to the facing paper circle, completing the pumpkin
- To make your pumpkins stand, add a generous amount of hot glue to the bottom of your pumpkin and quickly press it onto an All-purpose mat. Hold it in place while it dries to create a flat base.
- Tie some ribbon around the stem of your pumpkin and you're done!



Follow these steps for each size of pumpkin you cut to get a pumpkin trio for decorating your table, mantle, or shelf this autumn season!