

## 3D Flower Pot & Vase



To make the Paper covered Flower Pot I firstly drew around the Flower and Vase shape on the Back of the pieces of paper I intended using. You will need 4 Vase shapes and 4 Flower shapes.

Cut out each piece along the lines.

Now cut around again approx 2mm in from all the edges, keep comparing against the original Flower and Vase shape until you are happy with the shapes and they fit on the original Craftwood pieces.

You will need to then cut an approx 6mm wide section down the centre of each piece, this is to allow the pieces to be slotted together later.

Create Leaf shapes based on the originals. Once all the pieces are cut I then Ink all the edges this hides the white cut paper edge & also helps the pieces blend with the background.

The paper used for this particular project is by Graphic 45 and is called "Bird Song".



Next I have coloured around the edges of all the shapes. You will need to colour around the slot and down or up to the top/bottom of each piece, as shown left as these areas will be visible when the pieces are slotted together. Colour both sides of all the pieces.





This project was created as an alternative to an Anniversary Card. Celebrating a Ruby Wedding, the "40th" was created with our Craftwood Numbers. They were coloured with a Red "Sharpie". Sharpies are good pens for colouring, they provide good strong colour..... & they colour anything, the metal post of the "Heart Pin" was also coloured with the Sharpie, to compliment the Ruby themed background. The Glitter effect was created with "Stickles" glue, colour "Candy Cane".

The next step is to glue your papers to all the shapes, front and back. For the sample I used "Mod Podge" or use a glue of your choice.

I applied as many added embellishments, (as shown below), as I could whilst the project was still flat. Then slotted the pieces together and added the Tag & Bow.



The Tag was also coloured front & back with the Sharpie pen. The word "With Love" was coloured with a clear Gelly "Stardust" pen. On the back of the Tag I've attached a printed message :-)

All the sections of the Vase make perfect little areas to create little scenes. I've attached Buttons (of course!), fussy cut Lanterns from the paper collection, added Flowers, Gems... loads of possibilities! Create other Anniversary themes Silver for 25 years, Gold for 50.....







Another view of the Vase above  
and finally the finished project shown  
to the right :-)



A completely different effect was achieved by using a Mixed Media technique to decorate the Flower Pot. Assemble the piece first then give the whole piece 2 coats with Gesso. I have also applied 2 coats to 4 40mm Paper Flowers and 4 small Silk Leaves, back & front.

Next using a range of Stamps I have stamped all sides of the assembled Pot.







For the next step I inked around all the edges of the flower Pot, using a small piece of sponge to ink in the areas the stamp would not fit. To protect the leaves from the ink I first covered the top part with scraps of card.

Now for the top. Using hot glue, stick 1 of each of the flowers between each of the 4 sections at the top & 1 leaf each side on the 2 leaf sections as shown right.



Using a variety of different sprays by Lindy's Stamp Gang and a Tattered Angel Glimmer Mist I sprayed the top leaves and flower head in the relevant areas, building up layers of colour and drying between each layer. Again to protect the Plant Pot I covered each of the sides temporarily with scrap card.

Once the spraying is complete, using a paint brush, touch up the leaves with "Silks Acrylic Glaze" colour "Pretty Peridot". The Bird was brushed with a little acrylic blue paint mixed with Twinkling H2O's in "Mediterranean". And finally with a dry brush dab Gesso on areas to highlight them.





The Tag was also covered in 2 coats of Gesso & inked .  
The Mini Letters have also been coated with 2 coats and then stamped with a "Script" stamp.  
Again you could add a printed sentiment on the back of the Tag to add a special & personal touch.



Below showing one view of the decorated Pot



The Beauty of the 3D Projects is they look great from so many different angles



And, finally below, the completed project :- ) Which would look absolutely perfect in a Shabby Chic interior.

