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LOVE BLOCKS!



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About me: I am a mom of 3 rambunxious children who have crafty minds to no end. They keep me on my toes and keep me crafting! I love to design & decorate my home. I'm an artist, crafter, and I sew!

Project skill level: easy

Project time: 1 hour to 2 hours

Project tags: Anniversary Family Home

Décor/Accents Vintage Wall Décor/Wreaths/Banners Valentine's Day Bridal Shower Wedding Feminine Classic Trendy Engagement Kids Teen Country Love Notes/Cards Love Layouts HolidayDécor Playful

These are some fun blocks to make for Valentines day! I made some of these with a group of 8 year old kids and it was a hit!



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Cricut® Alphabet cartridge



Cricut Expression® 2

OTHER MATERIALS NEEDED

card stock (pink white red)

Ink for edges

Acrylic Paint

Glue

2x2 wood blocks

STEP 1

If you can't find 2x2 inch blocks, cut a 4x4 inch post (found at hardware store) into 8 2x2 inch blocks.



2x2 inch blocks, ready to paint!

STEP 2

Cut at least 5 hearts, I used 6 - 1" hearts and 5 - 1/4" hearts. Cut One: I, L, U, !, V and 2 X's and 3 O's. Use different colors and make sure they contrast with your paints.

STEP 3

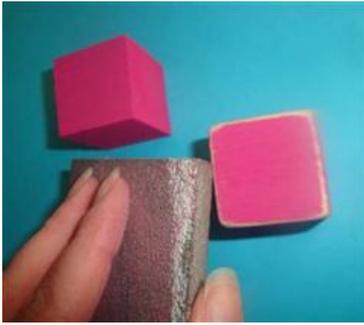
Paint 2 blocks Pink and 2 blocks white. Don't paint too thick, it will make sanding a little more difficult.. however, for good color, you will want to make sure to paint it thick enough.



2x2 inch blocks, ready to paint!

STEP 4

Sand all of the edges of the blocks. A sanding block works well, though any semi-harsh sandpaper will do. Try different directions to add effect.



Sanded edges make it more rustic



All sanded up!

STEP 5

Layout the cutouts and plan ahead.. there's nothing worse than changing your mind after gluing - or even worse, making a mistake and gluing down the cutout in the wrong place!



practice the layout of the die cuts before
gluing

STEP 6

Use an ink pad along the edges of the paper to add depth and special effect! I used Dew Drop fast drying pigment ink Brilliance in crimson copper.



Inking the edges of the die cuts, adds
depth and personality

STEP 7

Glue down each cutout. *Pick a side to be the top and the bottom. Glue the first phrase across the fronts of all blocks, then turn left and choose the 2nd phrase and so on.. Doing it this way makes it so you only need turn the blocks to see the next image - and prevents it from getting scratched from stacking or moving them.* A tip I used to keep the paper from curling and lifting, was to hold it down for a few seconds and then face it down and let the block apply the even pressure for about a minute.



4 ways to say I love you!

STEP 8

Mix and match and have fun displaying your project!



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