



BEAUTIFUL ELEGANT LANTERNS



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About me: I took to card making as I developed crps and it is excellent therapy for my hand

Project skill level: [easy](#)

Project time: 1 hour to 2 hours

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The lovely lanterns are all made using the same basic design, the Butterfly lanterns, the Wonderland lanterns etc. The gold velum gives a rich colour, perfect for for showing off the butterflies, but also great for both Chinese New Year and Christmas lanterns. The lanterns are perfect as table decorations, or for summer evenings and barbecues. The lanterns are made with the Elegant lantern pattern and for the butterfly lanterns I have added butterflies and swirls from Picturesque. I've made these Butterfly lanterns for a friend's birthday present, she loves her garden and sitting out at night. I think these lanterns will be pretty in her garden. I'm gave her a set of three, One large Butterfly lantern and two small butterfly lanterns. I made the Chinese New Year lantern using the same basic design as the Christmas and summer lanterns.

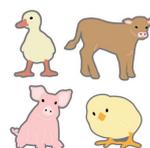
CRICUT®: WHAT WAS USED



[Picturesque Cartridge](#)



[Cricut Mini Personal Electronic Cutter](#)



[Barnyard Babies Digital Set](#)

OTHER MATERIALS NEEDED

Christmas Red or Blue ice pattern card

yellow tissue paper

battery operated tea lights

Double sided tape

yellow velum

STEP 1

Step One: For both of the butterfly lanterns you start the same. See step 7 for the Halloween, Chinese New Year and Christmas variations. Set the measurement to the size you require, for the smaller lanterns I set it at 6.5 inches, for the bigger lantern I set it at 8.5 inches. Load each part of the Elegant Lantern, one of each shape onto individual layers.

STEP 2

Step 2: Set the measurement to 0.5 inches for the smaller lantern and 1.5 inches for the larger lantern. Add Four of the Acanths2 swirls to the corner of the lattice layer. To do this one is positioned as it loads onto the mat. One is flipped horizontally and placed onto the lattice. One is flipped vertically and placed onto the lattice. The final Acanths2 is flipped horizontally and then vertically and place on the lattice.

STEP 3

Step 3: This is where the two butterfly lanterns vary. For the lantern with the large butterfly set the measurement to 3 inches and add the Butterfly from the Basic Picturesque to the centre of the lattice layer. For the lantern with the small butterflies, rather than adding the large butterfly, set the measurement to 0.5 inches and add three Butterfly from the Blackout onto the lattice.

STEP 4

Step 4: Cut 4 of the lattice layers (either the 3 small butterfly lattice or the one large butterfly lattice depending which lantern you are making. I suppose you could have a combination of 2 of each of the lattice side for each lantern, but I stuck to having all 4 sides the same for my lantern). Cut 4 of the inlay for the lantern, either use velum, this cuts easily on the cricut or cut by hand if using the tissue paper. Cut 2 of the lids per lantern (one for the lid and one for the base).

STEP 5

Step 5: With the double sided tape stick on the velum or tissue paper to the inside of the 4 lattice sides. Then stick the sides of the lattice shapes to make a box. Folder in the edge of the tops, place on double tape. Place one on the bottom of the cube and one on the top.

STEP 6

Step 6: If placing on the ground or on a table, place the lantern over the a tea light. To hang add string to the top. Place the tea light on the inside of the cube on top of the base, you could use more than one if required, but the base of the cube gives a nice shelf on which to put the tea light(s).

STEP 7

For the Halloween lanterns set measurement to 8 inches. On layer one - load the elegant lantern then add the skeleton and bats 1.5 inches. Christmas lanterns set measurement to 8 inches. On layer one - Load the elegant lantern then add Reindeer and load Wonderland 1.5 inches. Stick together as described for previously for the butterfly lanterns, use velum or crepe paper. Velum is strong and less likely to tear. For Chinese New Year lanterns set the same measurement 8 inches. On one layer laid the elegant lantern then add a horse and load New Year 1.5 inches. Stick together as described for lanterns in previous steps.

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