

Grafix Valentine

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Create some beautiful valentines to hang in your window, using alcohol inks with Grafix Clear Dura-Lar and Red Metallic Foil Board

Supplies:

Ranger/Tim Holtz Alcohol Inks:
Flamingo, Coral, Wild Plum,
Pink Sherbet, Gilded Alloy
Smolder Alcohol Pearl,
Deception Alcohol Pearl
Alcohol Lift Ink
Ranger Alcohol Blending Solution
Felt pads
Ranger/Tim Holtz Alcohol Ink Air Blower (or
straw)
Ranger/Tim Holtz Alcohol Ink Applicator Tool
Simon Says Stamp Old Letter (any lettering
background stamp)
Heat Tool
Scissors
Pencil
Scrap Paper
Hole Punch
Ribbon (I use hand dyed)
Bubblewrap
paper towel
Double sided adhesive or glue



Directions:

1. Begin the project by applying alcohol inks to the Grafix Dura Lar sheets. On one sheet, use wild plum, flamingo, and pink sherbet inks. Drip inks onto the sheet, add blending solution to mix the inks, and heat set it to hold. (just a few seconds will do) (V1)
2. Next, add some gilded ink (gold) with the ink applicator. Put a few drops onto the felt, add some blending solution and pounce on the inked area. Make puddles of purple ink, and blow directly into them to push the ink outward. (V2, V3)
3. On the second sheet of Dura Lar, use red inks (coral and deception). Once again add splatters of ink and blending solution and heat set the design you like. Pounce on some gilded ink with the felt applicator (see step 2). Heat set. (V4, V5, V6)
4. Now it's time to start the frames. On one sheet of Grafix Red Metallic Foil Board, apply gilded and wild plum ink. Blend with the felt applicator and blending solution. Once dry, ink the stamp with the Alcohol Lift ink and stamp the background. Buff off the inked areas with a cloth or paper towel to reveal a subtle stamped design. (V7, V8, V9)



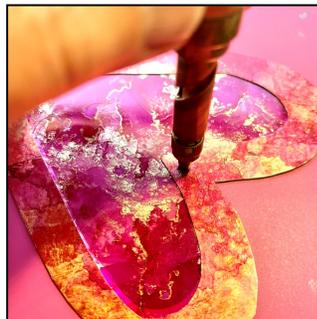
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5. On the second sheet of the red foil board, add drops of gilded ink, and stamp over with a sheet of bubble wrap. Add Deception ink to the bubble wrap and stamp a second layer. (V10)
6. Make your own heart templates by folding a paper in half and cutting out a heart shape. Use a pencil and draw on the back of the foil sheets and cut out the hearts. (V11, V12)
7. Once all hearts are cut out, go back to your heart template and cut another heart inside of it to create a frame. Use two frames to sandwich the clear sheet between. Use double sided tape or glue to hold together. (V13, V14)
8. Use a hole punch or awl to make holes at the top of each heart for the ribbon. (V15)
9. Add ribbons to the top of each heart for hanging. I like to hand dye my own ribbon to use, but any pretty ribbon will work. (V16)
10. Your valentines are ready to hang in a sunny window. The sunlight gives a stained glass effect to the hearts, with pretty inked patterns inside the frames. (V17, V18, V19)



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