

How to Guide 03

How to make an Edwardian Beauty greeting card

This project brief will guide you step-by-step so that you can create your own lovely 'Edwardian Beauty' card using embellished stickers, pretty vintage seam binding, petticoat netting and everyday ephemera.

Your 'Edwardian Beauty' could also be mounted and framed to make a home décor item.

Enjoy - and please share your creations with me at:

www.lookwhatjacqmade.co.uk



Materials

- 7 x 5 inch card blank
- Kraft / neutral cardstock (11cm x 9cm x 2)
- Paper / ephemera (10cm x 8cm) (I like to use old books, sheet music, insides of envelopes and the like but you can use anything that you have to hand)
- Vintage seam binding (or ribbon if you prefer)
I source my seam binding from The Ribbon Girl www.ribbongirl.co.uk
- Tracing paper / vellum (if you want to stamp wing motifs)
- Clear/rubber stamp with butterfly or wing image (mine are by Cart-Us from Hobby Craft) www.hobbycraft.co.uk
- Brilliance ink in Starlite Silver or Galaxy Gold to stamp wing images
- Vintage Edwardian lady stickers or any other images you may have. I sourced mine for a few pounds from discount book store The Works www.theworks.co.uk
- Petticoat netting (from your haberdashery store)
- Tape / glue roller or double sided tape
- Scissors
- Paper trimmer, guillotine or craft knife and cutting mat
- Bone folder



1 Use a bone folder to crease a 7 x 5 inch card blank.



2 Select an image. I'm using a pretty embellished cardstock sticker set I picked up in 'The Works' for a few pounds. You could use any image you have instead.



3 I'm going to use this 'Edwardian Beauty'.



4 Use your trimmer to cut two 11cm x 9cm pieces of kraft cardstock. If you want to use a patterned paper instead that is fine.



5 Cut a piece of paper / ephemera to 10cm x 8cm - in this example I am using old sheet music.



6 Use a tape / glue runner or double sided tape to edge around the paper.



7 Centrally mount onto the kraft cardstock.

If you don't want to add a wing motif to your lady go to step 16.



8 Use Brilliance ink in 'Starlite Silver' or 'Galaxy Gold' to stamp a set of wings / butterfly image onto tracing paper or vellum.



9 Carefully cut around your image - if your butterfly has antennae as in this example cut them off.



10 Fold your wings in half so that the stamped image is on the outside.



11 Carefully attach a glue dot to the folded section of the wings.



12 Adhere the wings to the back of your 'Beauty'. I like to use wing images as it just adds a bit of a 'Steampunk' feel to the card.



13 Attach two glue dots to the bottom and middle of your image and adhere centrally to the prepared base.



14 Add a sticky foam pad to the back of the lady's head to give a bit of dimension.



15 Detail of the 'winged beauty'.



16 Select a piece of vintage seam binding to wrap around the card.

You can use ribbon or lace if you prefer.



17 In this case I went for the Tile Blue option,



18 Run a short strip of tape / glue toward the bottom of your lady image.



19 Adhere the seam binding.



20 Turn image over and wrap and knot the binding on the front - this can be a bit fiddly so if you have a spare person who you can borrow a finger from do! (my cats are no use for this step!)



21 Your lady will now look like this.



22 Choose a complimentary colour of petticoat netting - I've chosen a chestnut brown.



23 Lay your image on the net and cut around.



24 Apply glue dots to the back of the kraft cardstock and lay the netting over the top and press down to adhere.



25 Apply glue dots to the second piece of kraft cardstock that you cut earlier.



26 Place this on top of the net to 'sandwich' it into place - this will make sticking the lady to your card much easier!



27 Your 'net sandwich' will look like this from the back.

If your net looks uneven trim around with scissors to neaten before next step.



28 Run tape / glue around the edge of the kraft card stock.



29 Place your beauty onto the card blank that you folded in step 1.



30 Trim the seam binding.



31 Ta - Da!

Your 'Edwardian Beauty' is complete - well done.

Cup of tea and a biscuit time me thinks!

Postage note: If you plan to send your card through the post do consider wrapping in tissue / bubble wrap and placing in an envelope a size larger for protection. If your card is to be posted in the United Kingdom you will need a **Large Letter** stamp due to the thickness of the finished card.