

Cut Paper Diamonds

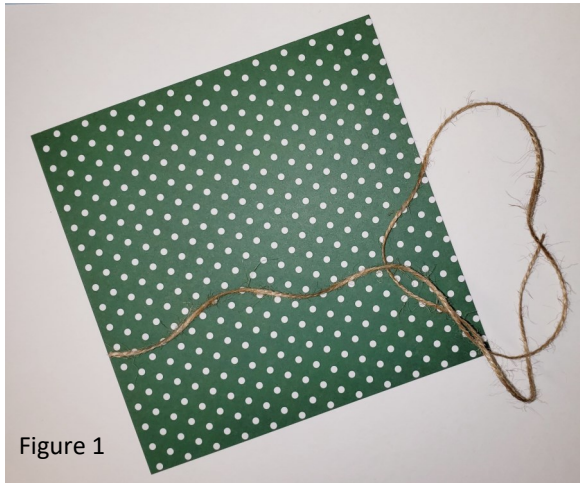


Figure 1

Included in your kit are:

- * 1 6x6 cardstock sheet

- * Ribbon

You will need to supply:

- * Scissors

- * Pencil

- * Hole punch (optional)



Figure 2

Place your cardstock finished side up. Fold in half to form a rectangle by bringing the bottom edge up to the top edge.

Arrange the cardstock so that the fold is facing you (Figure 2).

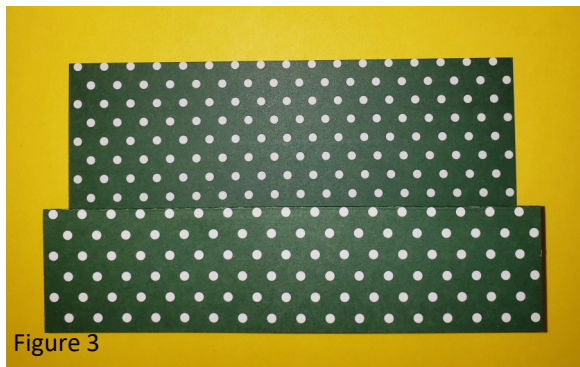


Figure 3

Bring the top edge of the first layer of cardstock down to evenly meet the folded edge that is facing you and press to create a sharp crease (Figure 3). Flip your cardstock piece over with the original fold still facing you and repeat the previous step with the topmost layer.

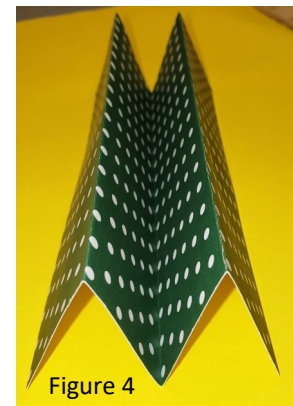


Figure 4

The square of cardstock should now look like a folded letter "M" with the finished side facing outward as seen in Figure 4.

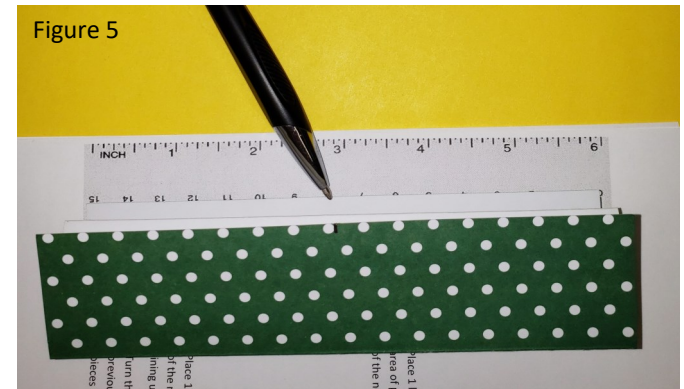


Figure 5

Using the printed ruler at left, line up the cardstock rectangle so the 2 folds (or 2 points of the "M") are facing you. One edge of the rectangle should meet the beginning of the ruler and the opposite edge should meet the 6" mark. Make a mark at the middle or 3" point (shown by the pencil point in Figure 5). Draw a line from the middle point to each opposite corner of the rectangle, forming a triangle as shown in Figure 6. Cut along the lines and through all layers of cardstock to form 2 diamond shapes. The leftover triangular pieces may be discarded.

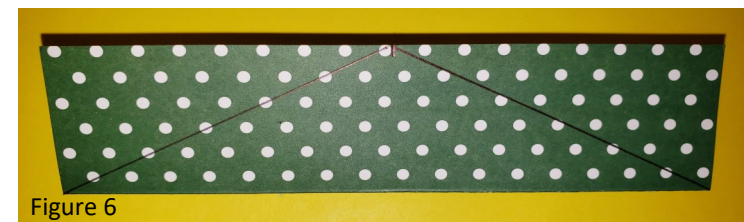


Figure 6

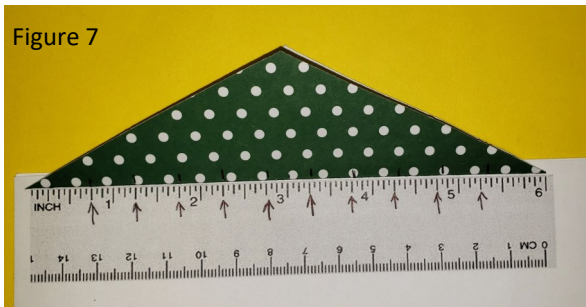


Figure 7

Take one of your diamond shapes and refold to form a triangle. Line up the folded edge along the ruler at left with the center of the folded edge lined up at the 3" mark. Use your pencil to make small marks every 1/2" along the fold

starting 1/4" from the middle mark. You should have marks at 1 1/4", 1 3/4", 2 1/4", 2 3/4", 3 1/4", 3 3/4", 4 1/4", and 4 3/4". Make small vertical lines from the marks that stop approximately 1/4" away from the outer slanted edge. Use your scissors to carefully cut along your straight lines, stopping 1/4" from the edge.



Figure 8

Remove a triangular shape from either end of the folded triangle by making a cut along the outer slanted edge approximately 1/4" in and continuing until you meet the cut from the outermost vertical marking (Figure 8).



Figure 9

The remaining vertical cuts should form 3 rectangular shapes. Carefully pull the rectangular pieces to the back of the ornament and fold along the ends of the cuts as shown in Figure 9. Cut your twine in half and using 1 piece, loop through one of the triangular cut ends and knot to form a hang cord. You should have a 2nd diamond shape left over from the initial steps and the remaining twine to make a 2nd ornament.



Your ornament is ready for hanging.

Don't have a kit or want to make more? You will need:

- * *6" square of cardstock*
- * *24" piece of twine*
- * *Pencil*
- * *Scissors*
- * *Ruler*