

JND439 - Eucalyptus & JND444 Bubble Flower – 1 May 2024 - by John Lockwood



Instructions compiled by June Smith.

John has created a 'You Tube' video dated 1st May 2024, using the above dies, I have incorporated this in this set of Instructions. I would advise that you visit it as well as following these instructions through to the end before commencing the project.

June's Tips: This applies to any die, place your pieces onto your cutting plate at an angle, this helps to cut the dies in one pass. Also use your glue eraser to remove any unwanted marks.

Information:

The bubble flower plate has been designed to work with the new Bubble frame, we have used this set to make the mat and layers for our card today, (see separate instructions).

Bubble Frame Die Information:

Die 1 – Outer stitched Square with inner Stitched Circle (a circle into a square) – gap of ½” on all 4 sides, this fits perfectly with all the other frame dies from JND.

Dies 2 – 5 Inner 4 bubble corners, can be cut as corners or put together to make a beautiful bubble cross pattern. The corners from the Delicate frame set will fit perfectly inside this set.

Die 6 – Plain Cutting Circle (can create a 2nd layer on your card)

Die 7 – Large rotating spray of Bubbles

Die 8 – Inner bubble small Circle

Die 9 – Inner rotating spray of Bubbles



Materials:

6" x 6" Top Folding White Card Blank
JND439 Eucalyptus Leaves (6)
JND444 Bubble Flower Plate
JND443 Bubble Frame (9)
Essential Coconut White Card
Essential Apple Green card
Gold Lime Fusion Ink
Fusion FX, Special Effect Ink Pad – Yellow Pearl (coming soon)
Embossing Folder (coming soon)
CA Clear Dew Drops
Die Cutting Machine
3M Permanent Spray Adhesive Display Mount
Craft Artist Super Tacky Glue
Glue Glaze
2mm Foam Tape
Clear Dew Drops
Craft Kit

Method:

Leaves:

- We will start with our Eucalyptus leaves, tape them down well onto a piece of Apple card, we don't want to have the dies move as that is the only way you can damage a die. Run these through your die cutting machine, then keeping them in the dies we need to slide the card onto a magnetic sheet and carefully remove the tapes that are holding them in place, because we want to add Lime Fusion ink through the dies. Take your blending brush, pick up some of the Lime and holding the edge of each die go over the middle of the leaves, you may find that for the tiny leaves you would not see much colour so hold them in the air and just brush lightly over the edge to shade them. Remove the dies and wipe off the ink, then place them back onto a magnetic sheet for storage. Then when we look at the leaves you can see the beautiful 2 colour design on them.



Flowers:

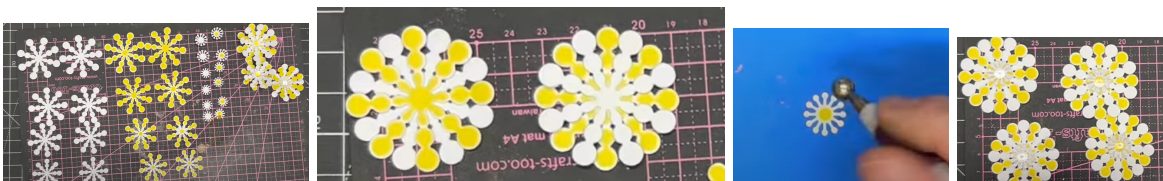
- We will cut 2 sets of the flowers out, one in plain white and one in white with a new yellow Fusion FX ink pad (coming soon) colouring through them. This is the way we do the coloured ones.
- Take an A4 sheet of Coconut White card and using your guillotine or trimmer cut it in half at $5\frac{3}{4}$ " x $5\frac{3}{4}$ ", then cut one of the pieces the other way at $4\frac{1}{8}$ " we can then tape down our Bubble flower plate onto it, this is the size for all

John's flower plates, and run through your die cutting machine, turn it over to check that it has all cut out, if you find that it has not cut all of them you could run it through again with a shim on the back, or if you are using an A4 machine just turn it once and run it through again. Then drop the dies still in the card straight onto your magnetic sheet as we did before because we are going to add fusion to the inside of these flowers.

- John is using the new Fusion FX, Special Effect Ink Pad – Yellow Pearl (coming soon) to go over the outside of the Bubble flower whilst still in the die. This is a yellow ink with a darker yellow pearl in it, the colour is absolutely stunning, it has been designed to work on dark colours like black, red, mauve, blues etc. whereas the normal pearl Fusion are design to go onto white card. When you take the flowers out of the die use your pokey tool but go from the outside of the flower towards the middle, as you don't want to tear the petals out of the die.



- For speed John has already prepared the 2 sets of flowers and layered them out onto a board, one in yellow and the other in white. We will use glue glaze to put them together. Add glue glaze into the centre of a white and add a yellow of the same size offset onto it, then do the opposite so a yellow base with a white offset on the top. You need to repeat this for all the flowers in size order.



- For the centres, bring in a CA blue moulding foam mat, add the middle centres onto them and using your ball tool just scribble in the middle to cup them all.
- Bring in the clear dew drops and lay them onto your mat, so they are the right way up, there is a domed area and a flat area on them, you need the flat side down. Using glue glaze add one into the centre of each of the flowers, use your pick up tool to add this into the middle of a flower so that the colours are alternate colour layers, then when you have finished them add glue glaze into the centre of the flower and add your Dew drop onto it, because you have cupped the centre flower they will fit in snugly. It is recommended that you use glue glaze as this is almost instant, if you used wet glue it could take up to 24 hours to dry.
- As we have used Glue Glaze you can then pick each flower up and manipulate/shape the petals if it had been wet glue you could not do this until they are dry.

- John had them layered up his card blank with a layer of spring green, then white, not sure if he has added another white which has been embossed (new EF coming soon) or if the white layer has been embossed.
- Then from white card he has used a stitched square die and the stitched circle die from the Bubble set and cut them together, then from an offcut of the spring green card he has cut out a square slightly smaller than the white stitched square and added the circle die 6 from the Bubble frame set into the middle, and cut this out, then when they are layered up it should look as follows:
- Then using wet glue add the leaves and flowers onto the bottom left-hand side of the circle, for the 2 smaller leaves add these anywhere that you think there is a gap. For the 2 tiny ones again add wet glue to the bottom of the leaf and these in between the flowers as this is how they grow.



- Finally, as the original one below, add a few clear dew drops from the top left down to the bottom right of the card.



I hope you have enjoyed these instructions.