

Green & White Fresh Birthday Card using JND588 & JND593 - by John Lockwood



Instructions by June Smith

John has created a 'You Tube Video' dated 12th April 2026, using JND593 Swirl Birthday die set and JND588 Santa Fe die set, where he demonstrates how to make this beautiful Green & White card above. It is absolutely perfect for any occasion at all, so it is very versatile. I would advise that you visit it as well as following these instructions.

Information:



Materials:

7" x 7" Top Folding Card Blank
JND593 Swirl Birthday Die (2)
JND588 Santa Fe Die set (4)
JND486 Moroccan Tile Embossing Folder
Essential Coconut White Card
Canvas Card – using 3 different shades from the Green Range
3M Craft Mount Spray Adhesive
Die Cutting Machine
Craft Kit

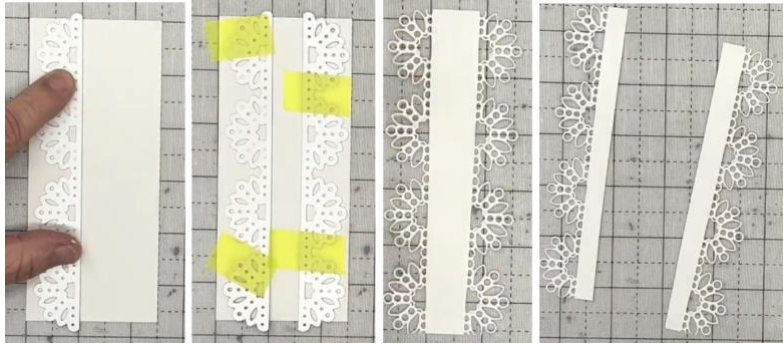
Method:

- First of all, we are going to concentrate on how to make a 3 colour version of the Happy Birthday when there is only 2 dies in total. Take a scrap piece of Coconut White card and tape down the inside die, then run through your die

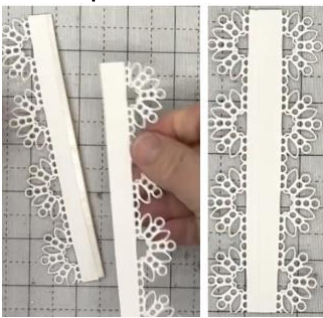
cutting machine. When we remove the die you can see that you get 2 pieces cut out, you get this outline piece and also a fine line piece, remove the waste from this piece, or save the pieces if you wanted to paper piece them into another coloured version of the Happy Birthday, but we are not doing that today. There is a little trick with this die so take 2 different scrap pieces of green canvas card and glue them together then tape down your die and run through your die cutting machine. Then John has pushed on the same release pieces with his 4-in-1 tool to reveal one solid piece with the outline fine tracery line that the Birthday fits in being impressed into there as well. John is then placing the thin white sentiment into his spray box and add 3M glue onto the back then you can just drop this onto the front of the green Happy Birthday. Then take the outline die and cut this out from a darker green card, you could just add the white sentiment onto this, but we are not doing that, we are going to add the white sentiment over the lighter green card to give you this beautiful triple layer idea, so add wet glue onto the back of the lighter green sentiment panel and add onto the darker background to get this perfect triple colour sentiment. What a clever Idea John, I like this.



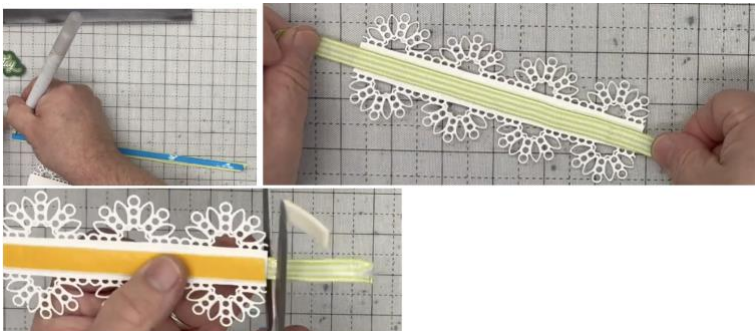
- We can now start to make more of our base card. Cut a piece of coconut white card cut to 5¾" long x 2½" wide and place this evenly onto your multi-media mat. We then want to tape down the 2 edger dies from the Santa Fe die set; the ends of the dies will hang over a little bit but that is fine, then run this through your die cutting machine. You can then see how the inside piece is slightly wider at the top, but this doesn't matter because we are going to cut this piece in half using a pair of large scissors, don't worry you will not see this on the finished card.



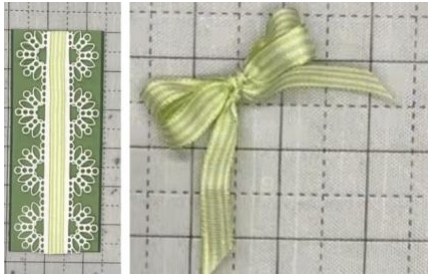
- Take a long piece of foam tape and add this onto the back of one strip so that it over-hangs slightly down the side, then place this so that the yellow strip is face down on your table and take the other strip and pop it over the top using the lines on your mat to get it an even distance at the top and bottom and press this down.



- Then take a long piece of light green and white striped ribbon and lay this onto your mat, then add double sided blue powertape down the middle keeping the ribbon straight, we need the ribbon to be longer than your patterned strip and snip off the end. Then using your 4-in-1 tool remove the blue covering from the tape and lay this down the middle of your strip so you have covered up the seam. Then turn this over and snip off the excess ribbon at both ends.



- Then take 2 pieces of the same green canvas card that we used on the sentiment panel, these have been cut to the same length $5\frac{3}{4}$ " x $2\frac{7}{8}$ " for the darker green and the lighter green has been cut slightly thinner at $5\frac{3}{4}$ " x $2\frac{3}{4}$ " then layer these up one on top of the other, then add your ribboned strip onto the front. Then using more of the same ribbon make a little double bow we will add this on later.



- Bring in your 7" x 7" Top folding card blank and add a coconut white layer at 6" x 6" then the dark green layer at 6¹/₈" x 6¹/₈" light green layer at I think this is 6¹/₁₆ x 6¹/₁₆ . You can check these measurements once you have the die.



- Then take a 5¹/₂" of coconut white card and emboss this with the Moroccan Tile embossing folder. Then add a strip of foam tape onto the back, remove the yellow backing and add this onto your top folding card base. Then take your main strip and add foam tape onto the back down both sides, reveal the foam tape and using the lines on your media mat to get it centred, add this down the middle of your card.



- Then bring back in your bow and using a little bit of 3d glue gel and a cocktail stick add the bow onto the top of your strip, and also 3 little blobs onto the back of your sentiment then adding this across the middle of your card.





Your creation is now complete. I hope you have enjoyed these instructions.

Helen Jones sample card for John on the right hand side, very clever Helen.

