

Rainbow Butterfly Card with JND612 Vicenza Dies - by John Lockwood



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John has created a 'You Tube Video' dated 23rd May 2026, using the JND612 Vicenza dies where he demonstrates how to make this beautiful, colourful butterfly card above. This is the first release from our summer 2026 collection. We will be using the Canvas Co-ordination Card though out the card. To colour the card, we will be using the fabulous CA222 Watercolour Brush Pens to make a beautiful rainbow background. I would advise that you visit it as well as following these instructions.

Information:

JND612 Vicenza (7)



Die 1: Fancy Looped Square

Die 2: Plain Square Cutting die

Die 3: 5" x 5" Main Butterfly Vicenza with no outside cutting edge

Die 4: Stitched Circle

Die 5: Detailed Butterfly die

Dies 6 & 7: Outline Plain Butterfly dies

Materials:

7½" x 7½" Top Folding Card Blank

JND612 Vicenza Die (7)

CAT222 CA Watercolour Brush Pen Set
Coconut White Card
Canvas Co-ordination Card – Red and Yellow
3M Permanent Spray Adhesive
Die Cutting Machine
Craft Kit

Method:

- We are going to start by making our background, so cut an A5 piece of Coconut White card, which is 8.3" x 5.8". Place this evenly onto your lined mat. What we want to do is to give it a good soaking with our water spray bottle, or you could run it under the tap, because we want the watercolours to sort of almost flood onto it. Turn the card so that it landscape view.



- Bring in your watercolour pens and starting with the red at one end just literally squeezing the top we want to scribble and squeezing the red colour on it. If you are concerned that it is getting a bit dry then squeeze a bit more water onto it. Then take the yellow and you can sort of squeeze the ink to release it, as well as going over the red so that the colour blends across. We will continue adding the different colours and blending them across as you can see on the photos below, spray more water if you feel that it is needed.

Red & Yellow:



Light Green and a Darker Green:



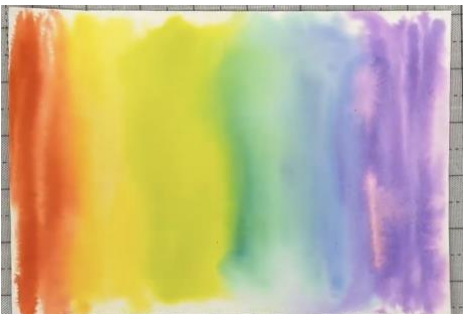
John has then picked up the darker blue and left a space before it and add that colour down. Then he has taken the lighter blue and add that blending from the green across to the light blue and blending that in.



We are then going to finish with the Purple.



- This then needs to be put to one side to dry either on a radiator, out in the sun light, or just on another table, it only takes about 20 minutes or so to dry. Below is one that John made earlier.



- Take another piece of Coconut White card and cut this to 5 $\frac{3}{4}$ " x 5 $\frac{3}{4}$ " then take the Main Vicenza die and tape this down evenly in the middle, then run this through your die cutting machine.



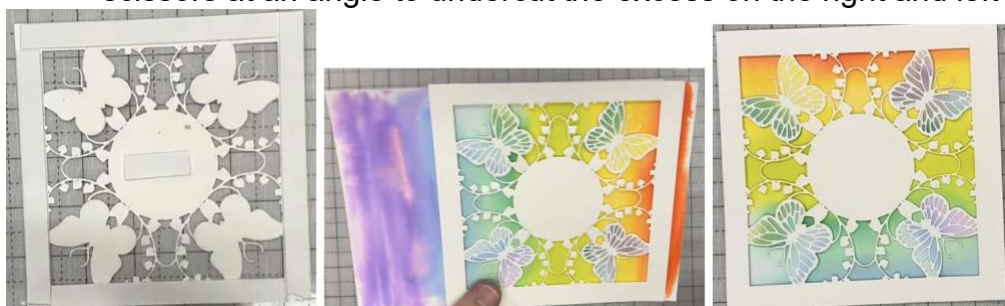
- We then want to cut our butterflies, when John created his coloured piece he used a larger piece of card, so he has that left over and has cut dies 6 & 7 which are the outline plain butterfly dies twice in descending order, this means that he has the offcut piece to make into another card.



- These dies have been designed to fit behind the decorative butterflies in the main die, which we will see next. John places the main die face down in his spray box and add 3M Permanent Spray Adhesive onto the back but trying to get it onto the back of the 4 Butterflies rather than everywhere on the whole piece.
- Then take the beautiful Butterflies and add one onto the back of each of the 4 butterflies, when you turn it over you get this stunning creation with the pastel butterflies floating in the 4 corners.



- Bring in your main coloured piece and position the die cut panel onto it until you are happy with the colours in the background, we can then turn the butterfly piece over and add some of the new CA double sided foam tape around the outside and a small piece on the middle, you will notice that John has sized the main coconut white piece of card we cut out in the beginning, so the foam tape fits perfectly. Reveal the tape and add onto your coloured piece so you have a little bit of the red coming in at the side, then use your scissors at an angle to undercut the excess on the right and left sides.



- John has then made a layer of the Canvas card in 6½" x 6½" Red and 6⅜" x 6⅜" Yellow and added these onto the 7½" x 7½" top folding card blank.

- Add wet glue onto the back of our main piece and add this onto the centre of the card blank.



- Then for the centre of the card take die no: 4 the stitched circle and cut this out of the left over card we inked earlier. Then take die no: 5, the little detailed butterfly and tape this down onto a piece of coconut white card and run through your die cutting machine. Then take your coloured circle and add 2 little bits of foam tape side by side onto the back, remove the backing and add this onto the centre of the card.



- Finally, take your white butterfly and shape it in the middle, then using a bit of glue glaze down the spine of the butterfly and add this onto the centre circle.



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