

JOLLIEST TIME OF THE YEAR

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This class was actually prepared for a Technique Club for Beginning Stampers. In this particular club, the hostess chooses the stamp set we will use. *Jolliest Time of the Year* is a very versatile stamp set featuring Santa, a Christmas Tree and a Snowman (not pictured). It is an excellent choice for someone choosing to build a collection of rubber stamps.

INGREDIENTS:

Stamps:

- Jolliest Time of the Year
- Christmas Greetings

Card Stock:

- Cherry Cobbler
- Real Red
- Garden Green
- Basic Black
- Whisper White

Ink Color:

- Jet Black StazOn
- Cherry Cobbler

Accessories:

- Watercolor Pencils
- Blender Pens
- Gold Gel Pen (purchased from *Michaels*)
- Blush Blossom Stampin' Write Marker
- Basic Black 1¼" Striped Grosgrain Ribbon
- Basic Black ¼" Grosgrain Ribbon
- Dazzling Details
- Neutrals Brads
- Pop Top (from a can of soda)

Cutting Tools:

- Paper Trimmer
- Bone Folder
- Mat Pack
- Paper Piercer
- Paper Snips
- Big Shot
- Finial Press Embossing Folder

Adhesives:

- SNAIL Adhesive
- Stampin' Dimensionals
- Mini Glue Dots
- Scotch Tape

(All supplies are from Stampin' Up unless otherwise indicated.)

Supplies may be ordered from me at ... www.lgammon.stampinup.net

THE SANTA CARDS ...

SANTA #1:



DIMENSIONS:

Using your Paper Trimmer, cut the cardstock as indicated below:

Real Red:

- 5½" x 8½"
- 3½" x 4¾"

Whisper White:

- 4" x 5¼"
- 2¾" x 3½"
- 5¼" x 8¼" (inside)

Basic Black:

- 3¾" x 5"
- 3" x 3¾"

DIRECTIONS:

1. Fold the large pieces of Real Red and Whisper White cardstock in half to form the base and inside of your card. Using SNAIL adhesive, secure the Whisper White piece to the inside of the card by putting two strips of adhesive next to the binding on the top and bottom and securing it inside the Real Red card base. Secure the 4" x 5¼" piece of Whisper White cardstock to the Real Red card base with SNAIL adhesive; set aside.
2. Secure the smallest piece of Real Red (3½" x 4¾") to the largest piece of Basic Black (3¾" x 5"). Take a 5½" to 6" length of Basic Black 1¼" Striped Grosgrain Ribbon and secure to the back of the piece of Basic Black using Scotch Tape. Secure this whole piece to the Whisper White cardstock, which is attached to the Real Red base card using your SNAIL adhesive; set aside.
3. Secure the remaining piece of Whisper White cardstock to the smallest piece of Basic Black cardstock (3" x 3¾") using SNAIL adhesive.
4. Ink the Santa stamp from *Jolliest Time of the Year* with Jet Black StazOn Ink and stamp onto the smallest piece of Whisper White. Color him in using the Blush Blossom Stampin' Write Marker (flesh tones), Gold Uniball Gel Pen, and Watercolor pencils. Then, using the Blender Pens, go over the red and black (where you used the pencils). Secure to the front of the card with Stampin' Dimensionals.
5. Apply Dazzling Details to the trim of Santa's hat and coat ... to make him "sparkly" and let dry.

SANTA #2:



DIMENSIONS:

Real Red:	5½" x 8½"
Basic Black:	3" x 3¾"
Whisper White:	2¾" x 3½"
	5¼ x 8¼" (inside)

DIRECTIONS:

1. Fold the large pieces of Real Red and Whisper White cardstock in half to form the base and inside of your card. Do **not** insert the white piece yet! ☺
2. Take a 5½" to 6" length of Basic Black ¼" Grosgrain Ribbon and thread it through the "pop top"; then secure to the back of the piece of Basic Black using Scotch Tape.
3. Secure the remaining piece of Whisper White cardstock (2¾" x 3½") to the Basic Black cardstock (3" x 3¾") using SNAIL adhesive.
4. Ink the Santa stamp from *Jolliest Time of the Year* with Jet Black StazOn Ink and stamp onto the smallest piece of Whisper White. Color him in using the Blush Blossom Stampin' Write Marker (flesh tones), Gold Uniball Gel Pen (belt buckle), and Watercolor pencils. Then, using the Blender Pens, go over the red and black (where you used the pencils). Secure to the front of the card (as shown) with Stampin' Dimensionals.
5. Using the Mat Pack and Paper Piercing Tool, make small holes on the card base to insert the brads. I do this by placing the grid from the mat pack on top of the cardstock and the foam piece underneath. Line it up with the center of the "pop top". Insert one black brad into each hole and secure.
6. Using SNAIL adhesive, secure the Whisper White piece to the inside of the card by putting two strips of adhesive next to the binding on the top and bottom and securing it inside the Real Red card base.
7. Apply Dazzling Details to the trim of Santa's hat and coat ... to make him "sparkly" and let dry.

O' CHRISTMAS TREE



DIMENSIONS:

Cherry Cobbler:	5½" x 8½"
Garden Green:	4" x 5¼"
	1½" x 5"
Whisper White:	3¾" x 5"
	5¼ x 8¼" (inside)

DIRECTIONS:

1. Fold the large pieces of Cherry Cobber and Whisper White cardstock in half to form the base and inside of your card using a bone folder. Using SNAIL adhesive, secure the Whisper White piece to the inside of the card by putting two strips of adhesive next to the binding on the top and bottom and securing it inside the Cherry Cobbler card base. Secure the 4" x 5¼" piece of Garden Green to the Cherry Cobbler with SNAIL adhesive. Then secure the Whisper White piece to the Garden Green.
2. Ink the Christmas Tree stamp from *Jolliest Time of the Year* with Jet Black StazOn Ink and stamp onto the piece of Whisper White that is on the card base three (3) times. Stamp it two more times on the remaining piece of Whisper White. Color the trees using the Watercolor pencils. Then, using the Blender Pens, go over it to blend the colors. Secure to the front of the card (as shown) with Stampin' Dimensionals.
3. After the trees on the card base have been colored, tear the top of the remaining piece of Garden Green to resemble rolling hills and run through the Big Shot using the Finial Press Embossing Folder. Adhere to the bottom of the Whisper White cardstock using SNAIL Adhesive. Cut out the two remaining Christmas Trees and mount on the card using Stampin' Dimensionals.
4. Ink the "Merry Christmas" stamp from *Christmas Greetings* with Cherry Cobbler and stamp on the top of the card.
5. Apply Dazzling Details to the garland on the trees to make them "sparkly" and let dry.