Elegant Special Occasion Card



This can be used to make an elegant special occasion card with your favorite Designer Series Paper (DSP) from Stampin' Up. The stamp set that I used to create this is a wonderful one to own because it has four stamps with different greetings. You can use them for birthday, wedding, holiday, and thank you cards.

BONUS IDEA: Create this card without the stamped greeting image attached to the front. Then, you can stamp numerous pieces of cut-to-size cardstock with the various greetings included in your stamp set. When an occasion arises, you simply pick the greeting you want and attach it to the front. Now, you are not stuck with a bunch of birthday cards and have to make a thank you card at the last minute.

MATERIALS NEEDED

All materials shown are from Stampin' Up and page numbers are from the 2011-2012 Idea Book & Catalog unless otherwise indicated. My material list is for the Elegant Soiree DSP. If you use a different DSP, you can easily make this work with the coordinating colors. Items can be purchased on my Stampin' Up website: http://denagillis.stampinup.net

- Stamp Set: "Heard from the Heart" (page 167)
- Crumb Cake Classic Stampin' Pad (page 180)
- 8-1/2 x 11 Cardstock: Baja Breeze (page 178), Very Vanilla (page 180), and Crumb Cake (page 180)
- SNAIL Adhesive (page 206)
- Designer Series Paper Elegant Soiree (no longer available)

INSTRUCTIONS

1. Cut a piece of Baja Breeze cardstock in half on the long side. This will produce two pieces of 5-1/2 inch x 8-1/2 inch cardstock.

2. The cardstock should be folded in half to make an 5-1/2 inch x 4-1/4 inch card. An easy way to get an even and straight fold is by using the Simply Scored Scoring Tool from Stampin' Up.

3. Cut a piece of the DSP to be 5-1/2 inch x 4 inch. You can either tear it with your hands or with a tearing edge. If you tear with your hands, a quick tip is to make sure that your fingers are always at the point of the tear. If you just grab it and tear the paper in half, you will not produce a tear that will work with this elegant card. Tear the paper so that it is approximately 3-1/4 inches high (and still 5-1/2 inches wide).

4. Cut a piece of the Crumb Cake cardstock to 5-1/2 inches x 3 inches. An easy way to ensure that you produce a similiar tear to the one on the DSP is to use a small amount of adhesive and attach the Crumb Cake cardstock to the bottom of the DSP leaving about 2 inches of the Crumb Cake at the bottom. Then, firmly hold the paper at the tear point and mirror the tear on the DSP. Tear so that you have approximately 1/4 inch of Crumb Cake cardstock that will produce a shadow-like appearance to the DSP. Once you are happy with the tear, you can add more adhesive.

5. Attach the two layers of torn paper onto the folded piece of Baja Breeze cardstock with adhesive.

6. Cut a 1-1/4 inch x 4-5/8 inch piece of Baja Breeze cardstock and a 4-1/4 inch x 7/8 inch piece of Very Vanilla cardstock.

7. Using the Crumb Cake stamp pad, stamp your greeting onto the piece of Very Vanilla cardstock and attach it to the center of piece of Baja Breeze cardstock.

8. Add your greeting to the front of your card with adhesive or Stampin' Dimensionals (page 206) if you prefer.

PLEASE NOTE: On my card, I used the Elegent Soiree Designer Series Paper which is no longer available. There is a wide variety of Designer Series Paper that is currently available in our catalog. Simply use coordinating colors to produce this elegant card.

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