

# Advance Popup Card

## Cutting & Assembly Instructions



The Christmas Crèche Popup Card is a more advance popup format. There are two layers that nest one within the other. It also contains a stepped roof.

The following is a step by step pictorial tutorial on how to fold and assemble this card. The principles in the tutorial can be applied to other advance popup cards.

Materials used:

2 tan 8.5 x 11 cardstock for stable

1 dark blue 6 x 6 cardstock for sky

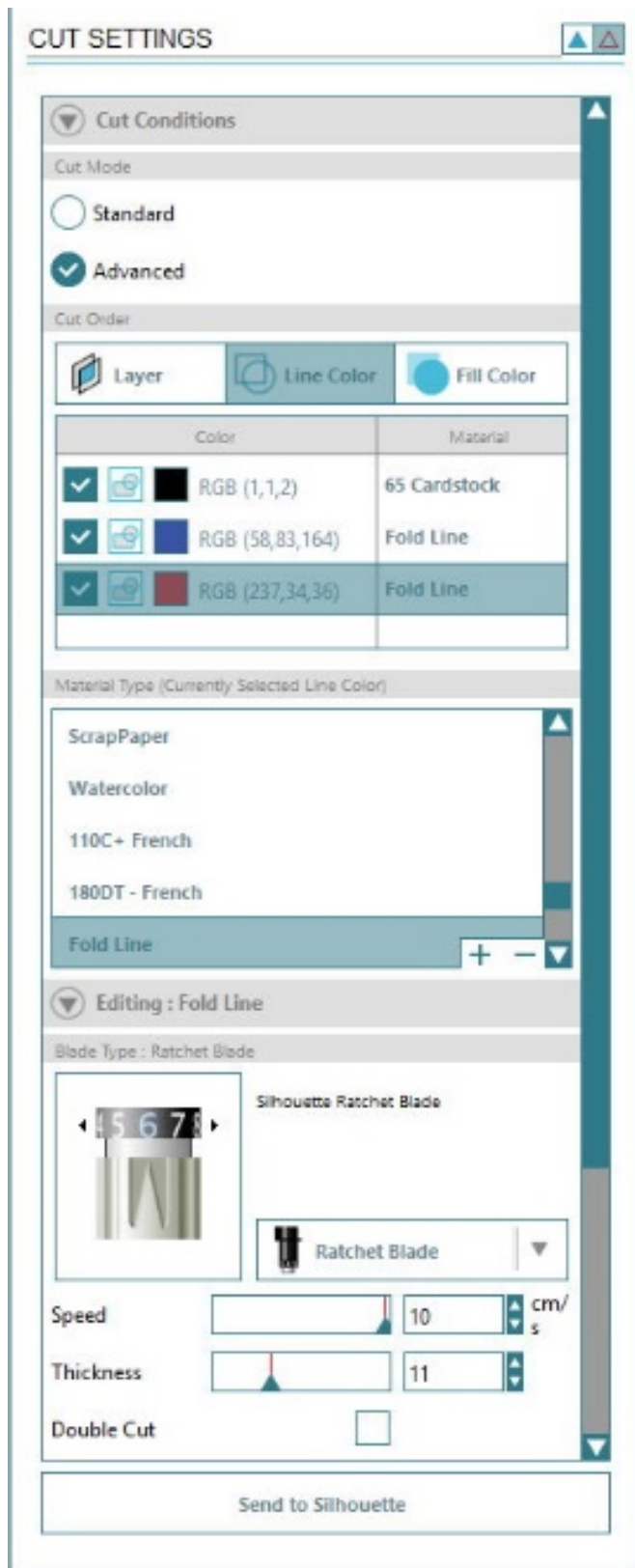
Miscellaneous colored cardstock for animal and nativity

1/8 inch double sided adhesive tape

Zig 2 way felt tip glue pen or other brand

4.25 x 5.5 card for cover (4.25 x 11 inch unfolded)

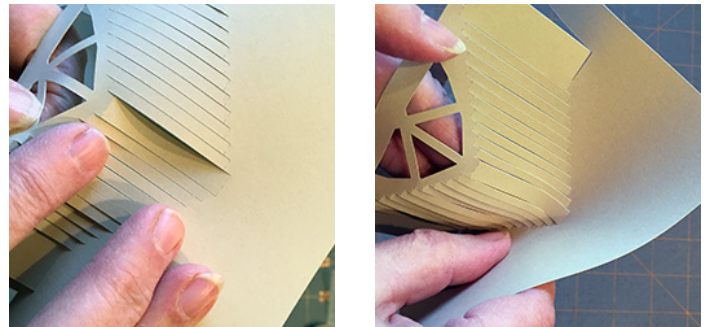
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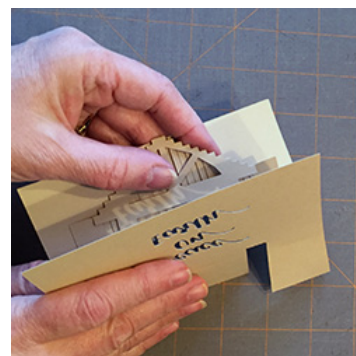
Cut out all piece first using a low pressure setting for the blade on the fold lines so it will not cut completely through the card stock. This will help with the folding and eliminates the use of a folding scoring board.



Start by gently folding the center valley fold and any other longer fold lines.

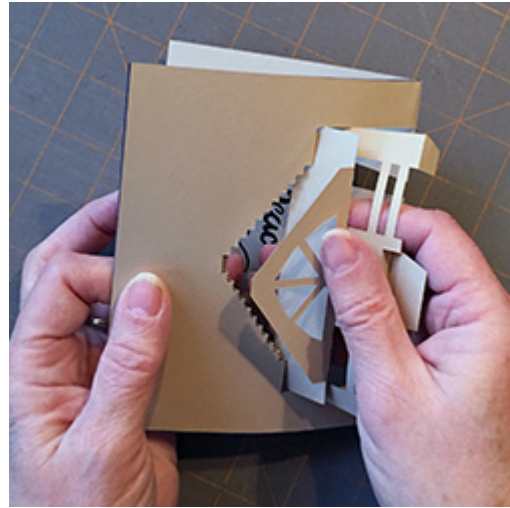


Then using pressure on the stepped roof edges slowly bend the edges until the card base can close.

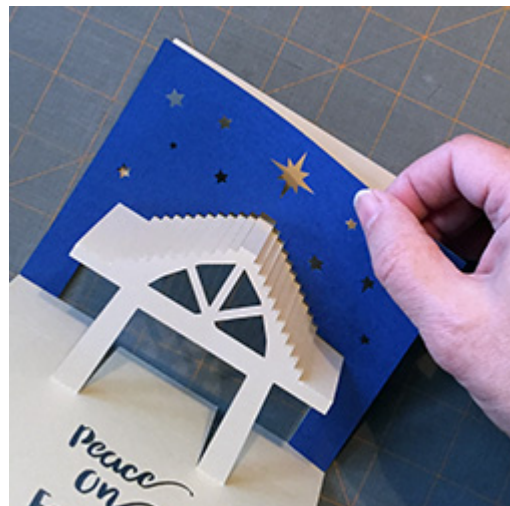
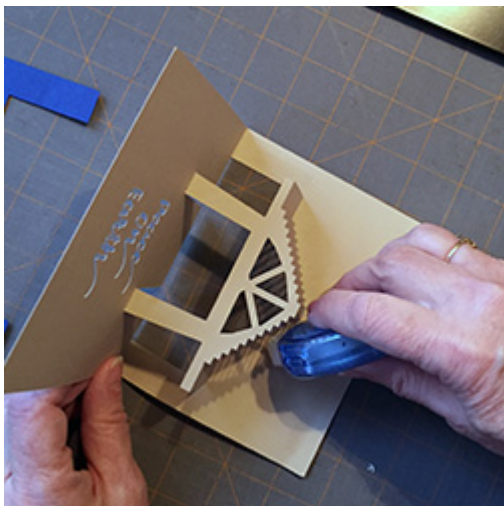




The inner stable piece is a simple valley-mountain fold. The peak nests behind the base opening. There is a roof or floor for the gable. The farm animals are located behind a fenced area. And finally there is a small step to attach the holy family to. Fit this piece by inserting it through the hole in the base before applying glue.

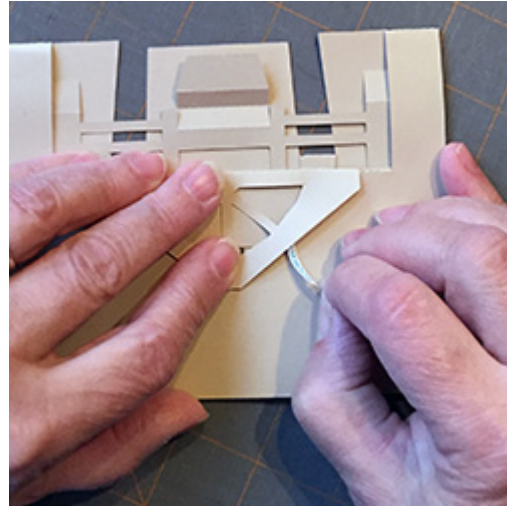


The star filled sky is glued to the base piece so it surrounds the creche. Here I used crafters tape but you can also use double sided adhesive.

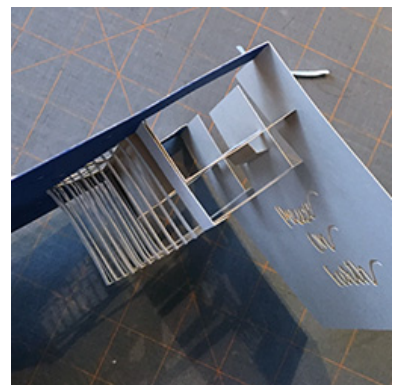
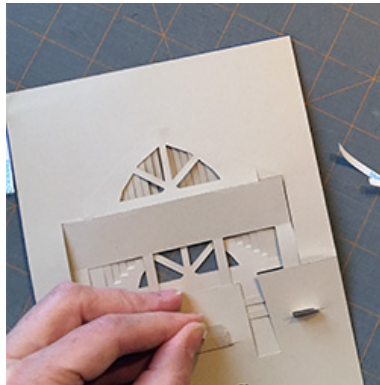




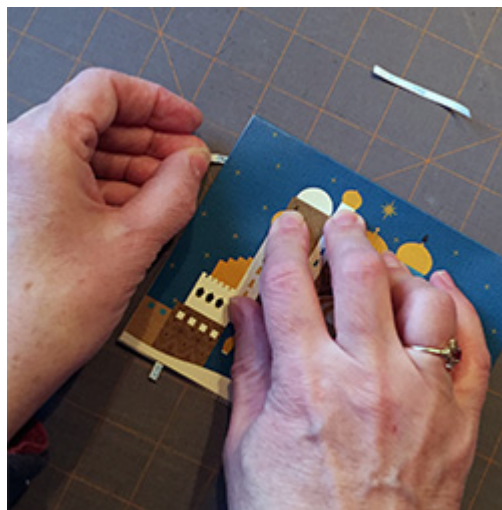
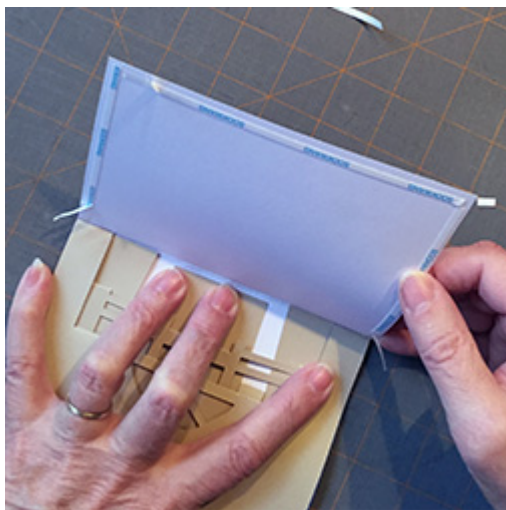
The middle insert can now be glued to the base. Start with the peak. Attach double sided adhesive to the peak edge. Here I use the 1/8 inch size. Keep the backing on but peel back one corner. This allows you to position the piece and gradually pull the backing off to adhere the piece.



Open the card and insert the tabs into the base forming the fenced area and the small step for the holy family. Apply adhesive to the tabs and glue to the underside of the base. Make sure the crèche will close and open properly.



The base can now be glued to the card cover. I have used a blank Christmas card. The simplest way to do this is to use double sided tape on the three sides. Again use the fold the corner of the protective backing so the popup base can be positioned in the cover, folded and the strips removed.



Repeat for the otherside this time do not fold. Instead lay the pieces flat and pull the protective backing off. Fold after and carefully crease.



The animals are made from a silhouette with an outline piece glued to the edge. This may be delicate to cut and assembly. If you have minor tears don't worry. The glue will mend this. I prefer to cut my pieces in mirror images so I can apply the zig glue while the white edged pieces are still on the cutting mat. The back piece can then be laid over the edge piece. Let the glue set before taking off the mat. Do not use a spatula since this could damage the white edge piece. Slowly use your nail or exacto knife to lift.



Make as many animals as you want. The Holy family is glued to the step. The animals are glued anywhere you want. This concludes the tutorial. Enjoy this card.



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