

The Purse Collection

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Tips:

1. These purses can be used as small gift bags. Place a gift card, cosmetics, jewelry, chocolate or candy inside.
2. Use double-sided paper for the main body of the purse to make your purse special both inside and out.
3. To help keep the purse straps stiff and upright, I starched and then ironed the grosgrain on a low setting.

Make the Olive Clutch first to fully understand the principles of making “gusset” bags.

Olive Clutch (6” length x 3” high x 2” deep at bottom)

Supplies: Scor-Pal®, Scor-Tape™, Gold Embossing Powder (Ranger), Old Olive Poly-Twill Ribbon (SU!), Antique Brass Oval Label Holder and Brads (SU!), Green Rhinestone Brad, Sticky Back Velcro Circle, Boho Blossoms Punch (SU!), Photo Corners Punch (SU!), Flexible Curve (Staedtler), Sponge Dauber, Scissors, Ruler, Pencil, Embossing Tool (Marvy)

Stamps: One of a Kind (SU!), Short & Sweet (SU!)

Ink: Versamark (Tsukineko), Old Olive (SU!), Close to Cocoa (SU!)

Card Stock and Paper (all SU!): Bali Breeze DP, Old Olive Textured CS, Certainly Celery CS, Brushed Gold CS (SU!)

Step 1:

Start with a piece of 11” x 12” patterned paper. Place the 12” side of the paper along the top of the Scor-Pal® and score at 3” and 9”.

Step 2:

Place the 11” side of the paper along the top of the Scor-Pal® and score at 3”, 5” and 8”.



Step 3:

Without removing the paper from the previous step, make a pencil mark 1-½” down on the 4” Scor-Pal® groove. Score along the 4” score groove just up to the pencil mark.



Step 4:

Turn the paper 180 degrees. Make a pencil mark 1-½” down on the 7” Scor-Pal® groove. Score along the 7” score groove just up to the pencil mark.



Step 5:

The 1-½” score marks you just made in steps #3 and #4 were made on the center of the flaps that will become the sides of the purse (do NOT cut along this 1-½” score mark). Identify the score marks that are on either side of the 1-½” score lines. Cut down these score marks 3” just until you reach the first score mark. You will need to make 4 cuts (two for each side flap).

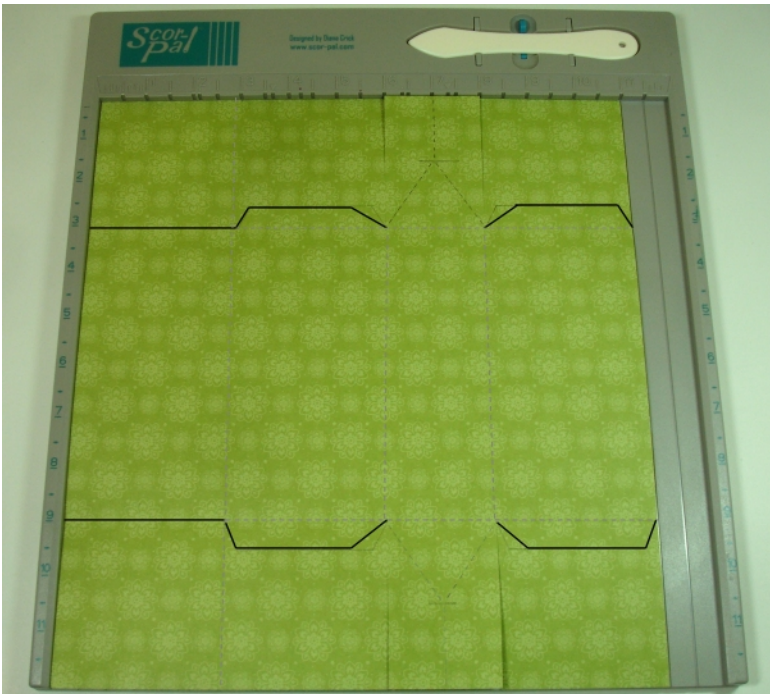


Step 6:

Keep the side flap down on the Scor-Pal® and bend up the adjacent flaps. Align the inside corner of the side flap and the diagonally opposite outside corner along ONE score groove. Score from the inside corner just until you meet the score mark you made in a previous step.

Step 7:

Repeat step 6 for the other inside corner. When you are done the score marks for the side flap should look like a capital 'Y'. *Repeat step 6 and 7 for the other side flap.



Step 8:

To form tabs, cut away the paper as shown. The bold line indicates where to cut. The dashed line indicates where the paper has previously been scored. Cut a sharp angle on the end of the tabs that are next to the side flaps.



Step 9:

Place Scor-Tape™ along tabs as shown.

Step 10:

Use a flexible curve, plate and a pencil to trace a rounded purse flap. Cut along the pencil mark. You could also use a Coluzzle.

Step 11:

Bend patterned paper inwards along score marks..

Step 12:

Remove Scor-Tape™ liner and form purse as shown. The sides will form an upside down “Y” gusset. Use a sticky-back Velcro circle to keep the flap of the purse closed.

Olive Clutch Finishing Details

To finish off the olive clutch, I traced the front flap onto a piece of textured old olive card stock and cut it out. I added antique brass brads and a stamped multi-layer flower to the cut out piece and then adhered it to the front flap of the purse. I then added some photo corners which were sponged in close to cocoa ink. I also stamped a message in an oval label holder, threaded some ribbon through it and attached it to the side of the purse to create a purse strap.

Pink Day Bag (4” length x 4” high x 2” deep at bottom)

Supplies: Scor-Pal®, Scor-Tape™, 5/8” Regal Rose Grosgrain (SU!), Antique Brass Buckle (SU!), Sticky Back Velcro Circle, Photo Corners Punch (SU!), Scissors, Ruler, Pencil

Card Stock and Paper (all SU!): Bali Breeze DP, Pumpkin Pie Textured CS, Tempting Turquoise CS

****follow tutorial for old olive clutch using the measurements given below**

Step 1:Start with a piece of 12” x 12” textured card stock. Place one side of the card stock along the top of the Scor-Pal® and score at 4” and 8”.

Step 2:Turn card stock 90 degrees and score at 4”, 6” and 10”.

Step 3:Without removing the card stock from the previous step, make a pencil mark 2” down on the 5” Scor-Pal® groove. Score along the 5” score groove just up to the pencil mark.

Step 4:Turn the paper 180 degrees. Make a pencil mark 2” down on the 7” Scor-Pal® groove. Score along the 7” score groove just up to the pencil mark.

Step 5:The 2” score marks you just made in steps #3 and #4 were made on the center of the flaps that will become the sides of the purse (do NOT cut along this 2” score mark). Identify the score marks that are on either side of the 2” score lines. Cut down these score marks 4” just until you reach the first score mark. You will need to make 4 cuts (two for each side flap).

Step 6: Keep the side flap down on the Scor-Pal® and bend up the adjacent flaps. Align the inside corner of the side flap and the diagonally opposite outside corner along ONE score groove. Score from the inside corner just until you meet the score mark you made in a previous step.

Step 7: Repeat step 6 for the other inside corner. When you are done the score marks for the side flap it should look like a capital 'Y'. *Repeat step 6 and 7 for the other side flap.

Step 8: To form tabs, cut away the card stock. Remember you need to cut tabs as in Step 9 of the Olive Clutch. Your final cut out piece will look the same. Cut a sharp angle on the end of the tabs that are next to the side flaps.

Step 9: Place Scor-Tape™ along tabs.

Step 10: If you wish to alter the front flap, now is the easiest time to do it. I did not alter the front flap on the Pink Bag.

Step 11: Bend card stock inwards along score marks.

Step 12: Remove Scor-Tape™ liner and form purse. Use a sticky-back Velcro circle to keep the flap of the purse closed.

Pink Day Bag Finishing Details

To finish off the pink day bag, I cut a 2" x 4" piece of Bali Breeze paper and adhered it to the front flap. I then added a strip of regal rose grosgrain that had been threaded through an antique brass buckle. I also added a set of double punched photo corners. To add the purse strap I cut two ¾" slots with my hobby blade in the top score mark of the purse. I threaded the ends of an 11" ribbon through each slot and anchored the ribbon with Scor-Tape on the inside.

Teal Shoulder Bag (5" length x 2- ¼" high x 2" deep at bottom)

Supplies: Scor-Pal®, Scor-Tape™, 5/8" Old Olive Grosgrain (SU!), Antique Brass Build-a-Brad Base (SU!), Large Half-Back Pearl (SU!), Sticky Back Velcro Circle, Photo Corners Punch (SU!), 3/16" Corner Rounder (SU!), White Gel Pen, Piercing Tool, Guide & Mat, Scissors, Ruler, Pencil
Card Stock and Paper (all SU!): Bali Breeze DP, Taken with Teal Textured CS

****follow tutorial for old olive clutch using the measurements given below**

Start with a piece of 8" x 11" patterned paper. Place the 11" side of the paper along the top of the

Step 1: Scor-Pal® and score at 3" and 8".

Step 2: Place the 8" side of the paper along the top of the Scor-Pal® and score at 3" and 5".

Step 3: Without removing the paper from the previous step, make a pencil mark 1-½" down on the 4" Scor-Pal® groove. Score along the 4" score groove just up to the pencil mark.

Step 4: Turn the paper 180 degrees. Make a pencil mark 1-½" down on the 4" Scor-Pal® groove. Score along the 4" score groove just up to the pencil mark.

Step 5: The 1-½" score marks you just made in steps #3 and #4 were made on the center of the flaps that will become the sides of the purse (do NOT cut along this 1-½" score mark). Identify the score marks that are on either side of the 1-½" score lines. Cut down these score marks 3" just until you reach the first score mark. You will need to make 4 cuts (two for each side flap).

Step 6: Keep the side flap down on the Scor-Pal® and bend up the adjacent flaps. Align the inside corner of the side flap and the diagonally opposite outside corner along ONE score groove. Score from the inside corner just until you meet the score mark you made in a previous step.

Step 7: Repeat step 6 for the other inside corner. When you are done the score marks for the side flap should look like a capital 'Y'. *Repeat step 6 and 7 for the other side flap.

Step 8: To form tabs, cut away the paper as shown. The teal bag does not have a front flap and therefore there will be less to cut away. The bold line indicates where to cut. The dashed line indicates where the paper has previously been scored. Cut a sharp angle on the end of the tabs that are next to the side flaps.

Step 9: Place Scor-Tape™ along tabs.

Step 10: Cut a scrap of cardstock $\frac{3}{4}$ " x 3- $\frac{1}{2}$ ". Corner round two of the corners of this strip. Use this scrap piece as a template to trace a dip into the top part of each side of the purse and cut out.

Step 11: Bend patterned paper inwards along score marks.

Step 12: Remove Scor-Tape™ liner and form purse.

Teal Shoulder Bag Finishing Details

To finish off the teal shoulder bag, score a 1" x 3" strip of Teal textured card stock at the 1- $\frac{1}{2}$ " mark. Corner round all four corners and add faux stitching by piercing all around the outside of this piece and then connecting the holes with a white gel pen. Adhere a half-back pearl to a Build-a-Brad base with Scor-Tape™. Attach this brad to the front of the strip. Place Scor-Tape™ just on half of the back of this strip and adhere to the back center of the purse. Place a sticky-back Velcro circle on the front of this strip to keep the purse closed. Note: if you shorten the ends of the Build-A-Brad with pliers you can hide them under the Velcro circle. I then added some photo corners with more faux stitching. I also adhered two 9" old olive purse straps to the inside of the purse with Scor-Tape™.