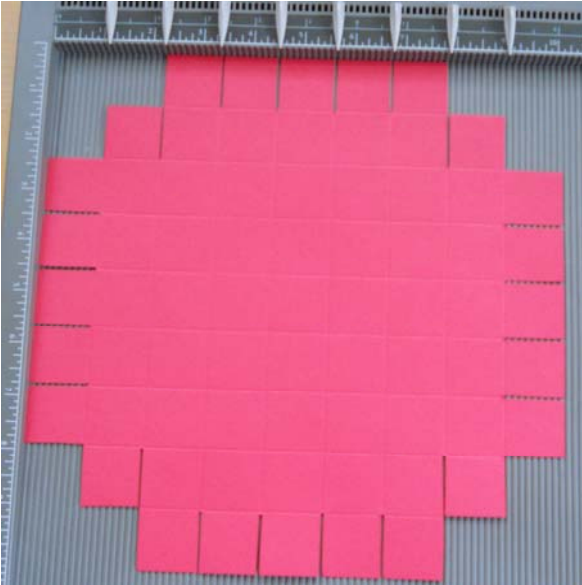


Christmas Countdown Kiss Advent

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This design is the precursor for the [Valentine's Kiss Countdown](#) project we did earlier, just a 5 by 5 grid instead.

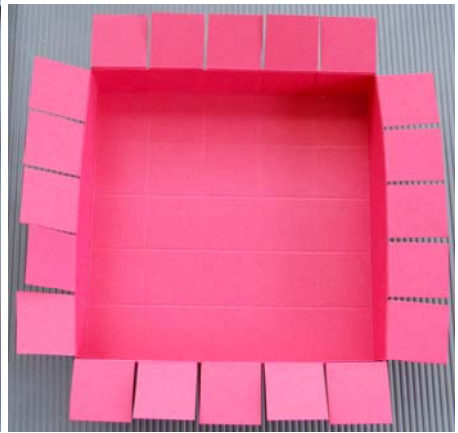
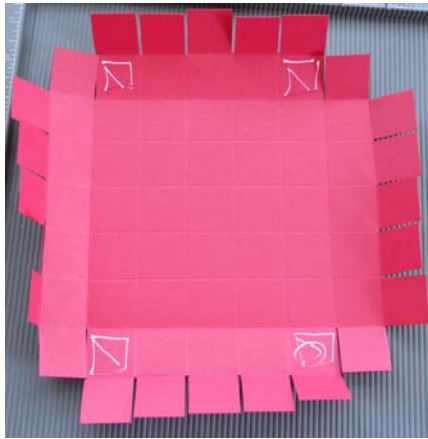
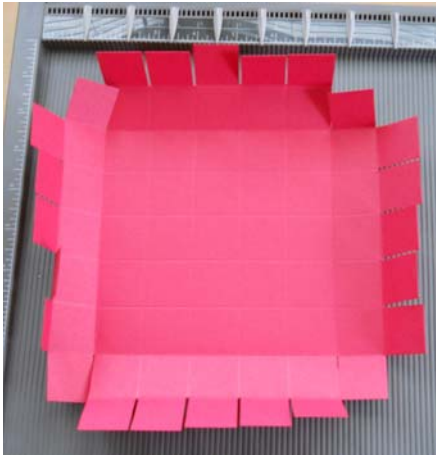
Supplies used in this sample: 1-12" x 12" CS in Real Red; 2- 8 1/2" x 11" CS in Lucky Limeade; 2-12" x 12" CS in Early Espresso; 1 8 1/2" x 11" CS in Very Vanilla; 25 & Counting, From My Heart & Teeny Tiny Wishes stamp sets; Silver brads; 7/8" Square, Word Window, Petal Card & Modern Label punches; Bigz Snow Flurry die; Apothecary framelits; Red Glimmer paper; Paper piercing pack; 5/8" Real Red satin ribbon.

For the box base, start with a 10 1/8" square.

Score at 1 1/8", 2 1/4", 3 3/8", 4 1/2", 5 5/8", 6 3/4", 7 7/8" and 9", on two sides.

Clip the three outside squares from each corner, and then trim out slots at all the score lines, all the way around, as shown.

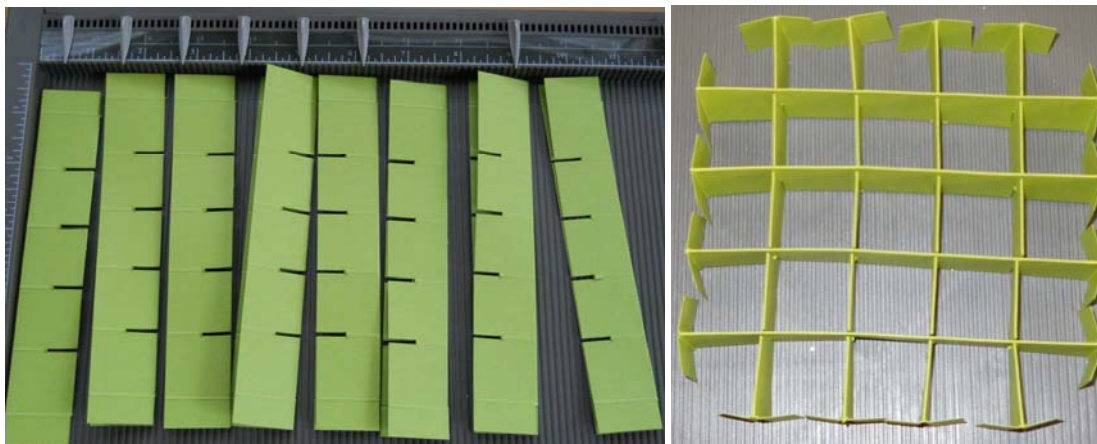
Crease the two OUTSIDE scorelines on all four sides, as shown. Then glue the corners to form the box, and bend back all the tabs.



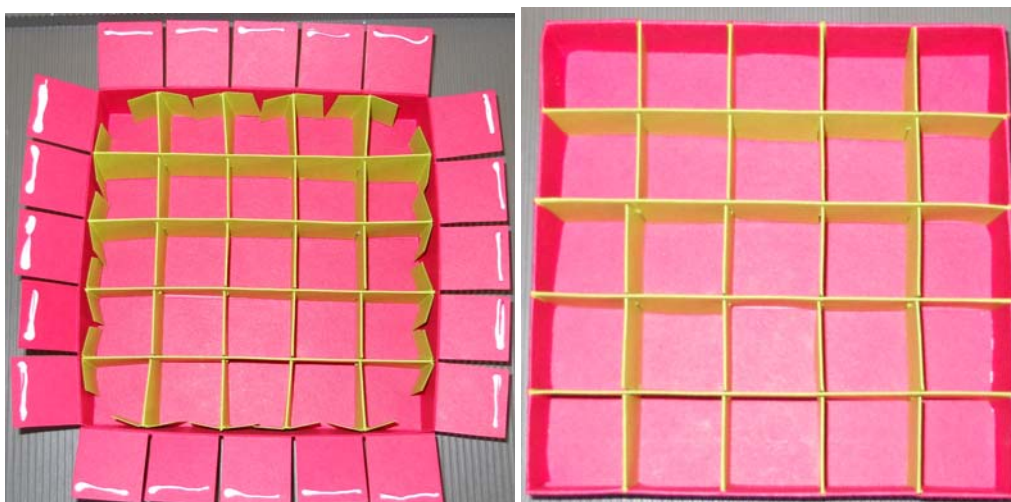
Next, cut 8 strips at 2 1/4" x 6 5/8", in a contrasting color. Score at 1 1/8" on the short end, and 1/2", 1 5/8", 2 3/4", 3 7/8", 5" and 6 1/8" on the long edge, for all 8 strips. Slot cut outer score line at both short ends of every strip as well, as shown. Fold and crease sharply all 8 strips lengthwise.



Slot cut 4 of each strip a little more than halfway up each scoreline, from the bottom, or open long edge. Slot cut the other 4 strips a little more than half way from the top, or folded, edge. Assemble the grid by slots, and fold out the feet, as shown.



Place the grid in the box, and prep each tab with glue or other adhesive as shown. Fold the tabs down on all sides of the box, securing grid in place.



Punch 25 Petal Card shapes for the doors. Stamp and punch the 25 & Counting images with the 7/8" square punch, and adhere to the petal shapes. Add a brad to each "door." Glue bottom petal to lower inside edge of each opening on the box, folding in the rest of the petals to create the "door" effect. Decorate the rest of the grid as shown, or as desired!

