

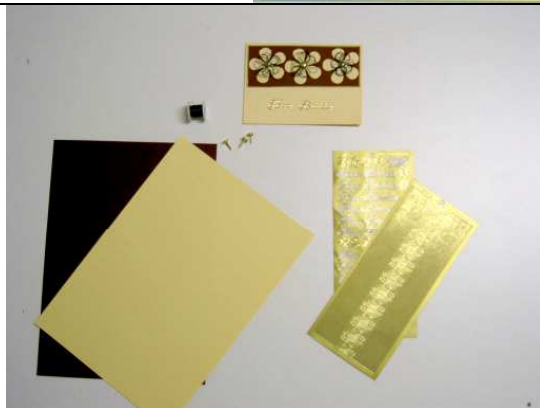
Card Creations Series

An easy to follow, step by step guide to creative card making brought to you with the compliments of :

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No.1

Wire and Split Pin Flower Card



Collecting The Card Stock & Stickers

To complete this card you will require;

1. 1 Sheet A4 cream cardstock
2. 1 Strip burgundy colored cardstock 5.5cm (2 1/4") x 14cm (5 1/2"). (Textured cardstock looks great!)
3. 1 Sheet of Greeting stickers (We used happy birthday)
4. 1 Sheet of Border Stickers (We used straight lines)


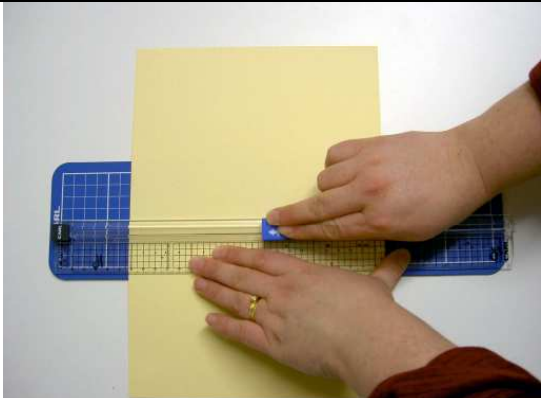
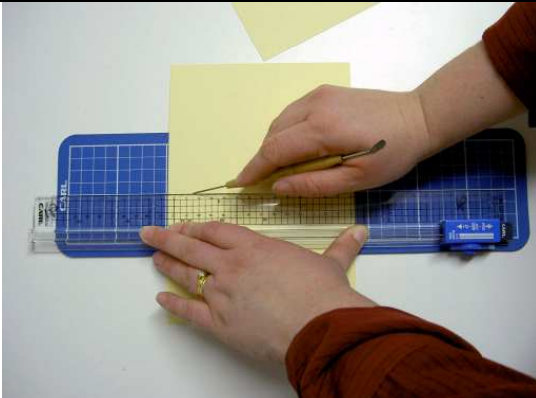
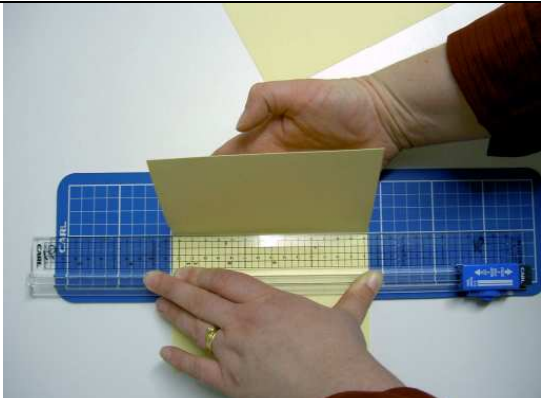
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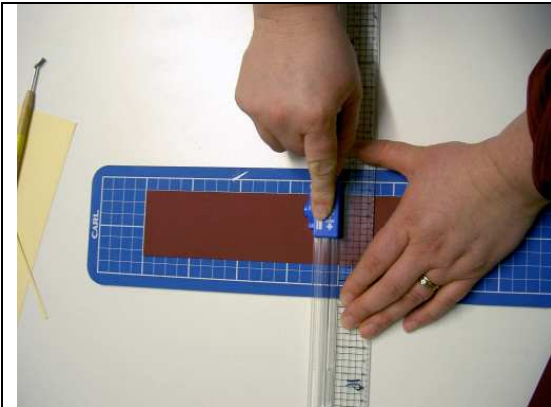
Collecting The Split Pins & Wire

1. 1 Spool of 26-28 Gauge dark coloured wire (aprox 100cm (81"))
2. 3 Large split pins

Completed



	<p>Collecting The Required Tools</p> <p>To complete this card easily you will require:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. 1 Pair sharp scissors2. 1 Paper trimmer (We used a Carl DC 90)3. 1 Pricking tool and mat (mouse pad will do!)4. 1 Double Sided Adhesive or Glue5. 1 Daisy Punch (We used the EK Success Funky Flower Whale of a Punch)6. 1 Ruler <p><input type="checkbox"/> Completed</p>
<p>Step 1.</p> <p>Find the centre of your cream cardstock and use your paper trimmer or scissors to cut it in half, creating two A5 sheets.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Completed</p>	
	<p>Step 2.</p> <p>Find the centre of one of the A5 sheets and score it using a ruler and blunt object (embossing tool or blunt end of pricking tool).</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Completed</p>
<p>Step 3.</p> <p>Without moving your ruler, crease your card along the centre line by raising the rear of your card - this creates a nice sharp fold.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Completed</p>	



Step 4.

Use your cutter to carefully cut a strip from your burgundy card stock that is 5.5cm (2 $\frac{1}{4}$ ") x 14cm (5 $\frac{1}{2}$ ").

Completed

Step 5

Take your flower punch and punch three big flowers. If you use your punch upside down you can keep your punches close together, avoiding any wastage or overlapped punches.

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Step 6

Place your punched out flowers on your pricking mat and use your pricking tool to punch holes in the centre for the split pins to go through. Do this for each of your flowers.

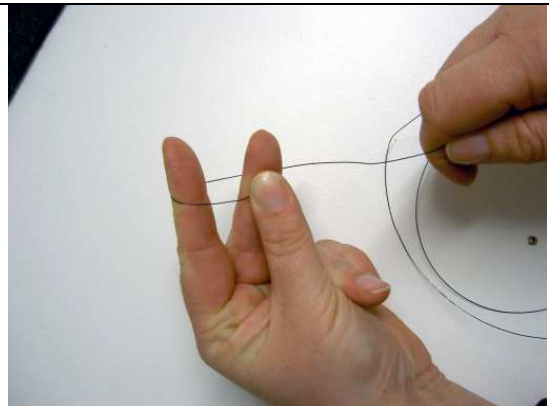
Place them aside for the moment as it's time to do some wirework!




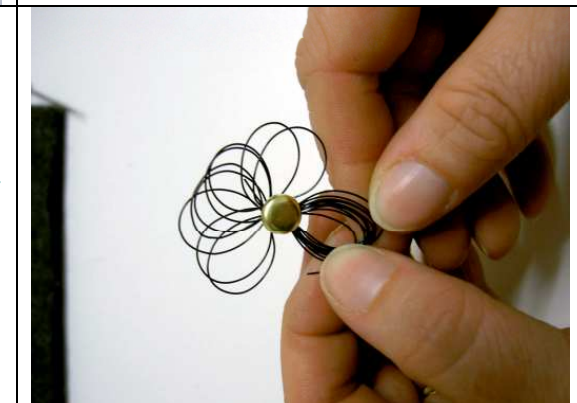
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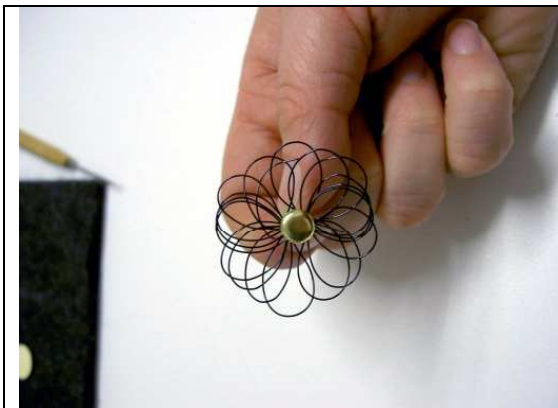
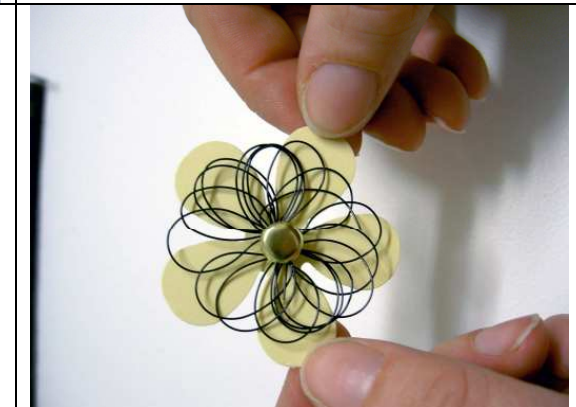
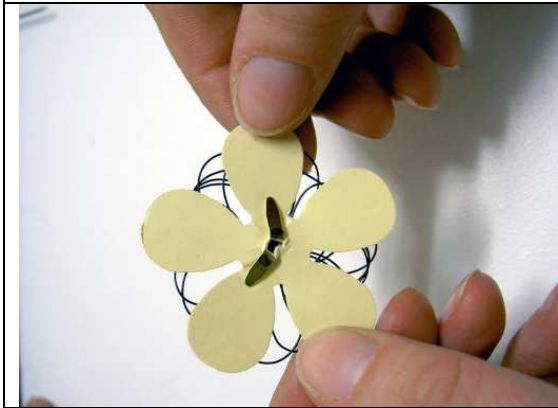
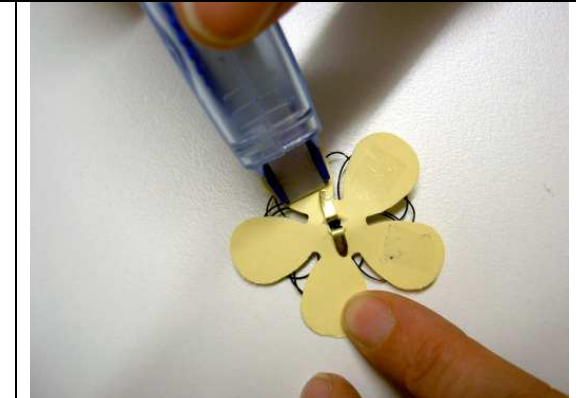
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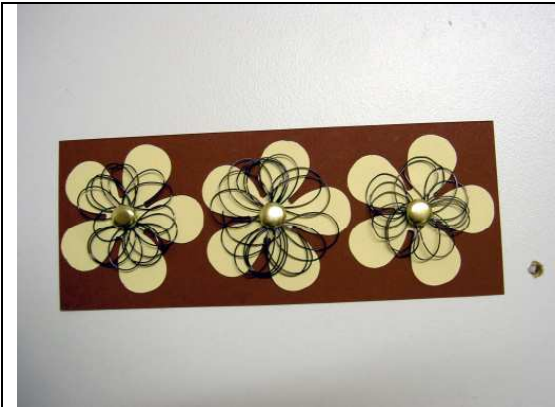
Make a 'V' with your index and pointer fingers. Holding one end of the wire against your finger with your thumb and with your palm facing up, begin to wrap a length of wire around your fingers forming a loop.

Completed



	<p>Step 8</p> <p>Once your loop is completed, carefully remove your fingers and repeat step 7 for all three lengths of wire.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Completed</p>
<p>Step 9</p> <p>Taking one end of a completed loop in one hand, use your other hand to twist the wire in the centre to form a figure of eight pattern (similar motion to winding a clock). Four or five turns should be sufficient.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Completed</p>	
	<p>Step 10</p> <p>Carefully open your split pin and place the legs over the outside of the centre twist. Gently squeeze the legs together with your fingers to hold the split pin in place.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Completed</p>
<p>11</p> <p>Holding the wire in one hand, use your other hand to gently prise apart each of the flower petals. Bend each loop so it just overlaps the previous loop (see picture for details) Work your way around the entire flower until all of the petals are separated.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Completed</p>	

	<p>12</p> <p>Once you have separated all of the petals, hold the split pin in one hand and use your other hand to make any final adjustments and to squeeze down the petals so they lay flat on top of each other. Repeat steps 9 thru 12 for all three of the wire loops.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Completed</p>
<p>13</p> <p>Take each of the wire flowers you have made and push the split pin through the centre hole that you pricked in the flower punchouts.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Completed</p>	
	<p>14</p> <p>Turn the each of the flowers over and carefully spread the split pin legs. Spread the legs so that they are hidden behind the punchout petals. Trim the split pins legs if nessisary, being careful to cover the cutting area with your hand so you are not hit with any flying pieces.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Completed</p>
<p>15</p> <p>Still on the underside of your flowers, use your double sided adhesive to coat each of the petals.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Completed</p>	



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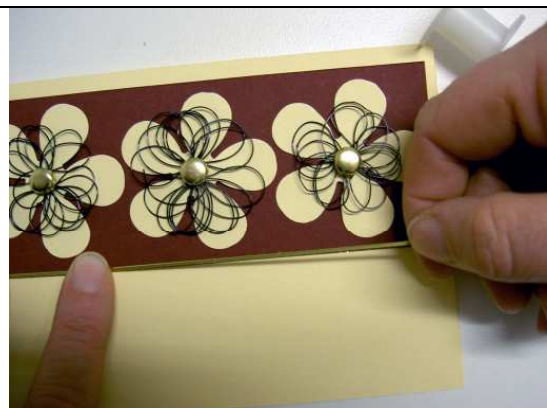
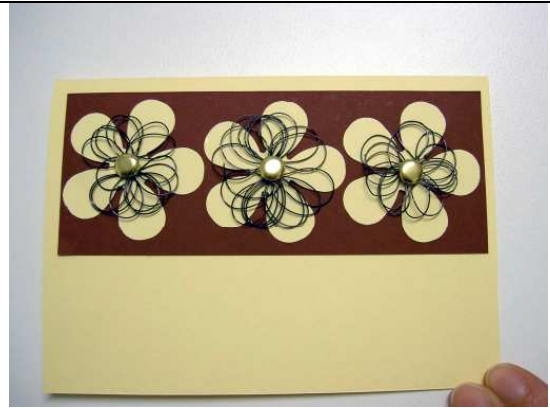
Once you have applied adhesive to each of your flowers, place them gently onto your burgundy strip of card. Adjust their position to your satisfaction before pressing them down firmly and creating a permanent bond.

Completed

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Now it's time to assemble your card and apply the finishing touches. Apply Your double sided adhesive to the underside of the burgundy cardstock and place it carefully onto the yellow card, close to the folded edge. Adjust the position of the card strip so that it has an even border on the top, left and right sides before pressing it down firmly.

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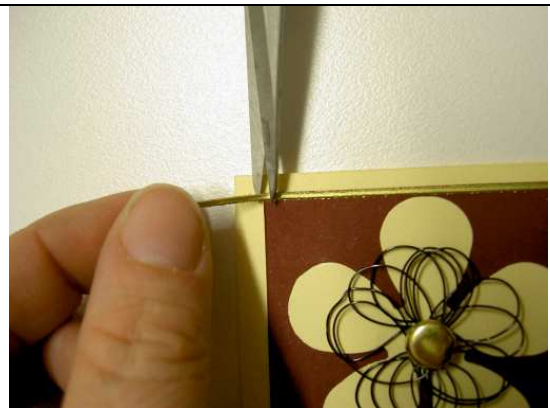
Select a border sticker from your sheet (the pricker is handy for lifting stickers of the backing!) and place it along the edges of the burgundy strip. You can use two hands to keep tension on the sticker and ensure a nice straight edge before pressing the sticker down firmly.

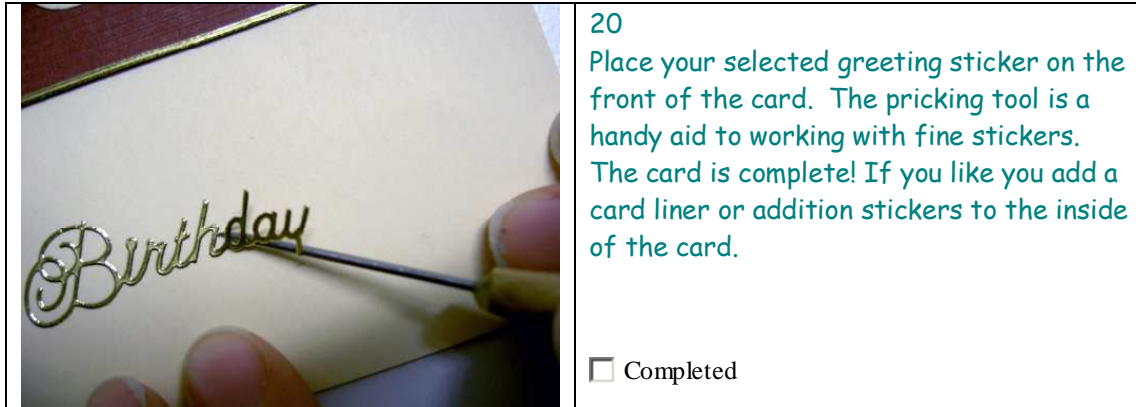
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Use a sharp pair of scissors to trim any border sticker overlaps. Holding the loose end firmly whilst trimming helps to create a nice even finish.

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