

Very Merry Spinning Wheel Card

A festive holiday greeting: Turn the wheel for a peek into Santa's sweet workshop!

Stamps Used:

X0635 Santa's House

Sm. Cube 0628 Candy Sweets

Med. Cube 0653 Lil' Holiday Helpers

Supplies Needed:

8½" x 11" cardstock (3 sheets)

Craft knife (such as an X-Acto®)

Double-stick & regular tape

Small brass fastener

Markers or colored pencils

Yellow and black ink pads

Decorative-edging & regular scissors

Make the card face:

1. Stamp Santa's House on a sheet of cardstock, and color the image.
2. Cut along the edges of the three windows and door, leaving them attached on the "hinged" sides so they can be folded open.

Stamp the windows:

1. On a second sheet of cardstock, print out the wheel card pattern.
2. Choose the images you want to show through the windows of the gingerbread house. Stamp them in the center of the openings directly on the pattern. Don't worry about overlapping lines; they won't show once the card is assembled.
3. Color the images, and then cut out the upside-down "V" piece.
4. On the back of the gingerbread house card face, center the "V" piece so the stamped images show through the window areas from the front side. Attach the pieces with tape on the reverse side of the house card.

Create your spinning wheel:

1. Choose the characters you want to show through the door of the gingerbread house. Stamp 4 images total, each one in its quadrant on the wheel. Position them at an angle, so the characters' heads point toward the center of the wheel. For best effect, situate the characters so the bottoms of their feet are located ¾" from the wheel edge.
2. Color the images, and then sponge the background with yellow ink so the printed pattern lines "disappear."
3. Using decorative-edging scissors, cut the wheel just outside the yellow pattern line. With the tip of your craft knife, poke a small hole through the black dot on the wheel.

Attach the wheel & assemble the card:

1. Cut out the 5" x 5" square pattern piece below.
2. Place the square pattern on top of the gingerbread house card face you made earlier. Line up the outlines of the house on both pieces as closely as possible. With the tip of your craft knife, poke a small hole through the black dot on the pattern and your house card behind it.
3. Keeping both pieces aligned, use a pencil to lightly trace around the square pattern onto your gingerbread house card.
4. Remove the pattern, and cut out the gingerbread house card along the pencil lines.
5. Hold the wheel behind the gingerbread house card, and line up both black dot holes. Insert a brad fastener through both the front of the card and the wheel.
6. Turn the card over, and flatten the brad fastener. When you spin the wheel, your stamped characters will rotate and show through the door of the card.
7. Fold and cut a colored sheet of cardstock so it measures 5¼" x 5¼". Place double-stick tape on the back of the card face, being careful to position tape along the edges so that the wheel can spin freely. You're done!

