BettesMakes and Copious Crafts Weekly Newsletter November 23



Thanksgiving in the USA is this coming week and most people are preparing for those Black Friday Sales! I have a few things on my list I want to purchase and since Black Friday is also in Canada, I will be braving the crowds in the craft stores. This week I have digital papers ready for you! From snowflakes to ornaments, I am adding more each day - see the end of this newsletter for details on where to get your files.

Celebrate the Fall and Head into the Holiday weeks with more Crafts

This week I have been looking at a lot of holiday magazines. They are loaded with ideas and how-tos and there is not enough time in the day to try all of these amazing crafts. I am going to stick with what enthuses me for the day.

Making my own stencils from stencil material was the start of the week, I then added some dry embossing, and finally heat glitter to a project I read about. I often find most of the projects in the magazines are full of new things to buy to make the craft work. I am always experimenting on how to use my Cricut to do the same thing and that is where the stenciling came in. I will add my design SVG stencil to the downloadables so you can also play around with it and perhaps dry emboss with it and add your glitter. This is how mine turned out!





If you have any suggestions for me, please send me an email at bette@bettesmakes.com.

The Color Palette for this week: Purple Passion

The plants are still blooming even in the late fall. This image is of a flower that was still blooming here in the Pacific Northwest. I fell in love with the color but am not sure of the name of the plant, hence the title purple passion. If you know the name please shoot me an email at bette@bettesmakes.com



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I have been making many ornaments lately and this article is all about what I found to be the best way to make glitter ornaments with vinyl overlays on the outside. This article and the YouTube video give you everything you need to know to make these dazzling holiday ornaments.





YouTube Video of the Week

I finally finished the ornament making video! You can now view it here: True to form, my video is over 45 minutes long - but you can skip over the parts you already know!



Suppliers

Did you Get Your FREEBIEs this week?

This week the FREE font bundles were outstanding - I downloaded mine right away - you can use any of the downloads from Design Bundles for personal use. I recently found out that I got free files on Wednesday as well! Even when I make my own designs, I still love using other FREEBIES - they give me more ideas on what to create. This week the fonts were very cursive so I will be able to incorporate them into my design. Join their program for free and search for the FREEBIE FRIDAY items. You will never regret it.



<u>CraftStash</u> - This company has been putting up some amazing deals as Black Friday approaches. I love the Hunky Dory items! They are becoming my go to place for items you cannot get at retailers in North America (they have a USA site - the image below will take you right there).



Other Activities This Week

Experimenting with new stuff is certainly where I have been this week. I spend a fair amount of time designing holiday patterns for digital paper. Speaking of digital paper, someone asked me why anyone would want digital paper! Are you aware that digital paper can be used for background designs for your SVG file. All you need to do is create a print then cut project with your Cricut to get started. If you don't have a cutting machine, you can print out your project using

https://ckarchive.com/b/38uphkh337ql

the background (of digital paper) or you can simply take one of the design components of the paper and use it as an embellishment for your papercrafting (I do this for my handmade cards).

Make sure you get all of my holiday digital paper from my resource library.

My list of projects for this coming week is certainly getting longer:

- 1. Advent Calendar due by next Friday
- 2. Holiday Wreath using a styrofoam circle with ribbons and cardstock for the leaves final touches still in design
- 3. Dry Embossing final touches for this amazing craft
- 4. Personalized Pillow Covers Iron-on vinyl project
- 5. Iron-On Infusible Inks these will go on T-Shirts with crafting sayings

I know this looks busy but it is so much fun to work on these projects - What will ou be making this week besides Thanksgiving Dinner?

Are you ready to instruct for Michael's? Michaels is still looking for more crafting instructors - be sure to check it out. https://michaels.ca/instructors and https://michaels.ca/instructors

Resource Library

For all the FREE files that have been posted to BettesMakes.com blog, just go to my <u>resource library</u> and download anything you wish. The password is:love

Spend some time browsing around for past downloads and be sure to download your weekly files!





Our Growing Facebook Group

Take a look at our group http://Facebook.com/groups/BettesMakes! and join in the discussion!

My blog posts and the links to them are always posted in the group in order for you to have easy access. It is a great place to also add your comments and join in the discussions. The group is also the perfect spot for you to post your makes and ask for opinions. *The group is a two-way street and in place to help everyone*.

As a reminder, you can always email me with ideas to bette@bettesmakes.com

Pinterest

Looks like everything is back to normal with Pinterest. It certainly has been a trying few weeks! My views are back to 1.9 million (going in the right direction for sure). There is still a long way to get back to the 3 million monthly views we had in mid-October. The best part is that our followers are climbing slowly. I hope we hit 2.2 k by next week.

YouTube

My YouTube channel is finally growing little bits at a time - I have a few more videos I will be posting shortly - if you have not already done so, could you please subscribe to my channel - I truly would appreciate it!.

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Do you know anyone who loves to craft and would benefit from this newsletter and the resource library? Please pass this newsletter on and let us know who they are - I want to reward those who help us build our mailing list. Lots of Free gifts!

Let's really enjoy the Holiday Season!

Happy Crafting!





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Don't forget to subscribe to my new channel on <u>YouTube</u> - new videos are always on the way.

In case you forgot, the password for the resource library is IOVE

For those of us who love to blog and do crafts, check out the latest <u>Pinterest Launch Plan</u> from Jennifer Maker. it is something you do not want to miss. I have been following this religiously for the past two months and I am still in awe at how many monthly views I am getting. As of today we are over 1.8 million monthly views on Pinterest.



Jennifer also has a list building course called <u>List Love</u> - I am still working my way through this program - there is so much to learn! As the first program was so successful, I am truly excited about diving into this one as well.

Just to let you know, there may be affiliate links in this newsletter. You will not pay a penny more for any product and I may make a few cents in the process. If

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FREE GIFT for This Week

, here we go with digital paper made just for the holidays. Please enjoy using these - no license required as they are my own designs. I will keep adding more over the next couple of weeks.



Go to the Resource Library and download your digital paper files in PNG format.

To get the free gift, go to <u>my resource library</u> and log in with the password love - The file should be near the top of the list and named *Christmas Ornament FREE Digital Paper*.

Thanks for being one of my loyal readers! More freebies to come in the future.

Bello,



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