



Each week, you will receive my newsletter which has a project or two you can make plus a FREE downloadable you will not find in the resource library. This week I have SVGs for Christmas Tags. Scroll down to the bottom of the newsletter to get your file.

BTW, if you did not already know - I do use affiliate links in my newsletter but you will not pay anything extra for any of the products I recommend. I do not recommend items that I have not used myself!

Is This the Quiet Before the Storm!

I have been wracking my brain to come up with something especial for my husband this year. He loves things that are handmade and that is what I really want to do. My problem is that we are both working from home right now, so making things and keeping them a secret is not an easy thing. I love making things with vinyl and with my Maker, I can also make some etched acrylic.

If it is handmade, I want it to be useful and not just put aside to look at once in a while! Right now he really loves his coffee in a very large mug. He also has a whole variety of jars for coffee beans and dozens of tools to make the coffee just right! This should give me plenty of ideas for coffee accessories, t-shirts, and perhaps even a pillow. The search for the ideal make should come to me soon as time is marching on so quickly. And there are still the gifts for the rest of the family and I am not handing out gift certificates for games or technology this year.

Sometimes I would like to be like others and get my shopping done on Black Friday weekend! I avoided all crowds this year and went online but found it a bit disappointing as I love the browse to spot the ideal gift. You know, the one that jumps out at you as the perfect gift for someone on your list. Are you a super organized shopper or are you more like me when it comes to getting the shopping done? [Cricut is actually holding a 12 day Christmas event right now](#), so I may take advantage of that and add to my own list.

I may just make a box and fill it with chocolates and coffee beans! I will make sure the chocolate is something I like as well! (Extra Dark Belgian Chocolate)

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This week has been amazing as there are so many people watching my new YouTube video series! I record 1 per day until December 23rd with a different aspect of Cricut Design Space in each. This is free training and it covers all the little things from the questions that have been sent to me over the last couple of months. If you are still not opening your Cricut box or turning it on, you should check the playlist called "Start Here". I know you will pick up some valuable information. <https://YouTube.com/c/BettesMakes> - be sure to subscribe and click the reminder bell so you know when the next video is released (generally 7 am Pacific Time).

Playing around this week, I decided I wanted to make a paper wreath, I found the perfect leaf shapes (I put these in my [resource library](#) as asset #297 plus you will need to download [the fern set from fontbundles](#) - it is free, and making the perfect circle as a cut out. I made the circle for the wreath right in Cricut Design Space with the dimensions of 11.25 (diameter) and cut out a center circle at 8.25" diameter. It seems to have worked really well. This is one you may want to make for yourself. ***I am sharing the Cricut Project but it may not work for you as Cricut has computer system minimums to make it.*** [Click here to access the project.](#) If this does not work for you, you can always go to the [resource library](#) (asset #297) and download all the leaves and make your own circle.



This Week's YouTube Video - [Cricut Design Space - Contouring Made Easy](#)

With the video series "Made Easy" I have chosen this one to get you thinking about what you can do with this amazing Cricut Design Space Contour tool. You can have a ton of fun creating different designs from just one image.



MORE EASY PROJECTS AND TUTORIALS FROM BETTESMAKES.COM

In case you did not get a chance, here is a short list of my most popular posts and videos - I know you will absolutely love these because they are fun and easy to do!

[Coffee Barista Stencils](#) - Although there are Christmas designs here, there are 9 others for other seasons.

[Easy Paper Poinsettia](#) - You can add these to a wreath or other decorations for your tree!

[Arabesque Paper Tile Ornaments](#) - MOST POPULAR! lots of shapes here - there are 11 in total and so many creative ways to use these!

Take Another Peek Inside My Resource Library

I have been adding lots of templates and downloadables lately, so do not miss out on those extras! For all the FREE files that have been posted to BettesMakes.com blog, just go to my [resource library](#) and download anything you wish. The Password for newsletter subscribers is love

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





Have you given any thought about joining my Facebook Group?

Our Facebook group is starting to grow and I will be adding some new files for the taking in the next few weeks - don't miss out! Take a look at our group <http://Facebook.com/groups/BettesMakes>! and join in the discussion! Are you a member of the group? 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.

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

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!

Take Time to Craft this Weekend...

Happy Crafting!

A stylized, handwritten signature of the name "Bettes" in a cursive script.



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BTW - is there anything you would like me to make? Just email me at Bette@bettesmakes.com

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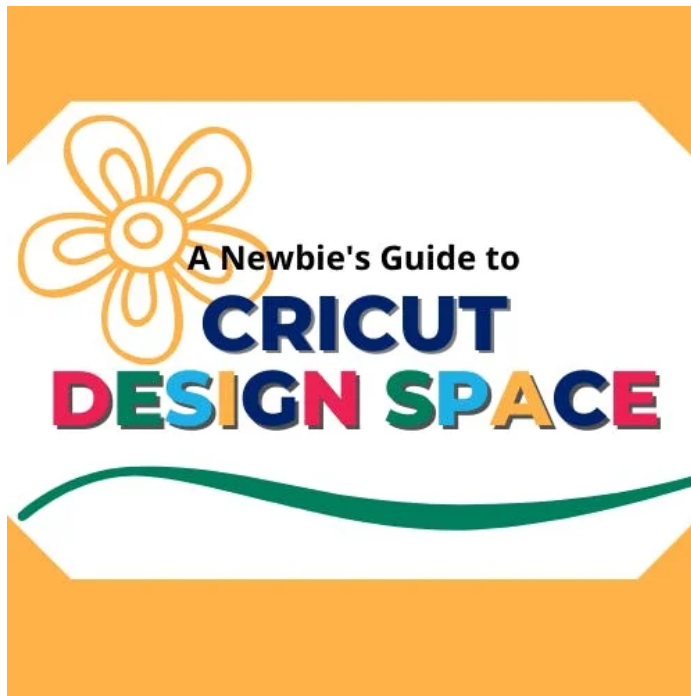
Making cards can be easy as long as you have dozens of templates to get you going. The Card Compendium has tons of unique card folds plus 6 months of weekly folds you can add to your skill set. All of the cards allow you to make anything you want for any occasion. This guide is the compendium you have always needed for unique folds and cuts. [Check it out here](#). As an early Christmas present you can grab this for only \$19 when you use the code SECRETSANTA19



Just imagine all the fun you can have making cards with every unique folds and surfaces for adding embellishments! I know spending time looking around, measuring, and testing your card cuts can be time-consuming, to say the least. Because you would rather be making cards instead of working through the design and test process, I created this compendium to give you everything you need to push your own creativity! Not only will you have instant access to dozens of ready-made folds & cuts, but you will also get a weekly email with the latest fold & cut right in your inbox for the next 6 months. Yes, that means an

additional 26 projects you can use! All of these designs have been tested by other greeting card makers and have their stamp of approval.

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The Newbie's Guide to Cricut Design Space is a 150 page guide that shows you all the popular tools and how to use them. Each page gives you instructions and examples as well as work along exercises. No more guessing as to what tool to use and when.

The best part yet - the book will never go out of date for you because I update it each quarter and you get the updates all for free - no extra fees to pay. Of course, I love to listen to what you have to say, so if something needs to be added, just let me know and I will add it.

[Get your copy of A Newbie's Guide to Cricut Design Space at a SPECIAL PRICE NOW!](#)

THIS WEEK'S FREEBIES & DEALS

The FREE Font of the Week - [John Grey](#).

John Grey - a handwritten outline and filled font - Free Font Of The Week is a brilliant font that is this weeks Free Font of The Week.





More FREE Stuff from Design Bundles - Christmas Ribbon Files

Everyone loves a t-shirt and here is a set of great designs remembering 2020. In this set you will also find some Christmas icons you can use plus a gorgeous reindeer pattern!

[Get your free design here::](#)



Cricut often offers some free projects for you to make - I found these that you may be interested in getting. [FREE CRICUT PROJECTS](#)

[Cricut](#) offers FREE shipping with orders over \$50. Not only that, [Access](#) members get an automatic 10% off.



This Week's Freebie - [Christmas Gift Tags](#)

We all need gift tags and this week you can get the tags in both SVG and PNG format. There is one file to download, then you will need to unzip it to find the one you want. Enjoy these! You can find this freebie in the [resource library](#)! Look for design #299

The password to get into the library is **love**



Have an incredible weekend and week!

[Don't forget about the Cricut 12-day sale](#) - it is well worth looking into, just in case there is something on your own wish list.

