

Valentine Swans

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This design can be used for valentine, engagement, wedding, anniversary or simply for a loved one. Note that the heads and necks of the two swans form a heart shape when the card is displayed.

Materials Required:

Sheet of Tracing Paper: TR003.

Dorso Oil and Blue Oil Pastel.

Mapping Pen and White Ink.

Embossing Tool and Mat.

Roll of Kitchen Paper.

Craft Knife and Cutting Mat.

Gold Label Stickers: XL140U-02.

Double Sided Tape.

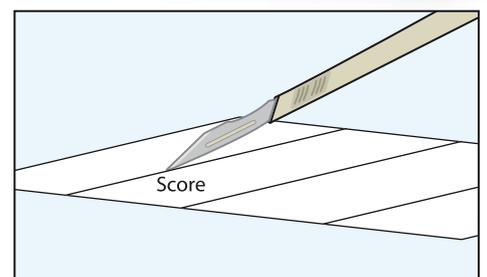
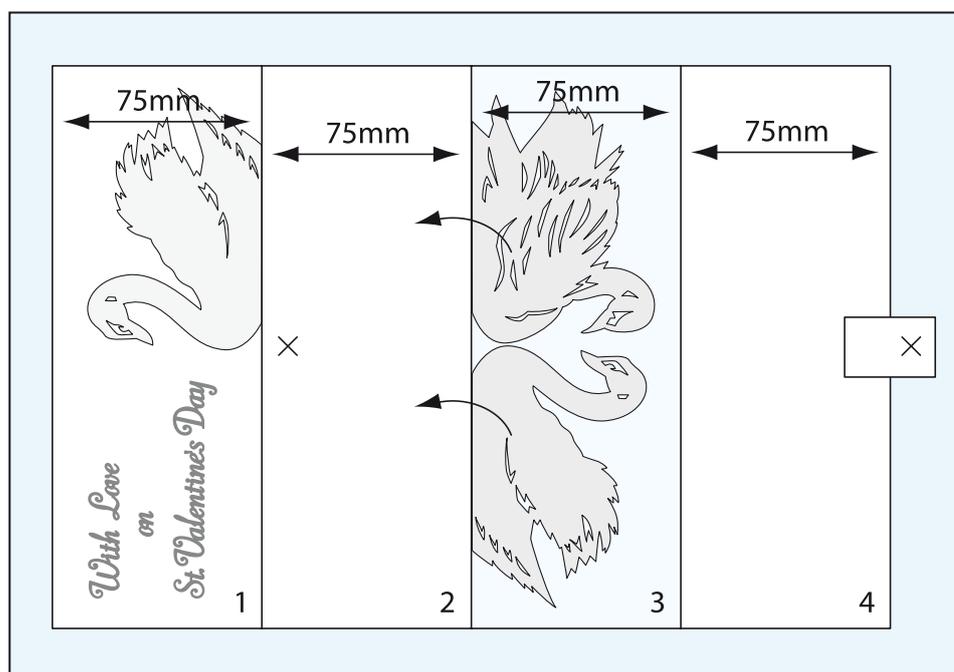
P.V.A. Craft Adhesive.

Card Mount: SF01U-31

Parchmarque White.

To Make The Card:

Score the front and back panels of the card mount to divide it into four equal sections each 75mm wide (see below), the centre line is the pre-scored fold line



on the card. Turn the craft knife the other way up and use the back of the blade to score with, don't press too hard as it is still quite sharp.

The diagram (left) also shows which panels are which so you know where you are as you begin to work on the card.

Place the tracing paper over the diagram on the right and trace both the swans. These

need to be retraced onto the back of panel 3. Place the tracing face down aligning the lower edge of the swans with the centre score line on the card. Retrace over the lines to transfer them.

Cut out the swans and all the little bits inside them using a sharp craft knife working on a cutting mat to protect your work surface. Don't cut along the bottom edges of the swans as they need to remain attached to the card.

Cut a piece of tracing paper to 7.5cm x 20cm and draw a few horizontal lines of blue oil pastel onto one side. Rub over the pastel with a drop of dorso oil on a piece of kitchen roll, work the pastel into the paper keeping the movements horizontal. Fold out the two swans from panel 3 and place the blue paper over the swan shaped holes left behind. Use a tiny piece of double sided tape at each corner to hold the blue paper in place. This will look like water with reflections of the swans when displayed.

Place a new piece of tracing paper over the right hand swan on the diagram below. Mark a dot for the eye then trace the outline and the feather details.

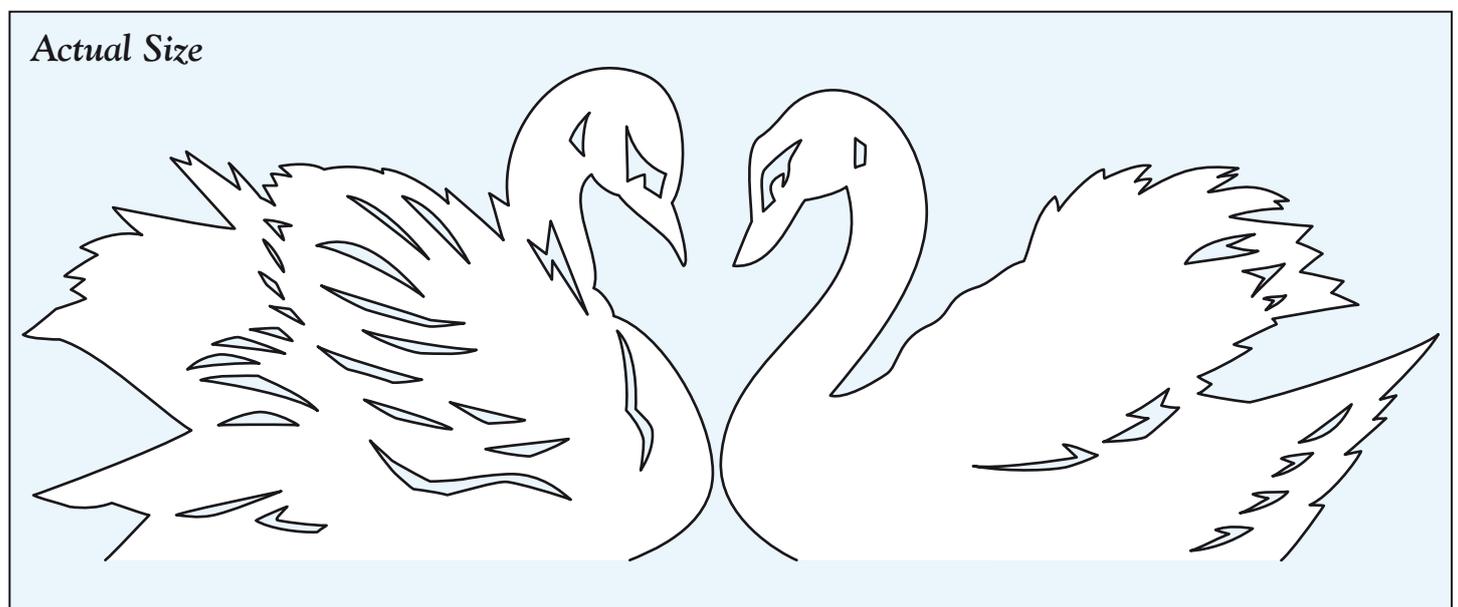
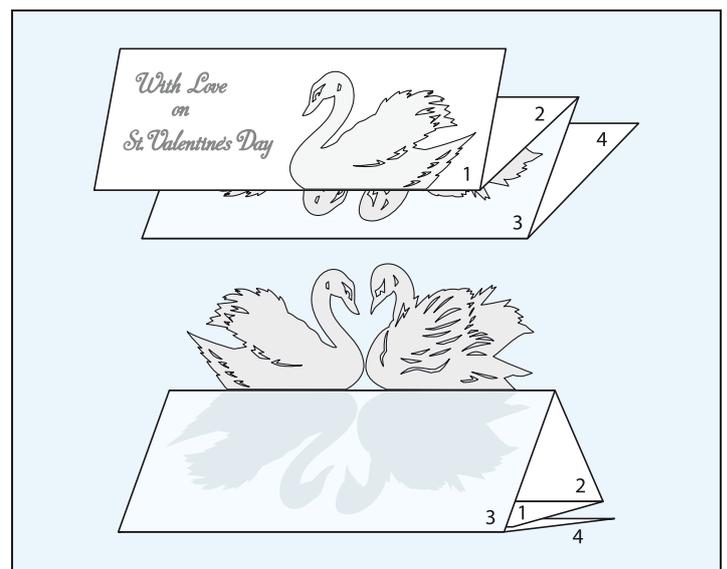
Place the tracing paper on an embossing mat with the right side up and emboss the feather detail and the dot eye.

Cut out the swan and place a tiny amount of P.V.A. glue just along the edges of the swan and stick it onto the right hand side of panel 1. Peel and stick the wording on next to the swan.



Make a small tab from white card and attach it onto the side of panel 4. Place a small piece of double sided tape onto the spot marked with an 'x' and leave the backing in place. The 'x' shown on panel 2 is where this will touch after folding.

Fold the card as shown in top picture in the diagram below to put into the envelope. The recipient will fold the card to make a 3D triangle shape, standing the two swans upright on the card as shown in the lower picture below.





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