

# **Country Birdhouse Spring Flowerpot Recipe**

# STAMPS, DIES, EMBOSSING FOLDERS

COUNTRY BIRDHOUSE BUNDLE FLOWERS OF BEAUTY DIES CUTE CROCHET 3D EMBOSSING FOLDER

#### CARD BASE

CRUMB CAKE 41/4 x 11 score @ 51/2

#### CARDSTOCK

**BASIC WHITE** 

- 1) 4 x 5 ¼ (inside panel) \*Use any sentiment of your choice. I used Artful Amaryllis
- 1) 2 x 5 (stamping birds & sentiment for front)

CRUMB CAKE 2 ½ x 5 ½ (die cut longest greenery)

LOST LAGOON 3 ½ x 3 ½ (die cut birdhouse bottom portion, sentiment frame) \*Use any sentiment & die of your choice. I used Artful Amaryllis sentiment & Unbounded Love die cut scalloped edges.

#### **INKS CLASSIC STAMPIN PADS**

LOST LAGOON CRUMB CAKE

#### DSP

#### NESTS OF WINTER

White distressed wood 3  $\frac{1}{2}$  x 5  $\frac{1}{4}$  (die cut 2 floral) Blue diamond pattern 3  $\frac{1}{2}$  x 4  $\frac{1}{2}$  (die cut 2 greenery Light bird feet print

- 1) 2 x 5 (die cut scalloped trim, stand
- 1)  $4 \times 5 \frac{1}{4}$  (embossed with crocket folder)

#### **FINISHING TOUCHES**

Threaded twine for bow and bird's beak nest material \*Use ribbon or bakers twine Stampin' dimensionals, Wink of Stella

# **ASSEMBLY INSTRUCTIONS**

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#### FIRST

#### Cut card base

Do all the cutting of Dies, Cardstock & DSP or investigate your scrap bins for small pieces! \*Everything I die cut out could actually be made from scraps!

# THAT'S RIGHT MY STAMPIN' FRIENDS....

Just be mindful of the color story that this card is telling. (if you want to replicate it exactly) Subtle and only 3 colors (including cardstock, DSP and Inks) Hughes of Tan/ Creams, Whites and Dusty Blues (must die cut two sentiment frames if you want the border in another color, since this die comes out cut into two pieces) \*if using Unbounded Love die

# NEXT

Emboss the front panel layer & glue to card base. Apply Wink of Stella to white florals

# THEN

Pick up the die cut florals and the greenery pieces and arrange them in your hands. I layered mine back to front. Start with one DSP greenery pc, white floral DSP, crumb cake greenery pc, white floral then the other DSP greenery pc. Hold together and bind with double sided tear by hand tape. See photo sample for this step. (set aside)

# NOW

Time to glue the flowerpot pieces together. Cut the scalloped roof trim piece in half, lay pieces on top each other glue to form one with 7 total scallops. This will fit perfectly across the top of the pot. Place it there to get the height of the stand. Take the stand and lay it down on the pot under the scallop and cut the length to fit. Glue both pieces down onto the pot

# TIME TO COLOR

Take both die cut birds and use blending brushes with Crumb Cake & Lost Lagoon ink. To get the look of the birds like mine, cut out an additional bird and fussy cut out the wing and use this for masking. Cover feet & beak with post it tabs. Temporarily adhere wing to bird image and use blending brush and crumb cake color bird portions except beak and tail feathers and feet. Remove the wing mask and replace it with the bird image mask missing its wing and blend on the Lost Lagoon color. This will saturate the wing with Lost Lagoon, remove mask and blend tail feather to desired color. If you don't want both birds to be the same, then use Lost Lagoon for the whole bird and Crumb cake for the wind masking. I used Stampin' Write markers to color their feet and the beaks. Stamp Sentiments for Front and Inside panel.

# ASSEMBLY

Place die cut bundled down more towards left side of card base with tear by hand adhesive second side of backing removed. Add Stampin' dimensionals to back of flowerpot, see photo sample for this step. Be mindful to leave space for floral stems underneath when placing dimensionals. Place flowerpot directly on top of floral bundle. Then add a mini glue dot or two behind die cut floral images to secure. Add Birds with twine of your choice where desired. One of my birds is sitting on the planter base and required one dimensional under head to even out. (since the flowerpot is popped up) My second bird is adhered onto florals with mini glue dots. Place sentiment on dimensionals and pop into position. Glue down the inside panel to complete the card.

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