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Design Team Inspiration

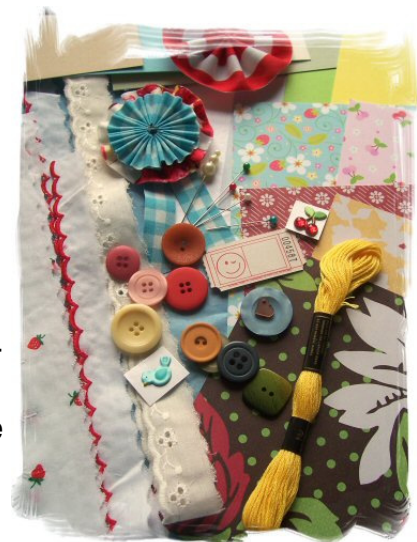


This month's inspiration has been 'shabby chic'. The design team has been working to inspire you with this month's card kit called 'shabby chic' along with some of the templates from your June set.

If you'd like to grab a shabby chic kit for yourself you can check them out on the website there's a link to it on the homepage www.craftytemplates.co.uk

This month is fathers day too - don't forget there are some really cool templates in the subscribers area. Or you can have a go at making a dad shaped minibook- Look out for the Dad shaped mini book template in the subscribers area under mini book templates.

Have fun this month! xx Leonora



Designs by Kathy Black



Kathy has used the smaller teapot and strawberry cupcake templates to make embellishments to add to her card.

How adorable are those little cakes on the cake stand card!

On the frame card Kathy's used some of the flowers cut from the paper and mixed them with flower embellishments to create a vase of flowers.

Designs by Tracy Gough



Tracy used the teapot template to make an embellishment with a hidden surprise, an actual teabag! Love the way Tracy has applied the lace edge on this card too, it's almost like a cushion.

In the Giraffe card Tracy says she's had a first go at digital colouring - that's adding colour to the image while it's still on the computer and then printing it off.

Technique Focus - Rosettes

In the kit this month I've included some fabric rosettes. They make great embellishments for your cards and they're super easy to make.



To make a basic rosette take a length of fabric and sew a running stitch along the edge making each stitch around 1cm. When you've got to the end of your fabric pull the thread. Keeping the thread pulled stitch together the edges folding them to the back. Open out the rosette pull into a nice round shape.



You can also make them with ribbon or try mixing up both and layering them together then gluing in place. Embellish the centres with your choice of card message and add to your card. You can also try adding flower embellishments to the centre or anything else you think might work. Have fun!

