

A Trip Down Memory Lane

Be Merry

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- I inked the edge of everything, including stickers, with black ink. This is of course optional dependent on whether you prefer your layouts inky or non inky!
- From the Kraft coloured Grid paper cut a strip 2 ½" x 12"
- Take the red scalloped border sticker from the sticker sheet and, aligning it to the right hand side, stick this with the scallops facing down along the top edge of the strip of kraft grid paper. There will be a small gap on the left hand side. Don't worry we will be covering this!

- Cut the black “Be Merry” strip from the Borders and Strips paper.
- Cut the strip which has the words post card and three trees on it.
- Cut an 8” diameter circle from the centre of the blue snowflake paper. **** I have a circle cutter available for use if you don’t have one. ****
- Use foam pads on the reverse of the snowflake paper all around the edge of the circle. Leave approx. ¼” inch between your foam pads and the edge of the circle. I started off spacing the pads at the top, bottom, left and right hand sides and then added 3 more pads in the space in between each of the original four foam pads. This will give you enough stability around the circle.
- You are going to position your remaining piece of kraft grid paper behind the circle so you will need to add foam pads along the outer edges of the piece of kraft grid paper.
- Remove the backing from the foam pads and adhere the kraft grid paper behind your circle, try to position it so the lines are straight.
- Adhere your strip of kraft grid paper with the scalloped sticker on the top edge to the bottom of your page.
- Next add the Be Merry strip directly next to the kraft grid strip. This will overlap the bottom of your circle, that is supposed to happen but don’t add any adhesive to the section of the strip which overhangs the circle.
- Use the plain kraft cardstock to mount your photo with a 1/8th inch border.
- Stick your photo to the layout in the circle recess as shown in the picture. I tilted it at a slight angle.
- From the strip of paper with the three trees carefully cut out each tree. From the remaining lined area cut two journaling strips.
- To make the details “pop” I outlined the patterns on the trees with black journaling pen.
- Use the chevron stickers from the sticker sheet to add a border around the circle aperture. Start from the top adding a single chevron then adding pairs of stickers one each side working from

the top so they go approximately half way round the circle. In between each sticker I added a faux stitched border.

- Arrange your three trees to the right of the photo. I added one flat to the background, one overlapping the photo on foam pads and one directly to the edge of my circle aperture with a couple of foam pads for stability where it overhangs the edge of the cut out circle. I also added the presents sticker from the sticker sheet underneath the trees and a coloured star on top of each tree.
- Use one of the label stickers and layer it with the DEC 25th sticker and add these to the top right hand corner.
- Write your journaling and add these strips onto the right hand edge of the kraft grid strip at the bottom (the lines will help you stick it on straight!)
- Finally, from the Borders and strips paper I cut a label and two pennants and added the year to the large label. Adhere these to cover the gap on the left hand side where the red scalloped border sticker was a little too short.

Thank you for taking this class. Further information, products and ideas can be found at www.atripdownmemorylane.co.uk and <http://createdbyatdml.com>