

DIY Cake Topper

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Creating a Cake Topper for a Birthday Cake is the Perfect DIY Project to celebrate the Birthday Boy or Girl. This simple tutorial will help you though the process.

Difficulty: Intermediate

SUPPLIES:

- Stamp Set: 15 Candles from Stampendous
- Cardstock: Whisper White (100730) Backgrounds Designer Series Paper 2013-2015 (130136)
- Ink: Baked Brown Sugar Classic Ink (131174)
- Accessories: Stars Framelits (133723), Sticky Strip (104294), Texture Boutique Machine (132657), Decorative Dots Textured Impressions Embossing Folder (133520), Stampin' Dimensionals® (pop dots) (104430), Petite Pennants Builder Punch, (122361), Bitty Banners Framelits (129267). Circle Collection Framelits (130911), Linen Thread(104199), Big Shot Die-Cutting Machine (113439), glue dots (103683)
- Non-Stampin' Up!: Craft Metal, Add A Little Dazzle Backing Paste, Paint Brush, 8" OR 12" Wilton® Cookie Sticks



CRAFT METAL PREP:

- 1. Turn the colored craft metal facing the table so the shining silver side is facing you.
- 2. Squirt the Backing Past to the metal and spread out with a paint brush. This brush will not be able to be used if it dries up so be sure to keep squirting and brushing it over the metal till it's totally covered. *TIP Make sure the paste is thin you don't want it thick.
- 3. Next place a piece of scrap paper on top of the metal with the backing paste and rub it till it lays flat with no bubbles. Lay aside to dry. (Could take up to 30-60 minutes)

CUTTING DIMENSIONS:

- Basically use the Circle Collection Framelits to cut out craft metal circles
- Stars Framelits to cut out the stars
- Pennant punch to punch out the pennants
 - o 12 Baked Brown Sugar Pennants
 - o 12 Metal Pennants (after craft metal is dry
 - o 12 Coast Cabana Pennants
 - o 10 Strawberry Slush using Designer Series Paper
 - 2 Circles of Craft Metal your size choice using the Circle Framelits (keep in mind Whisper White Circle will go in the middle)
 - o 2 Stars of Craft Metal using your size/choice of the Star Framelits

INSTRUCTIONS:

- 1. After you punch out all the items above, set aside in piles of coordinating twos. The Baked Brown Sugar will team up with the Craft Metal.
- 2. Now use scrap pieces of Whisper White Card stock and stamp the 16th (or whatever year) and birthday with the Baked Brown Sugar Classic Ink, then use the Framelits to cut out the stamped images using the big shot.
- 3. Now run the craft metal pieces through the decorative dots embossing folder using the Texture Boutique Machine and set aside.
- 4. Next lay your cookie sticks on grid paper or place mat and measure or eyeball how far apart they will need to be for the size cake you are going to put the cake topper on.
- 5. Next lay out the linen thread to get the look you need, and cut it. Then tie one end to one cookie stick and then adhere with glue dot to keep in place, repeat on other side. Make sure cookie sticks are spaced evenly.
- 6. Adhere your pennants by placing a "t" with the sticky strip on one side of the pennant from the doubles you have set aside. Remove the red liner tape (sticky strip) and place **under the linen thread. TIP: Please be sure that the top edges of the pennants touch each other.** Next place the coordinating pennant over the one that is now attached to the linen thread. This ensures that you can see the color from both sides of the cake topper. Repeat with rest of triangle pennants.
- 7. Repeat with second linen thread going to different place on the cake cookie sticks.
- 8. Adhere the two metal circles together using sticky strip. Place sticky strip on back of one of them and attach to cookie stick. Adhere the 16th circle which is stamped in whisper white to the craft metal using Stampin' Dimensionals. Attach to cookie sticks.
- 9. Take the stars and place color side out, put sticky strip down middle, and each side. Then attach to cookie stick on top of the star already attached and press down on each corner. So the stick will go in-between each star (see pic).
- 10. Use sticky strip or glue dot and adhere birthday banner to cookie stick.
- 11. Be sure that craft metal does not come in contact with food.
- 12. You are done! ©

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