



## Therese Calvird

This month, we are featuring [Therese Calvird](#), one of our talented design team members! Her projects have a sense of elegance, but she is not afraid to play with color! Let's learn more about her...

### **1. What motivated you to start making cards and begin stamping?**

I was frustrated with paying so much money for cards that didn't suit the person or the occasion, even when I would spend hours looking - for me it always had to be the perfect card. Then, one day I thought I could make them myself. I measured an envelope, cut and folded some card stock to fit, and it all began there. Needless to say, I have learnt a bit since then!

### **2. How did you fall in love with Altenew?**

I am one of Tasnim's biggest fans, I stalked her blog and was inspired by her cards long before Altenew and was so excited as I watched as her and Jen created their dream. This is truly an innovative and motivated company, not to mention, FUN! I feel very lucky and privileged to be a part of their journey along with the amazing company that they have created.

### **3. You are a master of using multiple stamp sets on a card! Do you have a way of working out which sets will work together? Please share some tips on how you do this!**

Mixing stamp and die sets is something I love to do; I feel that then I can get more from my supplies and stretch them that little bit further. I especially love to combine the unexpected - when it works, it's seriously fun! My

biggest hint for this is that when I receive my stamps I have a folder where I stamp the images. I have them separated into categories – flowers / sentiments / holidays etc. It's amazing what stamps you find in a set when you actually stamp them out. Having this visual tool is invaluable when I am designing because everything is right there in front of me, and that means there are no stamps hiding at the back in storage being ignored.

**4. Do you have a specific style that you are comfortable with or like to stick to?**

Probably my favourite style would have to be clean and simple. I also like to incorporate a bit of bright and fun in there as well. That is always the card that will make me most happy!

**5. Can you share a favorite card you made previously using Altenew products?**

I couldn't decide so I have attached 2 and will let you choose (wink).



**6. This is just for fun! If you can choose only three crafting supplies for the rest of your life, what would you choose?**

For fun? The anxiety has hit..... only 3, surely that would mean 3 'groups' or 'kinds' of products lol. This question is hitting home though as I am about to head on a little trip (around Australia) and I have already asked my husband, 'How much space can I have?' and he answered me with a question, 'How much space do you need?'. But you know, I will fill every inch of the space I can 'have' - it's not about what I 'need' because the true answer is 'it all'. So back to the original and very scary question, stamps (very broad I know and if you want me to be more specific it would be florals), Prismacolor pencils and my camera to film for Youtube. I love being connected to this community and considering how long it took me to start a blog, I don't know where I would be anymore without you guys - so a big thank you for all your support and encouragement!