

Village Collection

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Create your own unique Village scenes with this incredible collection by Sizzix® Tim Holtz® Die Set collection by Tim Holtz®.

This 87 piece Die Cutting Set has everything you could need to bring your Village to life from essential homes and grand churches to quirky manor houses and dramatic bell towers. Add extraordinary levels of craft detail to your structures with the additional elements included from awnings and window frames to porches and chimneys.

Perfect for pairing with the Tim Holtz Texture Fades Embossing Folders to create intricate stone and brickwork affects, which are sure to send your creations to the next level! Use this Sizzix® Thinlits® set together or individually to create a wide range of festive and winter scenes from magical winter wonderlands to Christmas Craft statement pieces, the possibilities are truly endless!

Don't forget to pick up your Sizzix Making Essentials, Making Tools & Sizzix Effectz to craft this new Tim Holtz masterpiece!

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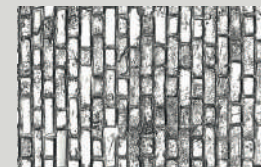
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Sizzix® Thinlits® Die Set 87PK Village Collection Designed By Tim Holtz®



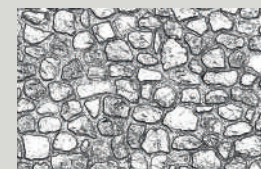
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Sizzix® 3-D Texture Fades™
Embossing Folder Mini Brickwork
Designed By Tim Holtz®



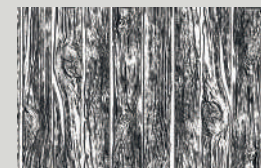
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Treehouse



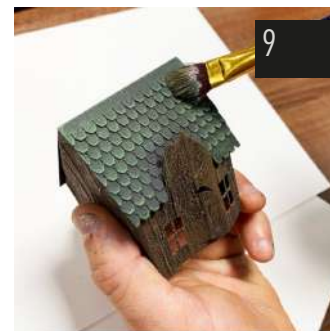
You Will Need:

- Sizzix® Big Shot® Machine (660200) or Sizzix® Big Shot® Foldaway Machine (662500)
- Sizzix® Thinlits® Die Set 87Pk - Village Collection by Tim Holtz® (665564)
- Sizzix® 3-D Texture Fades™ Embossing Folder Mini Lumber Designed By Tim Holtz® (665460)
- Sizzix™ Making Essential - Express Glue, 120ml (664576)
- Acrylic paint (Brown, Ivory, Green)
- Sizzix Effectz™ - Creamy Matte Acrylic Paint, Black, 60ml (664558)
- Sizzix Effectz™ - Crystal Paste, 100ml (665453)
- Sizzix™ Accessory - Glue Gun (662301/663550)
- Cardstock

1. Begin by cutting the two main shapes for the body of the house from black card stock. The front and back of this house element can be distinguished by the cut-out element as shown in the image to the right. The cut-out is designed to fit over the roof element we will use in a later step. Also, cut the small chimney element shown in the image.
2. Choose the style of windows and doors you would like on your house front. There are individual windows and doors in the set and also dies with both windows and door in place. Run the house front element through the die machine with your chosen arrangement of windows and door.
3. Spray each element with water using a spray bottle and let it sit for a minute to allow the water to soak in. This will enable a detailed emboss without tearing the card. Insert the die-cut element into the embossing folder and run through the machine using the instructions on the multi-purpose platform.
4. Lightly brush over the embossed surface created using the embossing folder, brushing over the same areas multiple times until you see some of the paint transfer to the wood effect details. Repeat this technique with the ivory acrylic. Make sure there is not too much paint on your brush as the color should be very subtle in each stage.
5. Cut the corresponding roof base element from black card stock. This element looks like a large rectangle with an embossed folding line running through the middle and a short rectangular cut-out on one side. Cut also, the smaller protruding roof element.
6. Begin folding and building your house. Use a hot glue gun and glue sticks to adhere the elements together by the tabs as it takes a very short time to set and sticks firmly adding structure. When adding the roof, slide the short rectangular cut-out behind the small protruding dormer wall.
7. Die-cut the roof tiling elements from black card. You will need to cut these enough times that you will have enough pieces to alternate when adhering to your roof base, so that the tiles do not line up.
8. Adhere your tile strip elements to the roof base using express glue. Start with the outer lower edges of the roof. This will enable you to overlap the tile strips. The first should be the tile strips either side of the Dormer room which will need to be trimmed down along the diagonal ends of the base using scissors before adhering. Continue adhering the rest of the roof strips, alternating the elements each time so that none of the tiles line up and overlap each strip with the previous. Repeat on the other side of the roof. Then, when finished, fold the roof top element along the embossed folding line and adhere using hot glue on the tabs from the main house element. Also, adhere the Dormer roof element.

9. Using the same dry brushing technique from step 4, apply green paint to the adhered roof tiles, covering both roof elements with a distressed effect. Add the Dormer roof and paint using the same technique as previous step.

10. Finally, add the window frames and doors. Using the wood effect embossing folder, emboss a strip of Kraft Kard. Then, die-cut the window frame and door elements and adhere over the windows and door using Sizzix Express Glue.



Creepy Boarded House

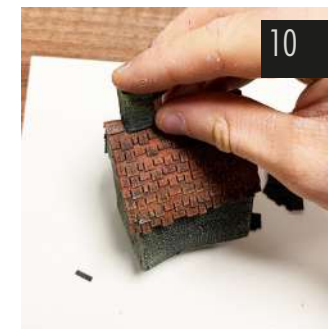
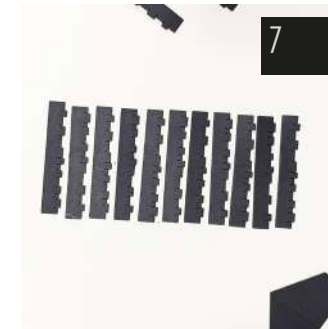
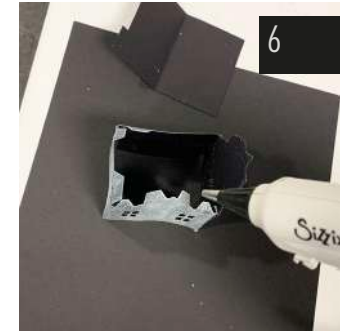
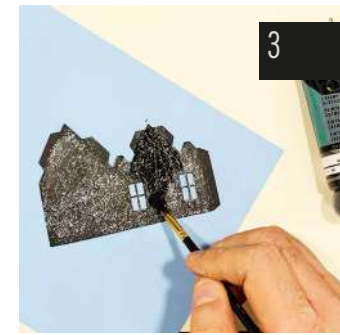


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- Sizzix® Thinlits® Die Set 87Pk - Village Collection by Tim Holtz® (665564)
- Sizzix® 3-D Textured Impressions™ Embossing Folder - Christmas Tree Pattern (665254)
- Sizzix™ Making Essential - Express Glue, 120ml (664576)
- Sizzix™ Accessory - Cutting Mat, 16 1/2" x 11 1/2" (663384)
- Sizzix Effectz™ - Creamy Matte Acrylic Paint, Black, 60ml (664558)
- Sizzix Effectz™ - Crystal Paste, 100ml (665453)

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2. Choose the style of windows and doors you would like on your house front. There are individual windows and doors in the set and also dies with both windows and door in place. Run the house front element through the die machine with your chosen arrangement of windows and door.
3. Apply Sizzix Crystal Paste to the outer surfaces of the elements from the previous step and allow to dry. Once dry, paint again using Sizzix Black Creamy Acrylic Paint and allow to dry. This will create a gritty texture ready to use a dry brush technique on. Try to avoid painting on the tabs around the edge of the elements. You will need to apply double sided tape to these during the building stage.
4. To create the stone wall effect, use a dry brush technique. Take three earthy colors of acrylic paint. Dark brown, medium gray and ivory. Starting with the darkest (brown) take a small amount onto a flat paintbrush, then take the excess off onto a craft mat. Lightly brush over the gritty surface created using the crystal paste, brushing over the same areas multiple times until you see some of the paint transfer to the gritty details. Repeat this technique with the gray, and then the ivory, building the colors from dark to light. Make sure there is not too much paint on your brush as the color should be very subtle in each stage.
5. Cut the corresponding roof base element from black card stock. This element looks like a large rectangle with an embossed folding line running through the middle and a short rectangular cut-out on one side. Cut also, the smaller protruding roof element.
6. Begin folding and building your house. Use a hot glue gun and glue sticks to adhere the elements together by the tabs as it takes a very short time to set and sticks firmly adding structure. When adding the roof, slide the short rectangular cut-out behind the small protruding dormer wall.
7. Die-cut the roof tiling elements from black card. You will need to cut these enough times that you will have enough pieces to alternate when adhering to your roof base, so that the tiles do not line up.

8. Adhere your tile strip elements to the roof base using express glue. Start with the outer edges of the roof, as this will enable you to overlap the tile strips. The first should be the tile strips either side of the Dormer room which will need to be trimmed down along the diagonal ends of the base using scissors before adhering. Continue adhering the rest of the roof strips, alternating the elements each time so that none of the tiles line up and overlap each strip with the previous. Repeat on the other side of the roof. Then, when finished, fold the roof top element along the embossed folding line and adhere using hot glue on the tabs from the main house element. Also, adhere the Dormer roof element.
9. Using the same dry brushing technique from step 4, apply a dark red paint to the adhered roof tiles, covering both roof elements with a distressed effect.
10. Take the chimney element from step 1 and apply the same effects from step 3 and 4, then adhere to the centre of the roof using hot glue.
11. To create the door, cut the door shape from black card and emboss using the wood effect embossing folder. Then use the dry brush effect with the same dark brown paint from step 4. Cut the door outline elements from black card and adhere using express glue. To create the boards covering the windows emboss some Kraft Kard using the same wood effect embossing folder. Cut into tiny oblong shapes to look like planks of wood and adhere using a tiny dab of hot glue to each side. Arrange the 'planks' so they do not run parallel to give a realistic boarded window effect.
12. Finally, using a light green acrylic paint, apply the dry brush effect very subtly over the roof to give the impression of moss. Try not to overdo this step as it is easily done. Just a tiny amount to some key areas such as the roof and bottom of the house

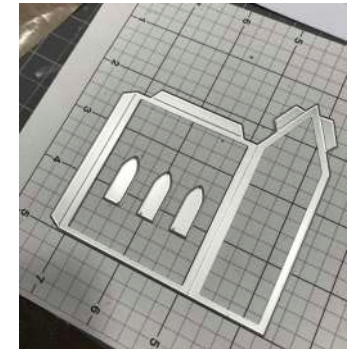
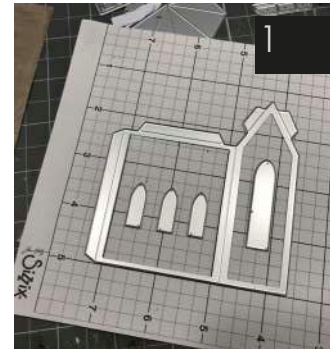


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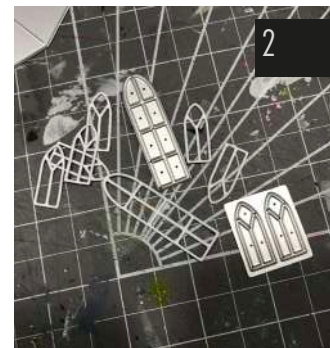
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- Sizzix® Thinlits® Die Set 87Pk – Village Collection by Tim Holtz® (665564)
- Sizzix™ Accessory – Sticky Grid Sheets, 6" x 8 1/2", 5 Pack, Inspired by Tim Holtz® (664928)
- Sizzix™ Making Essential - Express Glue, 120ml (664576)
- Sizzix™ Making Essential - Permanent Adhesive Roller (663474)
- Sizzix™ Accessory - Glue Gun (662301/663550)
- Sizzix™ Accessory – Glue Gun Sticks, 6" Clear, 20 Pack (664821)
- Sizzix™ Making Tool – Fold and Form Tool (664895)
- Heavy Weight White Card

1. Apply a Sizzix Sticky Grid Sheet to one of your cutting mats. Take the die to create the walls of the tall structure and align it with the grid. Next, align the three small and one tall arched windows against the grid before die-cutting the walls. Remove the die-cut and the tall window and repeat the cut.



2. Die-cut all the frames for the windows and attach over the apertures in the walls before folding along the crease lines.



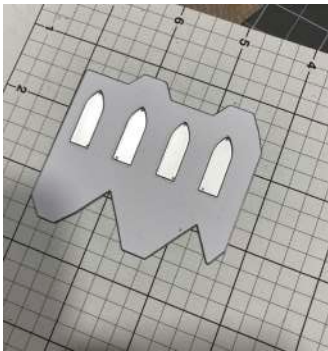
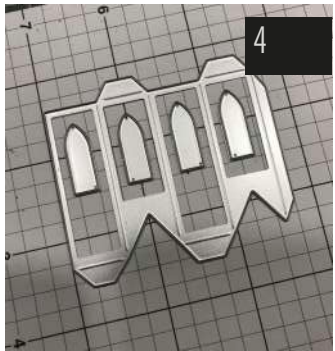
3. Die-cut the porch and its roof. Crease and fold the die-cuts before adding the door detail.



6. Use glue to assemble the walls and attach the main roof before attaching both the assembled porch and bell tower.



4. Take the 'bell tower' die onto the Sticky Grid Sheet and align with the grid. Align the arched aperture windows on the grid and die-cut the bell tower.



5. Fold the bell tower along the crease lines and die-cut four corresponding window frames. Die-cut the pointed roof, fold along the crease lines and form into the tall pyramid using the tab provided. Mount the roof onto the bell tower after attaching the window frames.



Winter House



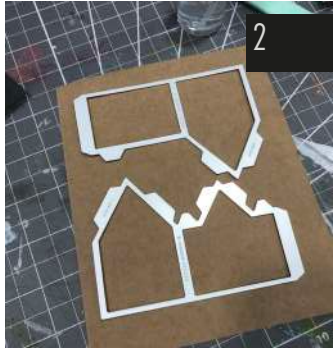
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- Sizzix® Thinlits® Die Set 87Pk – Village Collection by Tim Holtz® (665564)
- Sizzix™ 3-D Texture Fades™ Embossing Folder – Mini Lumber by Tim Holtz® (665460)
- Sizzix™ Making Essential - Express Glue, 120ml (664576)
- Sizzix™ Accessory - Glue Gun (662301/663550)
- Sizzix™ Accessory – Glue Gun Sticks, 6" Clear, 20 Pack (664821)
- Sizzix™ Making Essential - Permanent Adhesive Roller (663474)
- Sizzix™ Making Tool – Fold and Form Tool (664895)
- Sizzix Effectz™ – Crystal Paste (665453)
- Sizzix™ Making Essential – Biodegradable Fine Glitter, White (665456)
- Assorted Matte Acrylics
- Heavy weight Kraft Card - 300gsm
- Paint Brushes
- Spritzer/Mister
- Craft Mat

1. Die-cut the porch from your chosen card and fold along the crease lines. Use a Sizzix Fold & Form tool to create extra sharp creases. Spritz the card with water and emboss in the Mini Cobblestone folder. Spritzing allows the fibres to stretch and gives a deeper, more defined emboss. Once dry, re-fold along the crease lines.



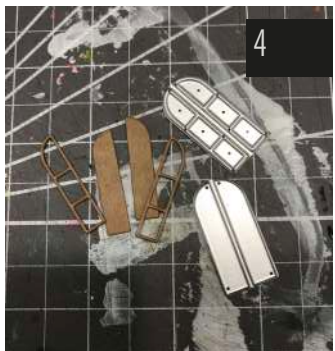
2. Die-cut the walls for the house and fold along the crease lines before die-cutting the window apertures.



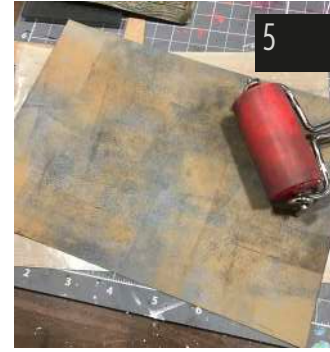
3. Use the Mini Lumber embossing folder to add texture to the walls of the house.



4. Die-cut all the elements needed for the door and window frames.



5. Take a rectangle of gray card and apply several organic acrylic colors using a brayer. Die-cut several sets of 'slates' from the brayered card and dry brush the ends of the slates with a paler color to add extra contrast.



6. There are two main roofs in the set, die-cut the roof with the gap cut in the bottom, this is designed to accommodate the porch. Use your chosen adhesive to attach the first row of tiles and turn the roof over before trimming away the excess. Continue to add overlapping sections of tiles.



7. Use acrylic colors of your choice to apply color to the porch, doors and window frames. Enhance the texture/detail by using a 'dry brush' technique. (Skimm the brush lightly over the card, the aim is to transfer the minimum amount of paint onto the surface) Once dry, attach the doors to the porch.



9. Attach the assembled roof to the main structure of the house before attaching overlapping tiles to the porch roof as before. Trim the tiles to size once attached to follow the shape of the roof.



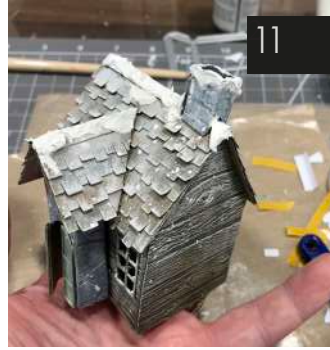
8. Paint the walls of the house with a dark matte acrylic before using a 'dry brush' technique with several shades of acrylic to enhance and reveal the embossed texture. Attach the window frames and assemble the house using the tabs on the side of each wall.



10. Mount the porch onto the front of the house and attach the porch roof. Finally, Die-cut, emboss and paint the chimney in the same style as the porch and mount onto the roof.



11. Use a palette knife to apply Dimensional Paste or Crystal Paste to the roof tops, chimney and window frames to represent melting snow. Dry brush with white acrylic to enhance the 'wintery' effect and apply a light coating of spray adhesive before sprinkling with white glitter.



Haunted Mansion

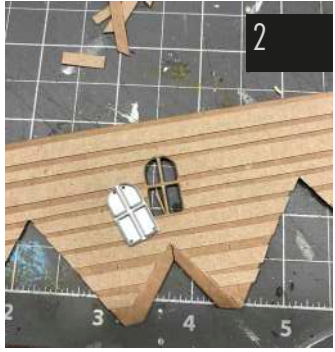
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- Sizzix™ Making Essential - Express Glue, 120ml (664576)
- Sizzix™ Making Essential - Permanent Adhesive Roller (663474)
- Sizzix™ Accessory - Glue Gun (662301/663550)
- Sizzix™ Accessory - Glue Gun Sticks, 6" Clear, 20 Pack (664821)
- Sizzix™ Making Tool - Fold and Form Tool (664895)
- Assorted Matte Acrylics
- Heavy Weight Kraft Card
- Paint Brushes
- Spritzer/Mister
- Craft Mat

1. Collect all the dies needed to create the top floor of the mansion. Cut strips of card and mount them onto a rectangle of the same heavyweight cardstock. Use this card to die-cut the main tower of the mansion. Fold the tower along the crease lines.



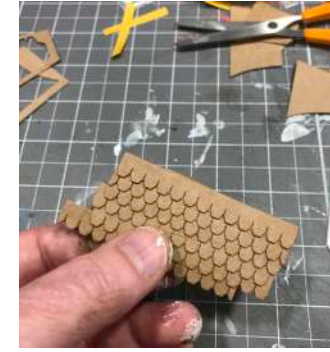
2. Die-cut a window aperture and attach the corresponding die-cut window frame.



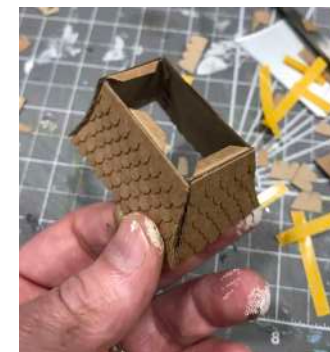
3. Take the die marked 'rooftop' and cut and crease four pieces of card. Attach each piece to the corners of the tower before trimming to size.



4. Die-cut two sets of roof panels to create the main structure of the roof. Die-cut several lengths of roof tiles before attaching them to the four panels so that they overlap. Once in place trim them to size following the contours of the roof panels.



5. Assemble the roof using the tabs provided. Attach the rectangle of die-cut card to the tabs to complete the main roof construction.



6. Apply dark gray or black acrylic to the tower and roof. Choose your color palette depending on the effect you want to achieve (Spooky mansion here!) and use a 'dry brush' technique to apply the colors, working from dark to light.



7. Mount the roof in place and cut two lengths of the 'spiked rail' before applying the same acrylics and mounting onto the top of the roof.



8. Die-cut and assemble the base house using the smaller of the two main structures. Use doors, windows and chimneys of your choosing before applying the colors as with the tower. Mount the assembled tower in place not the base house.



Rustic Cottage



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- Sizzix® Thinlits® Die Set 87Pk - Village Collection by Tim Holtz® (665564)
- Sizzix™ Making Essential - Makers Tape, 2PK (663473)
- Sizzix™ Making Essential - Express Glue, 120ml (664576)
- Sizzix™ Making Essential - Permanent Adhesive Roller (663474)
- Sizzix™ Accessory - Glue Gun (662301/663550)
- Sizzix Effectz™ - 3-D Adhesive, 100ml (664575)
- Sizzix™ Accessory - Glue Gun Sticks, 6" Clear, 20 Pack (664821)
- Sizzix™ Making Tool - Fold and Form Tool (664895)
- Sizzix Effectz™ - Dimensional Paste, White, 150ml (664573)
- Sizzix Effectz™ - Gesso Primer, White, 150ml (664573)
- Assorted Matte Acrylics
- Heavy Weight Kraft Card
- Paint Brushes
- Double Sided Tape
- Sawdust

1. Die-cut the walls and roof from heavy weight card. Place the door/window aperture dies onto the card and secure with Makers Tape to ensure that the dies don't move when passing through the machine.



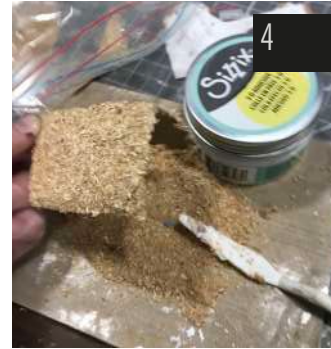
2. Mask off the glue tabs with thin double-sided tape and use a pallet knife to apply a thin, uneven layer of dimensional paste to the walls. Once dry, apply gesso to the walls with a brayer. The effect should appear random to mimic rough plaster rendering. Don't be afraid to let the color of the base card show through in places.



3. Die-cut the parts to create the door along with a window frame before applying your chosen acrylic colors. Use a 'dry brush' technique to add both texture and contrast.



4. Take the die-cut roof and use a palette knife to apply a thick layer of Sizzix 3-D adhesive. Press the roof into sawdust and reapply where necessary to build up the thickness. There are many things that you can use to create this type of texture, I find sawdust both convenient and cheap.



5. Once the glue has dried, brush away any loose pieces of sawdust and coat with a dark base layer of paint. Next, choose a selection of suitable colors of acrylic to mimic the effect of moss before using a 'dry brush' technique to apply the different shades working from dark to light.





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