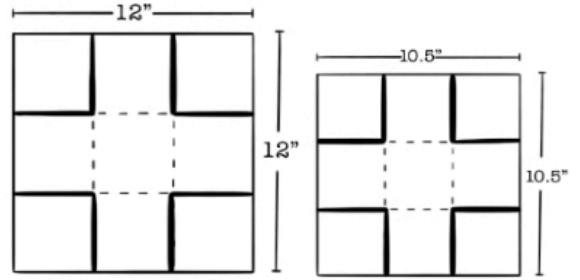


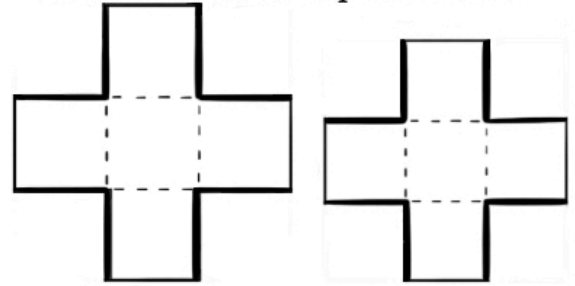
Valentine's Exploding Box Card

Items needed:

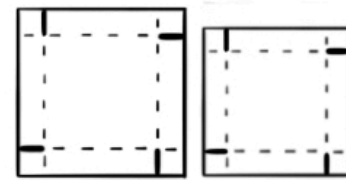
- scissors
- scoreboard
- cutter
- bone folder
- glue
- 7-8 photos that can be cut to 3x3 or 3.5x3.5 inches
- 2 pieces 12x12 inch plain cardstock
- 5 pieces of 12x12 inch double sided cardstock (or more if using single sided.)
- Archer & Olive notepad(s) (I used Neapolitan and rainbow)



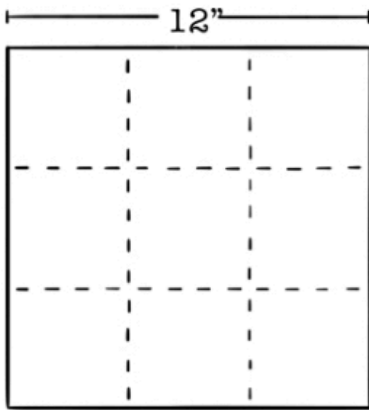
4. For both the 12x12 piece and the 10.5x10.5 piece you will cut out the outer squares (bold lines) and keep the middle scored square intact.



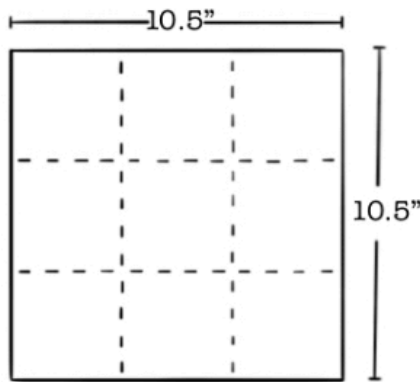
5. Attach the plus-shaped pieces together by gluing the center square of the smaller piece to the middle of the center square of the larger piece. Make sure to leave the four outer flaps unattached.



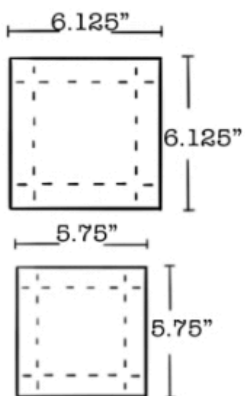
6. Carefully trim a slit on all 4 sides of each lid (in bold) just up to where the score lines meet. These will make tabs that you will fold in and glue. Work your scorelines so that the outer edges make the lip 3D with four tabs. Glue will be added to the outside of the tab and then rotated up and in to the outer portion of the adjacent piece. Remember to tuck them in so that you have a finished look!



1. Take one of the 12x12 inch pieces of paper and score at 4 and 8 inches. Rotate the paper to the right and score again at 4 and 8 inches so that your paper looks like a plus sign.



2. Cut your second piece of 12x12 inch paper to 10.5x10.5 inches. Then score the paper at 3.5 and 7 inches. Rotate the paper to the right and do the score at 3.5 and 7 inches so that it looks like a plus sign.



3. To make the lid for the largest box cut a piece of the double sided cardstock at 6.125x6.125 inches. For the smaller box lid cut the paper to 5.75x5.75 inches. You will then score a 1 inch border around both.

finishing touches

7. Now all there is to do is dress and embellish your card! For matting the larger squares cut eight 3.75x3.75 inch squares and for the smaller box cut nine 3.25x3.25 inch squares. Add photos, embellishments and journaling spots with your Archer & Olive notepad! You can even add in a card and envelope if you want! Have fun being creative!