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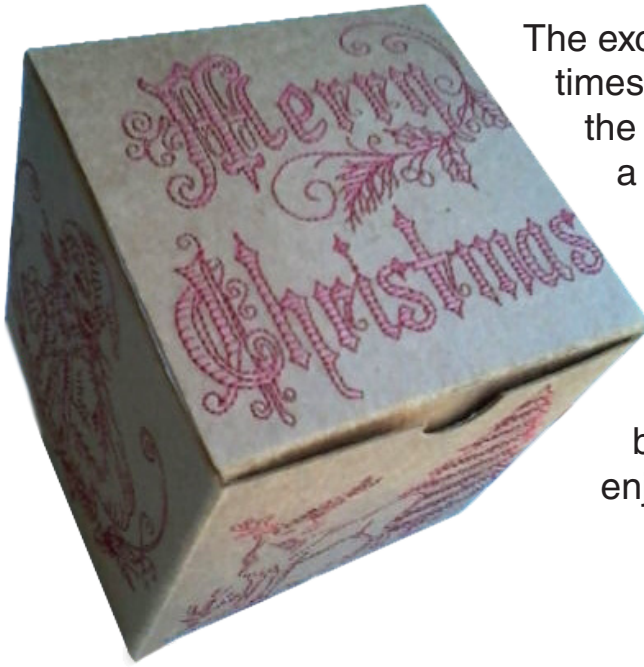




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The excitement of Christmas gift-giving is often times in the wrapping. Imagine the anticipation the receiver will have when it is presented in a nostalgic Vintage Christmas Box stitched with love! Line it with a special giftwrap or fabric for an added surprise when opened.

This is a quick and easy project that will become a cherished décor that may be enjoyed year after year.

MATERIALS NEEDED-

- Floriani Vintage Christmas Collection Signature Design Set
- Perfect Stick
- Appli-Kay-Wonder, cut 18" x 10" and five 4" x 4" squares
- Floriani Polyester Thread, Scarlet 190 or Emerald Green 266
- Walt's Pressing Cloth
- 4" Cube Box- white or natural (*available in the cake decorating section at hobby stores*)
- Christmas Wrapping Paper or Fabric, cut 17" x 10"
- Craft Glue
- Size 11 Embroidery Needle
- Disappearing fine point fabric marker
- Pencil and Scissors

PREPARATION-

1. Cut a piece of Appli-Kay Wonder and wrapping paper (or fabric) 18" x 10".
2. Fuse the two together using Walt's Pressing Cloth.
3. Open box out flat by releasing the glued tab.
4. Use the box as a template. Align the straight edge of the box (*this excludes the bottom tabs*). Trace the outer edge onto the paper side of the Appli-Kay Wonder. Cut out and set aside.
5. Cut five 4" squares of Appli-Kay Wonder. Press one to the wrong side of each side and the top. **DO NOT REMOVE PAPER BACKING.**



(step 5)

INSTRUCTIONS-

6. Select 5 designs. (*Reduce slightly if necessary to fit within each 4" side.*)
7. Hoop Perfect Stick in a standard-sized hoop with the paper-side up. Use a pin to score the paper diagonally. Pull the 4 sections back and tear away the paper to expose the "tacky" surface.
8. Use a disappearing marker to mark the center of each side and top. (*This is easily done by drawing corner to corner on each side. This will make it easy to align the center needle position of each motif.*)
9. Place each side onto the tacky hoop, so the needle aligns with the center marking. Stitch.



(step 9)



Tip: After completing the first side, carefully remove the box. Trim the uneven edges of Stabilizer into an open square, as shown.

Patch the opening with Perfect Stitch, paper side up. Pull the paper off before replacing the box. Repeat the step above and stitch.



10. *Note- it may be necessary to stitch some sections up-side-down to make stitching easier. Be sure to rotate the design.*



11. After completing the 5 sides, remove the paper backing from the Wrapping Paper.
12. Align the edges of the lining and box. Smooth the lining. Cover with Walt's Press Cloth and press. Fuse the two together with the lining on top.
13. Glue the tab back onto the box.



Insert a special trinket and present to a friend.