Hi everyone

We must open the March newsletter by saying a huge thanks to Tamara & Jenn for looking after the shop & classes whilst we were on holidays. Sadly, not everyone got to attend their classes during the snap lockdown, but we will attempt re-book these soon. It was easy to relax & unwind knowing that our business was in such safe hands. Our holiday was not quite what we had planned, but in these uncertain times it was great to have a break.

It's also great to have less-strict Covid 19 restrictions & for now there is no need to wear masks in our shop if you are able to socially distance from others. As we know these conditions are very changeable & we will re-instate signs on our windows if the situation changes again. We still have separate shop & class hours due to density requirements so shopping hours will remain at **Monday to Saturday from 1-30 - 4pm** until further notice. We understand than some of you prefer to shop in the mornings & that can be arranged on a handful of days that have no classes. Simply contact us & we'll organise a time for you - otherwise there is no need to make an appointment. We are continuing to record names & phone numbers on a visitors list for Covid-19 records. Thanks for your understanding in these challenging times!!

Product of the month for March is patterned paper. All full-priced individual patterned paper sheets will be 20% off this month.

What's new:-

• Our new release stamps from Darkroom door arrived today. How wonderful to see more great quality products from an Aussie company. We have new Sentiment strips including Mother's day, Father's day & get well soon. We also have new sketched number stamps to match the sketched alphabet set, a gorgeous daisy delight background stamp & a new Abstract strip stamp.



- Our Mintay "Glam Rock" delivery arrived a couple of weeks ago. It has some fabulously feminine, music, make-up & floral themes to suit all ages. Black, gold & white are the base colours with splashes of antique pink. We have 6x6 paper pads, 12x12 paper packs, sticker sheets & individual 12x12 papers. We hope to have some projects using this range next month.
- There has been a run on postbound 12x12 scrapbook albums during Covid ISO so we have introduced some new colours & designs as pictured below. We have pink glitter & rustic brown (both with a photo windows), nautical navy/white stripe, leafy green with gold foiling & plain red, black & aqua. We also have large 25-page refill packs for those who are on a scrapbooking roll.



- We have a new range of Sizzix storage envelopes in stock. We have 4 sizes including the standard size $5\frac{1}{4} \times 6\frac{1}{2}$ " in both portrait & landscape orientation.
- We've just received another shipment from Lavinia stamps & they finally have their gorgeous Elements ink pads back in stock. We have a full range of all 12 colours & have more coming as they are very popular. We also have lots of new additions to our ever-growing Lavinia stamp collection & need to get a bigger shop!!! Here are some of our latest favourites: -



• The new Distress ink colour Kitsch Flamingo arrived a few weeks ago & it's a hit! I would describe it as a candy pink. We have plenty of stock of distress ink & reinker, oxide ink & re-inker, oxide spray & embossing glaze.

New Classes

Tamara has a fabulous new class using Mica flakes, alcohol ink, shaker domes & new Paper rose dies. In this class you will create 3 cards using these delicate flakes & learn some more great ways to use alcohol ink.

Jenn has a couple of fabulous new classes this month. In class one you create 3 beautiful cards using Cosmic shimmer Glitter kiss, gilding polish & several new Tim Holtz 3D embossing folders. You will learn some great ways to use these products to add dimension & a subtle sparkle & sheen to your cards

In Class 2 you create 3 cards learning gel press techniques. Cards will be on display soon.

Classes with availability in March

- Friday 12th March 10am 1pm 3 cards using Mica flakes with Tamara \$25
- Saturday 13th March 10am 1pm 3 Cosmic shimmer cards with Jenn \$25
- Thursday 18th March 9-30am-12-30pm 3 gel press cards with Jenn \$25
- Friday 19th March 10am 1pm 3 alcohol ink alloy & glitter cards with Chris \$25
- Thursday 25th March 10am 1pm 3 cards distress crayons with Chris \$25
- Tuesday 30th March 10am 1pm 3 cards using Mica flakes with Tamara \$25

New 10 card class using Kaisercraft Morning Dew range with Chris

We make a combination of masculine/feminine cards with a modern garden theme in green, pale grey & white tones. We include some creative folds, gel-press & alcohol ink techniques. We have completed a few of these classes on Sundays doing all 10 cards, but many ladies would prefer to do them in 2 classes of 5 cards each. The following classes are all 2-part classes & need to be done in 2 sessions. March/April dates are as follows:-

- Monday 29th March 9-30am 1pm part 1 five cards \$30) these two classes
- Wednesday 31st March 9-30am 1pm part 2 five cards \$30) are done together
- Wednesday 24th March 9-30am 1pm part 1 five cards \$30) these two classes
- Wednesday 28th April 9-30am 1pm part 2 five cards \$30) are done together

This card set was designed 12 months ago & the papers have since been discontinued. There is not likely to be too many more of these classes as we have a limited amount of materials to make up kits.

Chris is also repeating a 10-card class using the **Couture Creations "Sunburnt Country"** 6x6 paper pad. We use these fabulous Aussie papers to make a waterfall card, shaker card & do some stamping, colouring & alcohol ink backgrounds. This class will be in two parts on: -

- Tuesday 9th March 9-30am 1pm part 1 five cards \$30)
- Tuesday 13th April 9-30am 1pm part 2 five cards \$30)

We will be closed on Monday the 8th March for the Labour day public holiday.

We will also be closed over the Easter break from 2nd - 5th April (Good Friday - Easter Monday). We will re-open on Tuesday 6th April. Wishing you all a happy & safe Easter break. We're keeping everything crossed that we will all be able to travel to our favourite Easter destinations.

Keep smiling 😊



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