

Hi everyone,

What an amazing, but exhausting week it has been for the team at Coldstream Creations!! We enjoyed 3 fabulous workshops with Aida Domisiewicz from 13@rts at the Coldstream Community Centre last weekend & managed to get home in time to watch a nail-biting AFL grand final. Perfect timing & a great win by the magpies!! Many thanks to Tamara, Jenn, Vanessa, Sue, Casey, Georgia, Maddy & Emma for helping to make our weekend such a success. Aida is now on her way to further workshops in Gundagai & Adelaide so our lives will return to some kind of normal. We are already working on some dates for future workshops after such a successful event.

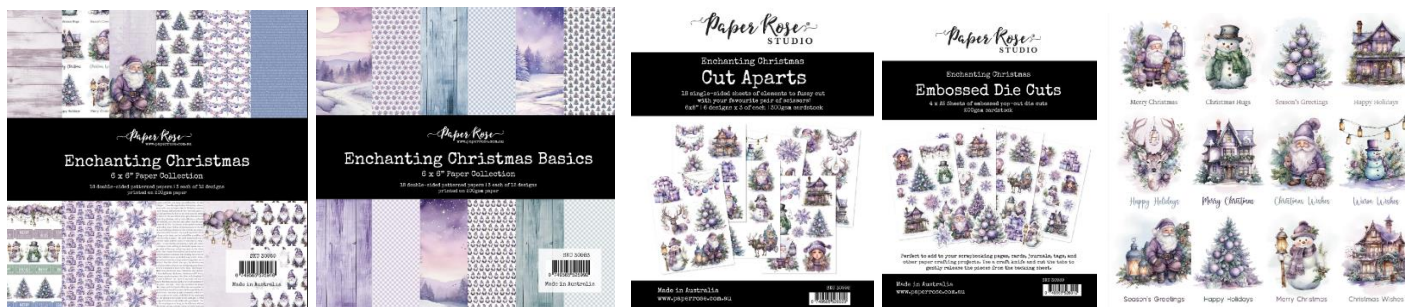
We now need to make a lot more room for new 13@rts products so we are having a big clearance sale. All discontinued stock from the back rooms (excluding 12x12 paper & paper packs) will be reduced by a further 50% while stocks last. These items are already reduced so a further 50% is crazy!!

What's new:-

- After spending the weekend playing with Aida we have some new 13@rts products to show you. The watercolour paints are excellent quality according to our painting experts. We have a large 16 colour set as well as a small 6 colour set with ½-sized pans. We also have a selection of fabulous acrylic inks in black & white and four lovely glittery colours including gold, silver, copper & green. We have pink & turquoise glitter inks coming with our next order soon. We also used some beautiful mica pigment powders called "color glow" & we have a range of colours coming with our next order. These will be in our November newsletter along with a link to a great video showing their many uses. Now to find a place for these products!!



- Many of you have been enquiring about the tiny 2mm clear gemstones from Couture Creations. We are pleased to say they are back in stock. Their last batch was produced in the 3mm size by mistake, so they have been out of stock of their most popular size for months.
- We are delighted to have one of the new Christmas ranges from Paper Rose "Enchanting Christmas" & have already re-ordered more as it is selling fast. This is a gorgeous colour combination of soft purples & sage green with traditional Christmas themes. Both Chris & Vanessa will be teaching Christmas card classes using this paper range during October & November so keep an eye out for them on display at the shop. The items we have in stock are pictured below.



- Pictured below are some new Paper Rose Christmas dies. We have the very handy Christmas foliage with holly & berry sprigs as well as the lovely ornate layering bauble set.
- If you prefer more traditional Christmas colours, we ordered a small quantity of the new "Have a holly jolly Christmas" range from Echo Park. We have 6x6 paper pads & a few co-ordinating 12x12 papers.

- Sticking with the theme is the Woodware "Useful Christmas" sentiment stamps set pictured below



- Pictured above are some of the new Christmas products from Tim Holtz including the "big tidings" die set, "Holiday knit" 3D embossing folder & a fabulous layering stencil with stars. There were many other dies & stencils in this range, but there are not many places to put them so we are arranging special orders for anyone who would like them.
- For something other than Christmas, our latest Lavinia stamps order has arrived with their new Halloween range. Whilst this festival is not so big in Australia, we did like some of the new stamps. It appears that some of you did too as both of the books stamps have already sold out. We will be ordering more prior to Christmas.



- We have some of the new stamp & die sets from Couture creations with masculine sporting themes. These are well-priced, good quality sets for all occasions. We have the motocross, truck & cycling set as pictured above.
- For those of you that love Simon Hurley, we not only have the new copper lunar paste, but we also have the 6 new solar paste colours. We hope to have a play with these later this month & will show you some examples of their use.

Classes

Card-making There is plenty of Christmas card-making happening at the moment. Our latest class details & dates with availability are listed below.

Chris has been busy with a few new Christmas card sets. The largest 10 card set is using the Echo Park "Gnome for Christmas" 6x6 paper pad. These traditional red, white & green cards have some interesting folds & we have repeated some techniques we have used throughout the year including gilding flakes, pixie powders, gilding wax & a shaker card. The set is relatively simple so the cards can be made in multiples for a busy card-making season. It can be done as a 10-card class or two 5 card classes.

Chris has also created a 5 card set using the gorgeous new **Enchanting Christmas** range from Paper Rose. These cards are using the 6x6 paper pad with interesting folds & flaps, but without any messy techniques to get you hands dirty.

However, if you would like to get your hands dirty then Chris's **Inky Christmas backgrounds** are more your style. In this class we make 6 different A5 cards using 6 different background techniques. We use alcohol ink, distress oxide ink, watercolour pencils, Lavinia mica sprays, pixie powders & Lavinia inks with gel press. We add a Paper Rose "Nature Stroll festive" tag to each card to add a delightful Aussie flavour. This class takes a little longer than usual as there is a lot of drying time for inky techniques & we make 6 cards. It's best to allow 3½ hours.

Tamara is in the process of creating 3 wonderful new Christmas cards using the Paper Rose Merry Little Christmas background pages in traditional colours of red & green & brown. We hope that these cards will be on display soon.

Vanessa has some fabulous Christmas cards on display using Mintay "White Christmas" as well as Paper Rose "Merry Little Christmas" Neither of these classes have any availability this month, but we can certainly book some November dates if you are interested.

By popular demand Vanessa is going to repeat her amazing Paper Rose "Home for Christmas" card set. You will create 4 rustic Christmas cards featuring home-made dried orange slices for texture & dimension, along with some other fabulously festive cards including an easel & z-fold.

Many of our Card-making classes are booked out for October. Those with availability include: -

- Saturday 14th October - 11am -2pm 10am - 5 Enchanting Christmas cards with Chris \$32
- Wednesday 18th October - 9-30am - 1pm - 6 Christmas background technique cards with Chris \$32
- Thursday 19th October - 10am -1pm - 4 Merry Little Christmas cards with Tamara \$28
- Tuesday 24th October - 9-30am - 1pm - 6 Christmas background technique cards with Chris \$32
- Thursday 26th October - 10am - 1pm - 4 "Home for Christmas" cards with Vanessa \$28
- Friday 27th October - 9-30am - 12-30pm - 5 Enchanting Christmas cards with Chris \$32
- Monday 30th October - 10am - 4pm - 10 Gnome for Christmas cards with Chris \$60
- Tuesday 31st October - 9-30am - 1pm - 6 Christmas background technique cards with Chris \$32
- Thursday 2nd November - 9-30am - 12-30pm - 5 Enchanting Christmas cards with Chris \$32
- Tuesday 7th November (Melb cup day) - 10am - 4pm - 10 Gnome for Christmas cards with Chris \$60

Art Journaling

Meagan has only one class with availability in October & that is her "Fly" page. She will be using the gorgeous PRIMA Aquarelle dreams papers & teaching you how to integrate them into your background using gesso, texture paste and pixie powders.

- Sunday 15th October 1pm - 4pm - "Fly" art journaling with Meagan \$30

We will be open on Tuesday 7th November "Melbourne Cup day" from 11am -3pm. AFL football is clearly more important than horse racing 😊

Keep smiling



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