

Miniature Victorian Treasure Boxes



Create a lovely Treasure Box with only **ONE** stamp!

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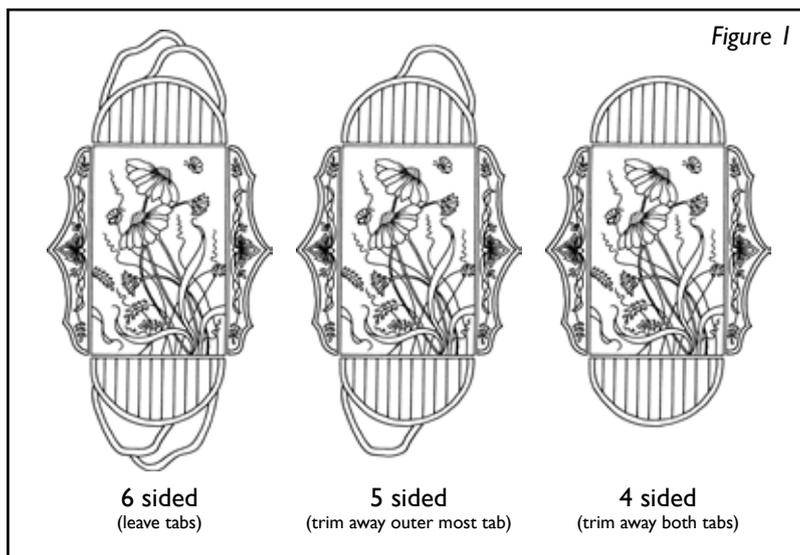
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With Matching Medallion Topper

The Victorian Treasure Box image creates an elegant miniature gift box for giving a very special small gift. It is also a lovely way to store small special treasures such as jewellery or other memorabilia. The box itself is also a special gift. Embellish with glitter, metallic watercolour, beads, jewels and ribbon. Fill with colour co-ordinated tissue paper and finish with a matching miniature Medallion Topper. The box may be six, five or four sided and all with one carefully designed image from Creative Expressions Holly Berry House Originals collection.

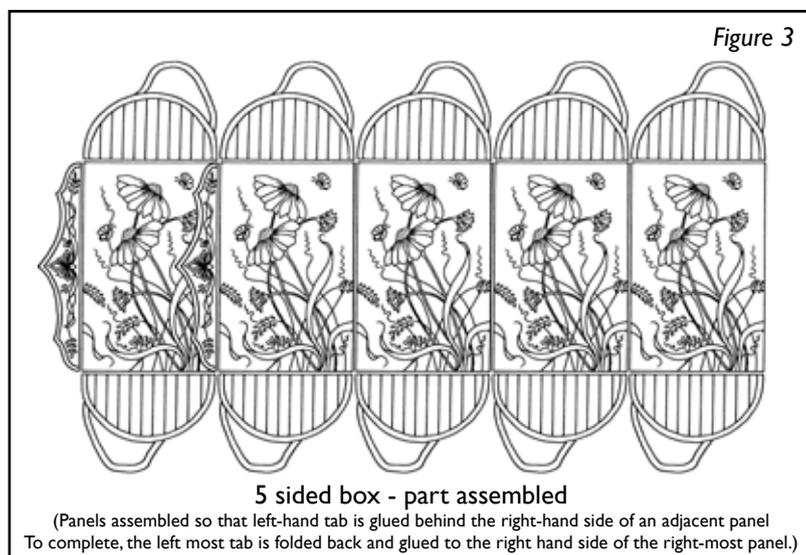
Instructions

- 1) Stamp and emboss either six, five or four images of your chosen Treasure Box image depending on the number of sides required.
- 2) Carefully cut out the images, cutting close to the embossing edge without cutting into the embossing. Follow the cutting guide appropriate for the box you have chosen. (Figure 1)
- 3) Cut off the tabs from the right hand side of the images, carefully following along the score line. (Figure 2)



- 4) Score along the score lines on the top, bottom and left hand side of the image using a bone folder or embossing tool. It is very important to the alignment of the box that these score lines are straight down the channel.
- 5) Decorate selected areas of all of the box panels before assembling using your choice of colouring medium i.e. Art Glitters, Twinkling H2O's or Glitter Pens.

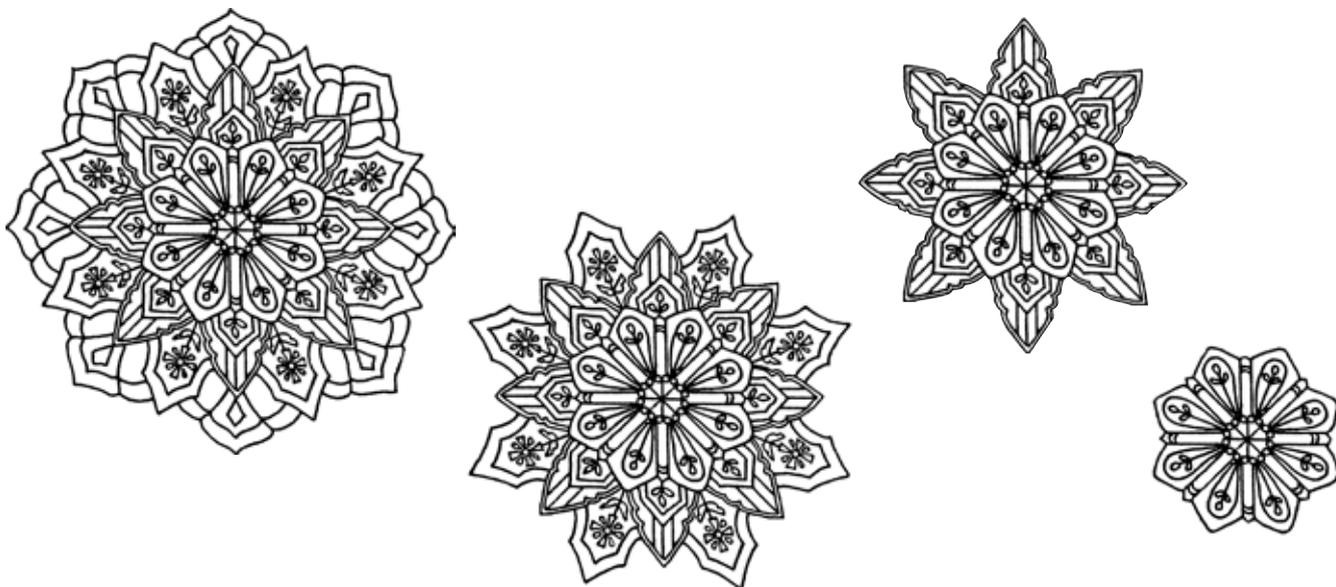
- 6) Glue the pieces together using the remaining side tabs. The left hand tab will be glued behind the right hand side of an adjacent box panel. Be careful to line up perfectly with parallel lines and corners. When all of the pieces are in place your box will look similar to Figure 3.



- 7) Bring the last side around and glue the last tab, creating the box.
- 8) Carefully fold the bottom box tabs, one over the other.
- 9) Insert the bottom liner to give the box shape and stability while gluing the tabs to the bottom liner with each other.
- 10) Fold the top tabs in one over the other. Let the box rest while you begin the Medallion Topper.

Medallion Topper - Cutting Guide

The Treasure Box Medallions are designed to create a “box-topper” for their matching Treasure Boxes. Use all of the layers of the Medallion for the five and six-sided boxes. Use only the smaller layers for the four-sided boxes. See below for instructions to attach the Medallion to the box with ribbon only, for a fully removable Treasure Box topper.



(Medallion topper pictured: HH1172H - Windsong)

Medallion Treasure Box Topper

These directions demonstrate a creative method of attaching the Treasure Box Medallion Toppers to the Treasure Boxes so they are removable, re-usable and never damaged by glue, tape or sticky foam pads.

1) Cut approximately 40 inches of ribbon.

2) Fold in half and tie a knot at the fold leaving a $\frac{3}{4}$ " loop. (Fig. 1)

3) Separate the 2 ribbon ‘tails’ and slide knot into the lowest layer of the Medallion at the cushion level. (Fig. 2) Take one ribbon tail around each side of the cushion. Bring the ribbons together on the opposite side of the Medallion and tie a firm knot. (Fig. 3) With the Medallion resting on the top of the box, take the ribbons together down one side of the box to the loop. Thread one ribbon through the loop from the right and thread the other ribbon through the loop from the left. Tighten and tie a bow.

Optionally, before you tie the bow you may thread other ribbons through the loop to create a multi-coloured bow.

Fig. 1

$\frac{3}{4}$ " loop



Fig. 2

Cushion level

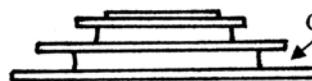


Fig. 3

Victorian Treasure Box Templates

Base Templates

Each Treasure Box has a template to be used as a pattern to cut a cardstock shape that is to be placed in the bottom of the box. It creates a liner for the bottom of the box, a surface to glue the bottom flaps to and it gives the box stability. It should be cut out of the same weight cardstock as the box itself.

Turn the box upside down and fold in the bottom flaps, one over the other. Turn the box right side up and set it on a level surface. Apply glue to the appropriate cardstock shape (six, five or four sided) and, glue side down. Carefully slide the cardstock shape into the bottom of the box matching the box shape.

Optionally, slide the cardstock shape into the bottom of the box without glue, turn the box upside down and gently lift up the bottom flaps and apply glue. Lastly, reach into the box and firmly press the cardstock shape to the bottom flaps.

