

Spring Treat Cards - Cricut Instructions

Materials

- Cricut cutting machine
- Cricut Design Space (DS software) on ipad or computer
- Print then cut .svg file(s) uploaded into DS ([Bunny Bait](#), [Leprechaun Bait](#), [Birthday Balm](#))
- Cutting Mat
- Cardstock
- Glue sticks
- Wireless color printer
- Plastic Lip Balm/Money Holder (<https://a.co/d/ONDuwKF>) for birthday card
- Small glass jars (<https://a.co/d/3ILAyE2>) for “bait “cards
- Funnel for filling glass jars (optional)
- Oats with colored sprinkles/bird seed (optional)
- Tubes of lip balm (optional)

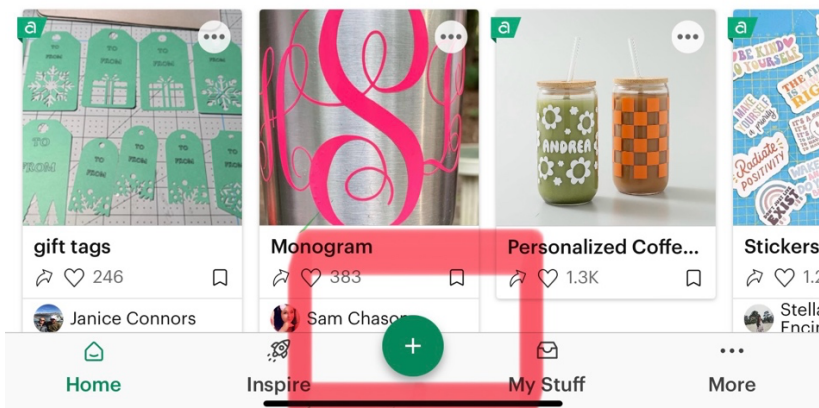
iPad Setup

- **Note:** each cutting machine can only be connected via Bluetooth to one device (iPad) at a time.
 - Go to **Settings** on the iPad and confirm **Bluetooth** is off until you’re ready to print and cut your design to avoid conflicts.

Preparing and Printing the Image

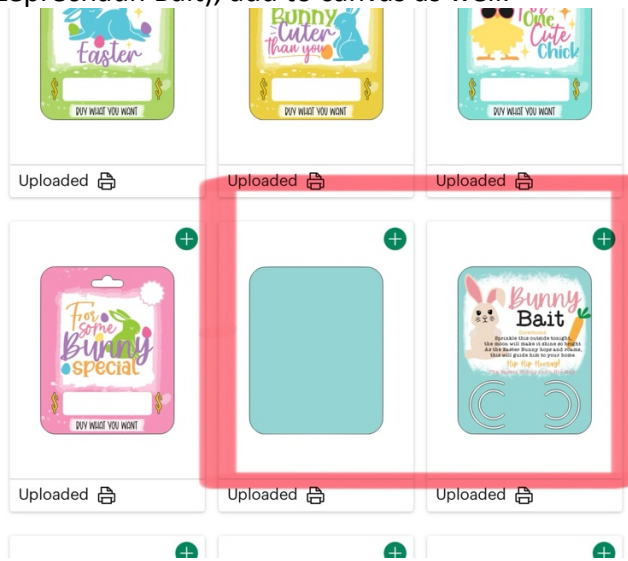
- Open the Cricut Design Space app on your iPad.
- Click on the green + circle to begin a new project.

Projects for You



- From the menu bar at the bottom click **Upload** the **Open Uploaded Images**.

- Choose your design, click **Add to Canvas. View**. If your design needs backing (Bunny or Leprechaun Bait), add to canvas as well.



- For this example, we will be working on the Bunny Bait card, but the process will be the same for all “bait” cards. The Plastic Lip Balm/Money Holder requires no second piece for backing.

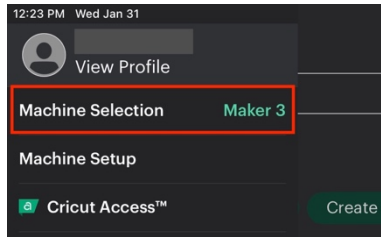
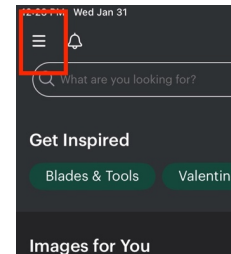
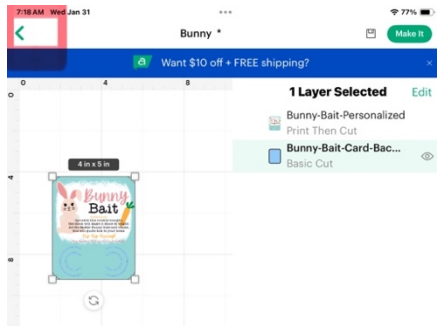
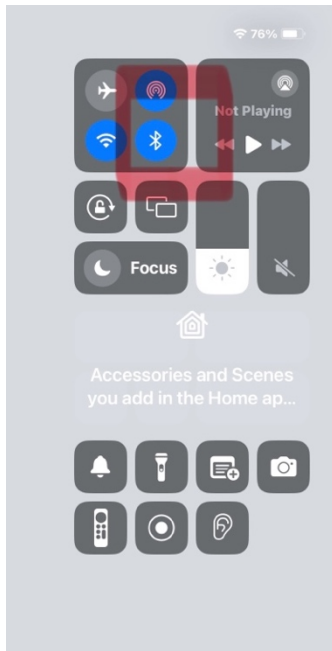
Sizing

- For “Bait” cards with glass jars, resize the cards to 4” x 5”.
 - Click on **Layers**, highlight the layers for the front and back cards.
 - Click **Edit**, then **Align** and **Center** this will stack the two layers on top of each other.
 - Click **Group** to treat both layers as one.
 - Change the Width to 4” (the height should automatically adjust to 5”).
- Change the back to Cut only (not Print and Cut).
 - Highlight Bunny-Bait-Card-Backing layer in the Layers panel.
 - Under **Operation**, click on **Basic Cut**. Color doesn’t matter because it will be the color of the cardstock of your choice.

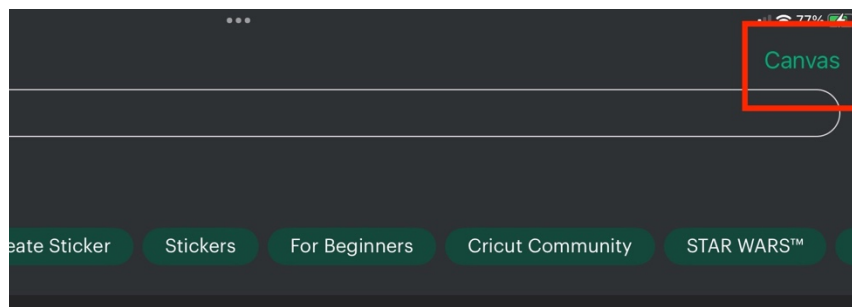


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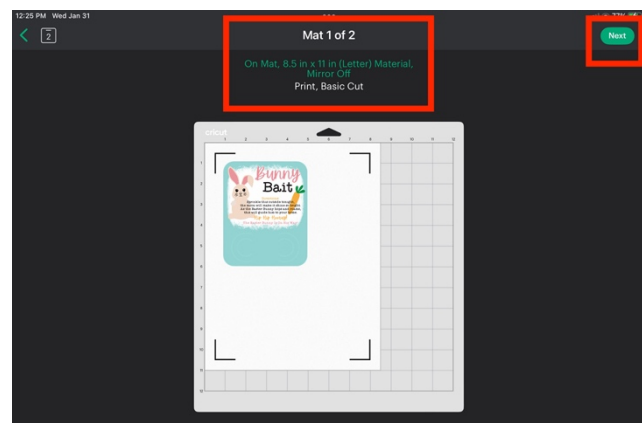
- At this point, you can connect the iPad to the Cricut. Swipe down from the upper-right corner of the iPad screen and turn on Bluetooth. Swipe up to return to DS. Click the green < button, then menu bar, and machine selection.



- Click Canvas when all steps are completed.



- Click **Make It**, you will see “Mat 1 of 2” and “Print, Basic Cut” at the top.
- Click **Next**.
- Choose the wireless, color printer and load 65 lb white cardstock in it.
- Set Material, find “Cardstock intricate cut”.
- Once the design has printed on the cardstock, stick it to the Cricut cutting mat and load it into the Cricut.
- Click the blinking light on the Cricut.
- The Cricut will read the registration marks on the cardstock and then cut the design.
- Unload the mat.
- Place another piece of cardstock, in a color coordinated with the printed card, on the mat and load into the Cricut to cut the backing.



- NOTE: when removing cardstock from the mat, do not lift the cardstock up off the mat as this will cause it to curl. Instead, turn the mat upside/sticky side down and roll the mat back and away from the cardstock.

Assembly

- "Bait" Cards
 - Glue along the edge of the back of the front/printed card, being careful not to glue inside of cutout areas, where the small jar will be inserted. You want the cut flaps to remain free to lift up.
 - Align the corners with the backing and press the front and back together.
 - Lift the flaps.
 - Fill the jars with oats and sprinkles (you can use glitter here, but no one likes cleaning that up so use with caution 😊).
 - Slide the jars into the flaps.
- Lip Balm/Money Holder Cards
 - Attach adhesive strips to edges of plastic holder.
 - Remove remaining backing from adhesive strips.
 - Insert lip balm or money into plastic holder.
 - Attach plastic holder, with money or lip balm inside, to the card in the area indicated.