

Book9: Be My Valentine for 1" dollhouse scale (1:12)



Required tools and supplies:

- X-acto knife and fresh blade
- A thin metal straightedge ruler. Make fold lines by pressing against edge of the ruler. A thin metal nail file works the best for the smaller items.
- Tweezers and scissors
- Good cutting mat (cardboard will ruin your blades **and** project)
- Fast-grab, quick-dry white craft glue that dries clear
- Small piece of aluminum foil to use as a disposable glue pot
- Slender, flat artist's paint brush to apply glue. This will be used for most of the glueing.
- An acid-free glue stick
- Optional: tissue for boxes and bags; ribbon for handles and ties

Desk Caddy

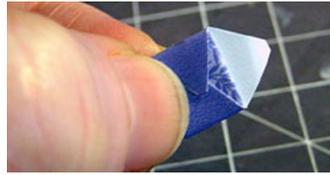
1. Fold the main piece of the desk caddy at all fold lines. You will see a box shape appear when folds are in place.
2. Use the artist's brush and paint glue to side tabs found on box shape. Use tweezers to press down glued seams.
3. Fold down and glue the lining panels found at the top perimeter edge. This gives the top edges a finished appearance.



4. Take the base piece. Fold in half and glue blank sides together. Center panel under box bottom and glue into place.

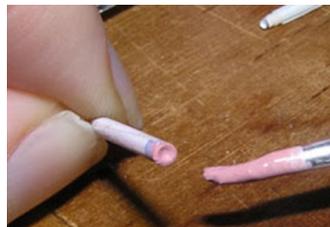
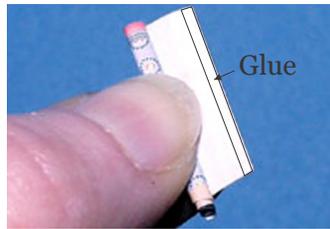
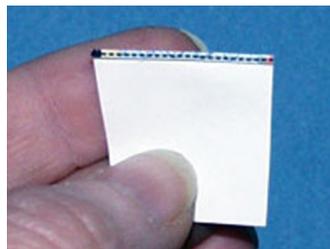
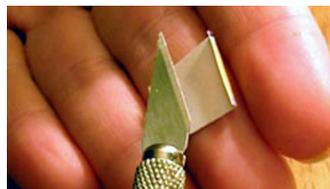
Envelope

1. Fold the four triangle sides.
2. The bottom triangle is folded up first and a drop of glue placed at its tip.
3. Fold the two side triangles against it. If the glue slips and dries to the inside of the envelope, use a blade tool to open the envelope.



Pencil

1. Cut out pencil. Use a needle or blade tool to press a crease along large end where dotted line appears, as shown in illustration. This helps in the rolling process.
2. You may want to fold one more time before you start rolling the pencil piece.
3. Roll pencil as tightly as possible. Start over if the roll is not straight and tight.
4. Spread a very thin layer of glue to length of end. Hold the seam until glue is thoroughly dry.
5. Use pink and black paint or felt tip pens to color 'eraser' and 'lead' ends to cover white paper and add realism to your pencils.





Desk Caddy, Cards, Envelopes and Post Cards Assembly Instructions

Follow instructions on previous page for caddy.

Follow instructions on previous page for envelopes. First fold the Valentine cards in half and use to make sure the envelope will be the right size.

Fold post cards in half and glue blank sides together.



Candy Box Assembly

1. Fold all the pieces before beginning.
2. Apply quick-grab glue to for corner tabs of the box lid.
3. Press tabs to inner surface of box. Use a pair of tweezers to get a good clean bond.
4. Apply a thin coat of glue to striped lining panels.
5. Press as tightly as possible with tweezers. If there is a lot of bulk to the wall, then your lid may not fit over the box bottom.
6. Apply a thin coat of glue to the folded blank side of the lid's decorative panel. Fold in half and press tightly for a clean bond.
7. Apply a thin coat of glue to the top of the box lid.
8. Center and press securely the decorative panel to the box lid.
9. Cut to size the inner lining and glue into place. Repeat steps 2 through 9 for the box bottom.
10. Insert the candy tray you wish to use. Tutorial steps for candy appear below after the steps for the Friendship Card Case.
11. Place glue to the two tabs. The Friendship Card Case should already have its creases in place.
12. Use a pair of tweezers to press the glued tabs to the inner surface of the back panel. Once dried you may place the tiny friendship cards into the case
13. Candy: If you are using the pre-printed candy tray, use a clear dimensional compound (such as Plaid's Dimensional Magic) and place a tiny drop to each printed bonbon.

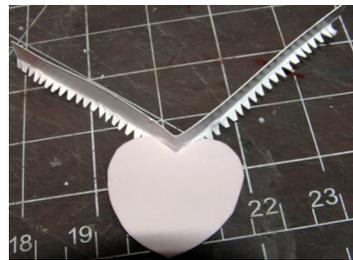


Wine and Gift Box do not need instructions.



Lidded Heart Candy Box

1. If you have the skill to make candy pieces, you may consider stocking your candy box with those. Note: photos may look different from your project, but the assembly is identical.



2. Cut out the pieces and use a straight-edge metal ruler to fold the tabs. This ensures they are even and lined up.
3. Fold the strip for the box top in half. Begin to glue the tabs to the underside of the box top lining/ interfacing.



4. Here is the back side of the box when all tabs are glued.
5. Trim the siding and glue at the point of the heart.



6. Glue the decorative panel to the tabbed side of the box.
7. Repeat steps for the bottom.



1. Cut out all pieces. Press against the ruler to make folds as shown in the photo.

2. Here is the project with all folds made.

3. Use the small artist's brush with glue to glue down the perimeter edges, including the little one between the folder's pockets. As you will see I forgot mine! Do not glue pockets at this time.

4. Take the tweezers and press the perimeter's edgings.

5. Draw a line across the folder above where the pockets will land. Glue the ribbon along that line.



6. Glue the lining panel centered to the inside. Notice the little tab that didn't get glued down...it should have been before this step.



7. Glue down the pockets' respective tabs.



8. As shown here, use the ruler to make the bend on either side of the spine.



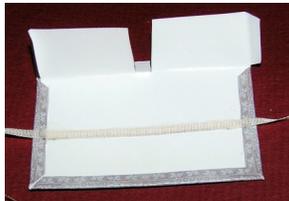
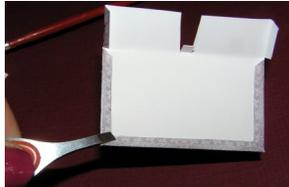
9. Place an invitation (or thank you card) in the center of an envelope, fold as shown.



10. Place a dot of glue on the two bottom flaps and press. If you accidentally glue flaps to the back of the envelope, take your blade tool and slice the bond free.



11. Fill the pockets with your wedding items. Tie it shut with a bow.



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Gift Bag Assembly

1. Cut out pieces and fold at crease lines, then and glue side seam. Items shown in photos are of the 12" fashion doll scale. Press bond with your fingers or cotton swab.

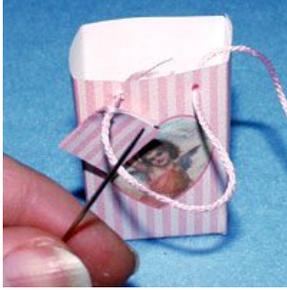
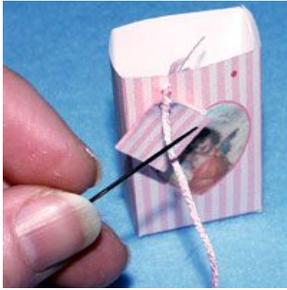
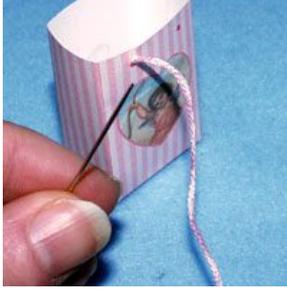
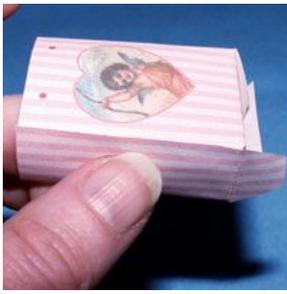
2. Glue large bottom tabs to the small tabs at base of bag.

3. Make handles. thread needle with embroidery floss, and knot end. For larger scale gift bags you can use thin ribbon or trim. Pull floss through from inside of bag.
Note: Ribbon is somewhat easier to do. Cut a 1-1/2 length of ribbon and glue to the inside of the bag to create a handle. Repeat for other handle. There is a Gift Bag Stuffer (see below) tutorial that shows these types of handles.

4. Thread tag onto floss.

5. Pierce needle through next handle point and pull to desired handle length. Knot end of floss. Repeat instructions for other handle.

6. Tissue Stuffing: See the Paper Minis Generic Tutorials, Tissue Bag Stuffer



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