

These are CUTE goody bags and just perfect for Halloween or a monster themed party...open the flap and inside is a bag with plenty of room to house treats.

I plan to make a bunch for my girls' classmates for this year's Halloween treats - they are fun and easy and I think the kids are just going to LOVE them!

May I introduce you to Mr & Ms Monster...



They are very economical to make as they use just one sheet of 12x12 cardstock and whatever you have to hand to decorate them with.

Here is a side view of them...



And here is my tutorial so that you can make your own monster bags – have fun and be creative!

Take a sheet of 12x12 cardstock in the color of your choice...



Cut to be 12 x 7 3/4"...put this into your score tool or paper trimmer with score blade inserted, with the short edge along the top and score in at 1 3/4"...this will be your bottom edge...



Then turn your cardstock around so that the longest edge is at the top and score at 1 3/4", 5 3/4", 7 1/2" and 11 1/2"...



Cut along the score lines from the bottom edge up until you meet the intersecting score line - these cuts will make your bottom flaps...rip away the little section on the end and make diagonal cuts so that the flap folds in easily... If you wish to stamp on your bag base, do that now before you assemble it...



Apply a strong adhesive such as sticky strip to bottom flaps and the little flap on the end...



And fold your box up and adhere in place...



Gently push the front and back together at the top to create slight Vs each side...and your base is complete.



Now to make the top flap - cut a piece of cardstock to be 4" x 6 1/2"...



Put into your score tool or paper trimmer with score blade inserted and the longest edge along the top - score at 2 1/2" in from one end and again 1/4" over from that score line...



Using your Circle Scissors Plus or any round object you can draw around such as a plate, shape the end of the longer part of the cardstock and cut to size... If you want to texture or stamp on your flap do this now before you adhere it to the bag base.

This is what your top flap should look like...



Fold along the score lines and apply Sticky Strip to the inside of the rectangular piece...



And adhere to the back of your bag...



And here is your bag standing up with it's flap in place...



I use magnetic closures to close my bags - you can find these at craft & scrapbook stores - and you could also use little velcro circles that you can find in big box stores...the beauty of both of these types of fasteners is that they can be opened & closed many times...here is my bag all closed up and ready to be decorated...



Here are my Mr & Ms Monster - aren't they a cute couple? I know you want to know how I made their teeth and what size circles I used for their eyes, so here is that info...



Teeth - I used 3 different Punches - the Word Window, 1 3/8 x 5/8" Oval and 1/2" Circle Punches - you can find all these on pg 202 of the Catalog - and I used Mini Glue Dots to adhere them to the flap.

Eyes - I used the following Circle Punches - 1 3/8", 1" and 1/2" - you can find all these on pg 202 - I used Dimensionals to attach their eyes to make them stand out

Nose - I used 1/4" Circle Punch

How did I give their faces texture? Using Embossing Folders that you can find on pg 214 - I used the Elegant Lines folder for Ms Monster and the Perfect Polka Dots folder for Mr Monster

Extra details - I used Paper Daisies from pg 188 to decorate Ms Monster and on her head, used a Designer Button (pg 186) with white thread tied through. I tied a piece of Black Satin Ribbon (pg 191) around Mr Monster and finished with a knot in front.

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