



HotMelt™ Collage with Metal Plaque

By Rebekah Meier for Walnut Hollow®

Materials:

- [Walnut Hollow® #26265 Mini Thin Plaque Rectangle](#)
- [Walnut Hollow® #27996 Creative Metal™ Beginner Set](#)
- [Walnut Hollow® #28076 Design Borders A](#)
- [Walnut Hollow® #29021 Aluminum Metal Roll](#)
- [Walnut Hollow® #28810 Creative HotMelt™ Tool](#)
- [Yaley® Beeswax pellets, white](#)
- [Beacon® Zip Dry™ paper glue](#)
- Decorative paper
- Embellishments: doilies or small scraps of paper, dried leaves or flowers, fabric, string, etc.
- Black acrylic paint
- Other Supplies: flat brush, paper towel, pliers, sandpaper, scissors, spray varnish, tape
- Optional Supplies: Luminarte™ Pigment Powders, Gold Craft Foil, Yaley® Wax Dye Blocks, your choice of color

Instructions:

Note: Items mentioned, but not listed in supplies, can be found in the Beginner Set or with the HotMelt™ Tool.

1. To prepare wood for painting, use sandpaper to lightly sand wood surface. Remove dust with a paper towel.
2. Apply Black acrylic paint to back and edges of plaque. Let dry, lightly sand and apply second coat. Let dry.
3. Use scissors to cut decorative paper 3 ¼" x 4 ¾" to fit front of plaque. Use Zip Dry to adhere paper to front of plaque.
4. Before using Creative HotMelt™, read and follow all safety precautions. Attach Trowel Point to tool. Tighten with pliers. Secure stand to hard surface with tape. Place tool on stand. Switch tool "ON". Plug into electric outlet and let heat for 4-5 minutes.
5. Use HotMelt™ with Trowel Point to melt and smooth wax over paper.
6. Use Creative Metal Beginner Set with Border Design to make metal embellishment. Place Border Design on flat hard surface. Use scissors to cut a piece of Aluminum Metal 1 ¾" x 8 ½". Place on Border. Tape in place. Use Texture Tool to emboss border design onto Metal. Rub Texture Tool over Metal until deeply embossed with border design. Use scissors to cut out one section of border, approximately 1 ½" square. Save remaining Metal for future projects.
7. Create collage on plaque with embellishments and Metal. Place embellishments and Metal on wax. Melt more wax over embellishments. To add more interest you may add colored wax, or Luminarte Pigment Powders, or Gold Craft Foil. When project is complete, turn switch "OFF". Unplug tool.