

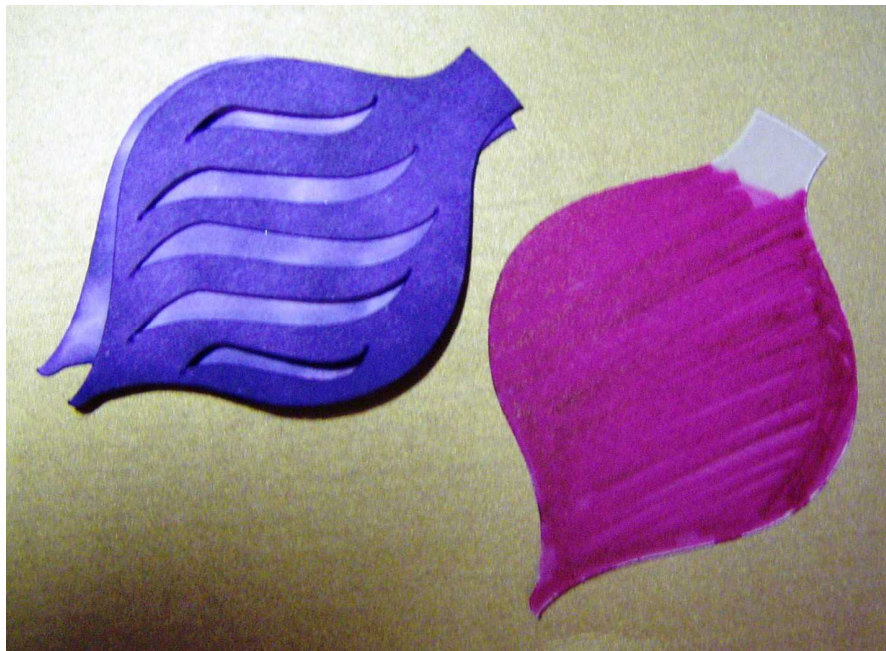
# Pop-Up Christmas Card with Removable Ornament

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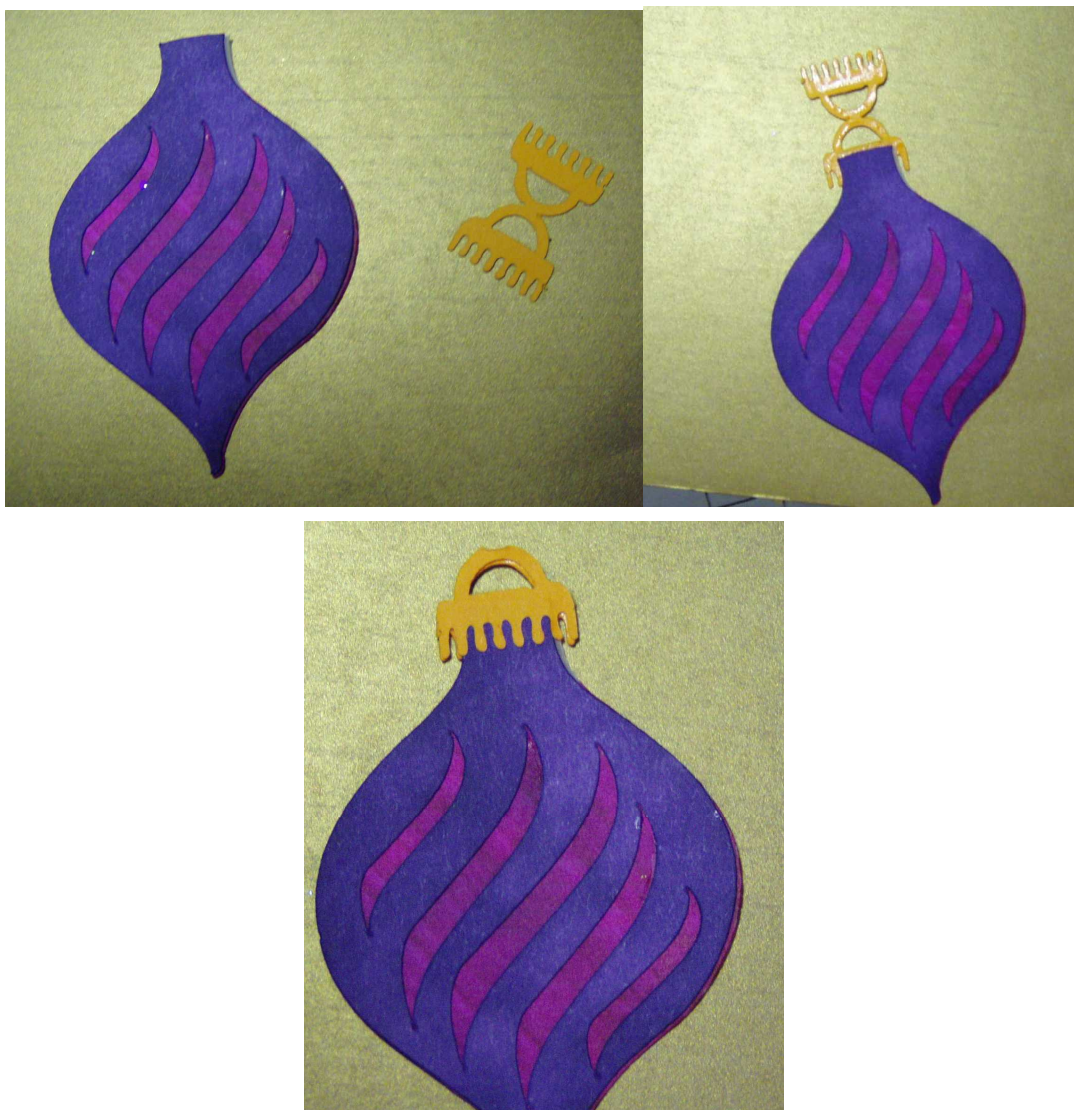
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Cardstock  
Vellum  
Adhesive  
Inks & Markers

1. For the ornament, cut two of cardstock and one mat out of vellum - make sure the mat is within the edges of the ornament and is solid (no holes).
2. Color the cardstock with alcohol inks (I used the fuchsia and turquoise-y colors) thinning with the alcohol and felt tamper until you like the effect. Give it plenty of time to dry. The vellum doesn't like the alcohol inks so I colored it with Sharpie magic markers - on BOTH sides to give the most glowing result! It's difficult to get an even application so work with it and get it to a texture you like. Give it plenty of time to dry.



3. Match up the 2 cardstock pieces and apply adhesive to the inside like mayo on a sandwich. The vellum is the lunch meat! Line things up as close as you can and fuse by rolling over it (I used a glue bottle on its side). Apply the ornament 'cap' with loop to hang ornament. Embellish with glitter or other goodies.



4. For the support, choose a corner bracket pattern you like – not too fancy as it's dimensions shouldn't be more than about 2" wide by 3" tall. If it doesn't have a natural loop to hang the ornament from, add one now. Leave a cut line so that you can slip the ornament on. Cut two and color as above.



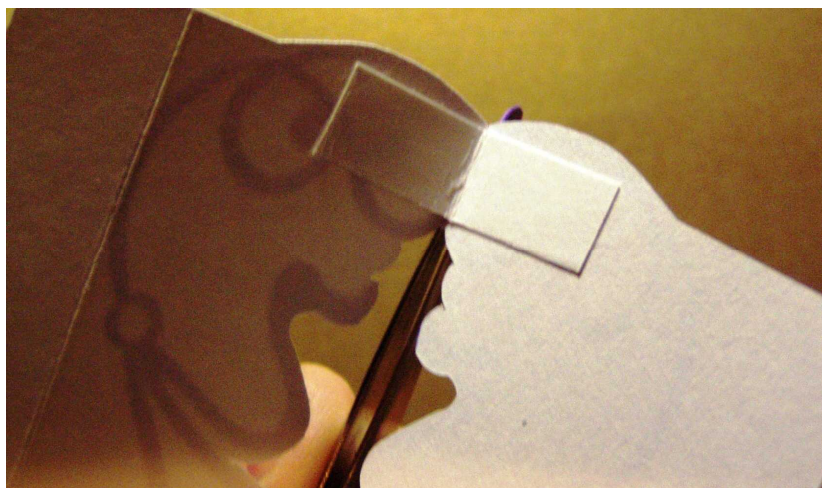
5. Make a mat that follows the bracket contours. Remove any objects inside just like the ornament. Create a rectangle the height of the 'back' of the bracket and about  $\frac{1}{2}$ " wide. This rectangle will be the flap that glues to the card. Weld the mat and the rectangle and again remove any objects inside the primary outline. Cut a  $\frac{1}{2}$ " x 1.5" hinge to reinforce the point.



6. Glue each bracket pattern to a mat, making a left and a right piece (mirrored). Crease the flaps to fold to the inside.
7. Apply glue to the very end of the bracket mat and the hanger loop. Press both halves together at the point.

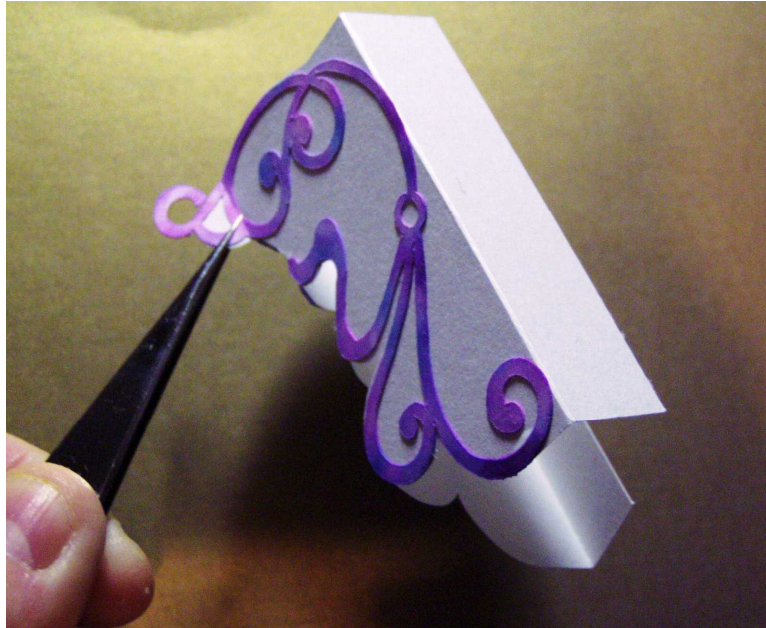


8. Open up the rest of the bracket. Glue and insert the hinge while gripping the point to keep it together. Keep under pressure until adhesive is dry/set.





9. Fold in the two flaps



10. Bring out the two flaps, apply adhesive and place in the card body parallel to and no more than 2" from the center fold. Close the card over the bracket to glue the 2<sup>nd</sup> half. Keep under light pressure until adhesive is dry/set.



11. Open the card and refine the folds.



12. Slip the ornament over the hanger loop.



13. Done!

