



HOW TO MITER CORNERS WITH LITTLE B™ DECORATIVE PAPER TAPE

LITTLE B PRODUCTS

Decorative Paper Tapes – Variety
Specialty Foil Tapes - Variety

OTHER SUPPLIES

Metal Edge Ruler
Straight Blade Cutting Knife
Cutting Mat

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- Place the card flat on a cutting mat on your creative working space. Align the tape with the edge of the card.
- Pull about 4-5 inches of tape out from the dispenser, holding it out horizontally. You will position the tape from the left to the right.
- Begin on the top left side of the card. To start, leave about 1 inch of excess tape OFF the left edge of the card, and continue placing the tape down as you move horizontally across the top edge of the card. Make sure that the tape is level and not becoming crooked. To do this, use the straight edge of the card as a level reference and check it often visually. Continue sticking the tape down until you reach the top right side of the card. Cut the tape – leaving a 1-inch piece beyond the edge of the card – sticking the excess to the cutting mat.
- Rotate the cutting mat 90 degrees to the right, so you now have a blank edge of the card at the top.
- Repeat the steps above, placing a piece of tape across the next top edge of the card. Remember to allow an inch or so overhang on both sides of the card. Note that you intentionally will be placing tape over tape as you reach the right side – leaving an inch off the right edge. (Now 2 edges of the card have tape on them.)

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- Rotate the cutting mat 90 degrees to the right, so you now have the next blank edge of the card at the top.
- Repeat the steps above, placing the next piece of tape across the top edge of the card. (Now 3 edges of the card have tape on them.)
- Rotate the cutting mat 90 degrees to the right, so you now have the last blank edge of the card at the top.
- Repeat the steps above to place a final piece of tape across the top edge of the card. Remember to allow an inch or so overhang on both sides of the card. Note that on this last side, you will be placing tape over tape on both the left and right hand sides. (Now all 4 edges of the card have tape on them. And yes, the tape is overlapping each corner.)
- Position the cutting mat so the top of the card is again at the top.
- Start with mitering the upper left corner first.
- Place the cutting side of the metal edge ruler so that it is diagonally lined up between the outside corner of the overlapped tape and the inside corner of the overlapped tape. Hold the ruler firmly in place.
- Carefully take your straight edge blade knife and cut diagonally from the outside corner to the inside corner of the tape. Press firmly enough to cut through the 2 layers of tape, although not hard enough to cut into the surface of the card. A sharp blade will allow you to cut more easily.
- Rotate the cutting mat 90 degrees to the right.
- Repeat the steps above to make a mitered cut on the 2nd, 3rd and 4th corners.
- Lay the knife and ruler aside. (Now here comes the fun part . . . revealing the perfectly mitered corners of your card!)
- Start with the upper left corner and grab the 1-inch excess piece of tape (which is going off the top of the card) and peel it down toward the card. It should remove easily at the diagonal cut. Throw this piece of excess tape away. (I make a pile of excess tape off to the right of my project – just add to the pile until you are done and throw it all away at once.)
- While still working on the upper left corner, grab the excess piece of horizontal tape that is off the left side of the card and peel downwards, sliding it out from under the vertical piece. It should remove easily at the diagonal cut. Add this piece of excess tape to your discard pile.
- Note – if you did not cut through both layers of tape, you can reset the ruler in the exact spot and cut through the tape. Resist the urge to use just the knife without the straight edge – you will be happier with a perfectly straight cut. Trust me on this – I have tried both ways.
- Press both sides of the mitered tape together against the card. Isn't that awesome how they perfectly line up? Great job!
- You know the routine now – Rotate the card 90 degrees to the right and work on removing the tape to reveal the 2nd, 3rd and 4th perfectly mitered corners!
- Have fun creating Quick, Easy and Perfect Every Time Mitered Corners with Little B™ Tape on more than just cards . . .
- Here are some examples of other surfaces to use Little B™ tape to add a decorative and creative mitered corner to . . . Frames - Paper place cards – Envelopes - Spiral notebooks - Square plates - Rectangle plates - Journaling boxes - Mats around photos - Decorative edges on cards – Wooden boxes - Party napkins - Match any party theme. The possibilities are endless.