

Spring Fling Crafting Event

Spring Mini Basket

STEP 1

Upload the Spring Mini Basket SVG to Cricut Design Space.

Click the MAKE IT button.

STEP 2

The Mini basket will cut with the Maker or Explore machines or the Cricut Joy Xtra.

The basket will cut from one piece of 9x12 inch faux leather and the strap will cut from another piece.

Click the MIRROR toggle ON for the mat. Click CONTINUE.

STEP 3

To cut the faux leather mat: On the Materials Selection screen, choose **Faux Leather (Paper Thin)** as the material. Choose **MORE** pressure from the dropdown menu.



MATERIALS USED

- Faux Leather of your choice
- Optional Heat Transfer Vinyl
- 6mm Rivets & Hammer

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If you are using the Explore Air 2, you'll need to turn your dial to Custom before you can find this setting.

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STEP 4

If desired, press heat transfer vinyl onto the back of the pieces of faux leather for the basket and the handle before cutting.

To do that, preheat an EasyPress to 265 degrees or set an EasyPress Mini to the Low setting.

Place the faux leather layer on a heat pressing pad. Layer a layer of heat transfer vinyl shiny side up on top of the faux leather pretty side down.

Cover with a Teflon sheet or cover sheet and press firmly all over for 10-15 seconds.

Carefully peel away the clear vinyl cover sheet. Re-cover and press again if needed.

STEP 5

Place the faux leather for the basket and the handle shapes pretty side down on a sticky Strong Grip purple mat.

Tape all around with blue painter's tape.

Load the mat into the Cricut. Press the C button to begin the cut.

When the cut is complete, without unloading the mat, use a sharp tool to lift the edge of the faux leather to check the cut.

Repeat the cut if necessary by pressing the cut button again.

Once the cut is complete, unload the mat and remove the shapes.

If you pressed HTV on the back first and the edges are ridged, cover and press the edges for 3-5 seconds.

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STEP 6

Use a sharp weeding tool to poke through all the pre-cut holes in the basket and handle shapes.

STEP 7

Next apply the rivets.

First insert a rivet post from the back side of a square corner. Then layer the rounded flap to the right onto the post.

Cover the rivet post with a rivet cap.

Use a hammer and the rivet tool. Place the rivet onto the metal strike plate to protect your work surface.

Cover the rivet cap with the concave part of the rivet tool. Carefully hammer the top of the rivet tool a few times.

STEP 8

Repeat with another rivet and flap.

Then add the first side of the handle by inserting a rivet post first through the handle hole, then through the square corner of the flap.

Then place the rounded corner side onto the post.

For the next three holes, only put the post through the flaps.

Place the end rivet on top and hammer the rivet closed.

When you arrive at the hole directly across from the handle, place the other side of the handle on the post before securing the rivet.

Watch the video tutorial to see the rivets process step by step.