2025 Challenge 16 – Ashley's Scrappy VIPs

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Step 1: Using a piece of Avocado Solid Cardstock and the 12-inch Trimmer, cut out the inside leaving a 1-1/4" frame. Set the inside piece of cardstock aside. Use the frame as the base of the layout.

Step 2: Trim a piece of beige dots paper to $11-\frac{1}{2}$ by $11-\frac{1}{2}$.

Step 3: Cut a strip from the floral ribbon paper to measure 12" x 1-1/2". Adhere this strip to the lower portion of beige dots paper, approximately ³/₄" from the bottom edge. Trim off excess.

Adhere the purple plaid border sticker along the lower edge of this strip and the green leaves sticker border along the top edge of this strip. Trim off excess.

Step 4: Adhere the beige paper piece to the top of the avocado cardstock base frame.

Step 5: Using the multicolored stripes paper and the outside of the 4" x 6" CCS Oval Pattern, cut an oval with the Red Blade. Rotate this oval on your trimmer so that it is horizontal and cut off a section that measures 1". Adhere the body of the oval to the layout, tucked under the strip along the bottom of the beige paper for the base of the "vase." Then place the 1" oval section with the rounded edge to the top of the "vase."

Step 6: Cut circles from the following papers: blue plaid, pink scallops, yellow lines and purple petals. One circle of each pattern with the inside of the medium circle and the Red Blade, one circle of each pattern with the inside of the medium circle and the Green Blade, and one circle of each paper with the inside of the medium circle and the Blue Blade.

Step 7: Gently tear or rip away the outer edges of each of the circles. Layer each of the same-colored circle to create the flowers. Adhere above the "vase," using Foam Squares on a couple of the flowers.

Step 8: To create the leaves, fold a 2" x 12" strip of green floral paper in half vertically. Place the inside of your medium CCS Circle Pattern over the folded edge and cut with the Red Blade. Repeat this step for the number of leaves you wish to create. Adhere them tucked under the flowers in the "bouquet."

Step 9: Using the piece from the inside of the avocado cardstock frame, cut photo mats that measure: (1) 6-1/4" x 4-1/4" and (2) 2-3/4" x 3-3/4".

Step 10: Using the yellow lines paper, cut two mats that measure $3^{\circ} \times 4^{\circ}$. Adhere the previous two cardstock mats that measure $2-3/4^{\circ} \times 3-3/4^{\circ}$ to these mats.

Step 11: Adhere the photo mats to the layout.

Step 12: Adhere any additional stickers to the layout, using Foam Squares on some for added dimension.

Step 13: Use Brown Dual-Tip Pen to draw faux stitching along the outer edge of the vase, and to journal along the stripes of the "vase."