

2026 Challenge 41 – Ashley's Scrappy VIPs

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Step 1: Use caramel gingham designer paper as the base for this layout. Layer the border stickers at 6" vertically.

Step 2: Cut a piece of red designer paper to measure 6" x 12". Ink the edges with Dark Green Ink and adhere the piece to the right side of the layout as shown.

Step 3: Cut the stars designer paper to measure 5-1/2" x 11-1/2". Brush Dark Green Ink along the edges, then adhere the piece to the top of the red paper on the right side.

Step 4: Punch several borders from Dark Green Solid Cardstock using the Border Maker System and the Evergreen Edge Chain BMC. Cut the borders into segments with scissors to create the tree.

Gently brush Beige Ink over the top of the evergreen pieces, then adhere the segments together to form the tree.

Step 5: Cut a piece of Caramel Solid Cardstock to 1/2" x 3-1/2" and adhere it to the base of the tree.

Step 6: Punch a border from gold designer paper using the Border Maker System and the Angel Chain BMC. Cut apart the angels with scissors and adhere them to the tree using Foam Squares for added dimension.

Step 7: Add stars, ornaments and bow stickers to the tree. Cut apart the mat with the title "Having A Merry Little Christmas" and adhere it to the bottom right of the tree.

Step 8: Using a Black Micro-Tip Pen, doodle and journal around the outer edges of the stars designer paper.

Step 9: Cut a 4" x 4" square from red designer paper. Cut from the upper right corner to the lower left corner to create two triangles. Ink the edges with Dark Green Ink, then adhere the triangles to the upper left and lower left corners of the layout.

Step 10: Cut a 4" x 4" square from bow designer paper. Cut from the upper left corner to the lower right corner to create two triangles. Ink the edges with Dark Green Ink, then adhere them slightly offset from the red designer paper triangles.

Step 11: Cut two photo mats from green designer paper to 3-3/4" x 3-3/4" and one to 5" x 3-1/2". Ink the edges with Dark Green Ink and adhere them to the layout. Add photos measuring 3-1/2" x 3-1/2" to the two smaller mats and a 4-3/4" x 3-1/4" photo to the larger mat.

Step 12: Finish the layout by adhering the remaining stickers and embellishments. Use Foam Squares on some for added dimension.