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Checking Out Stamping Techniques and Tips

If you have artistic flair, you definitely can have fun working with stamps. Scrapbooking stamps, unlike stickers, can be used again and again to create images on a page. Stamps add a personal touch to your pages through enhanced varieties of design and color. Best of all, they're easy to use. Just apply ink by touching a stamp's rubber design to an inking pad (use the kind that has pigment-based ink) and pressing the design onto your page.

Tools and Materials

- 1 black inking pad with pigment-based ink
- 1 large tag stamp
- 1 chick stamp
- 1 sheet of 12-inch-x-12-inch off-white or tan cardstock
- Detail scissors
- 1 round hand punch
- 1-foot length of thin yarn (optional)



Be sure to keep the following tips in mind when working with stamps:

- ✔ Before using a new stamp on an album page, practice stamping it on scratch paper so you know how much ink to use and how much pressure to apply when using it.
- ✔ Don't rock the stamp back and forth. Apply the same pressure all the way across the stamp and lift it straight up so you don't cause any smudges on your page.
- ✔ Don't clean your stamps with soap and water. Instead, clean them with a commercial stamp cleaner you can get from scrapbook or rubber-stamp stores or just stamp them a few times on a damp paper towel and then clean the stamp with baby wipes, which have a built-in conditioner.

Ready to start stamping away? Just follow these steps:

1. Place your cardstock on your working surface as a base page.
2. Place your tag stamp on your inking pad, pressing down softly. You want only the extended or image part of the stamp to have ink on it.
3. Press your tag stamp down firmly onto the cardstock. But don't push so hard that parts of the stamp other than the image appear. Try not to rock or slide the stamp.
4. Place your chick stamp on your inking pad, pressing down using the same method you did in Steps 2 and 3 to stamp the center of the tag.
5. With your detail scissors, cut out the stamped tag and punch a hole at the top of the tag. Run the yarn through the hole if you like.
6. Place the pieces you stamped onto your layout.

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