

## ROSEBUD HEART KEEPSAKE

The Artful Stencil project by Joni Prittie



Rosebud Heart Wreath stencil

Often it is a challenge to find the perfect present for Mother's Day. It was easy as a child to make a pretty picture for Mom. There is, of course, nothing more personal than something we make by hand. This project is easy and simple to create and will surely be treasured as a lovely keepsake. A framed rosebud heart wreath is wonderful hung in the guestroom as well. We think this would also be a great craft fair item.

### FRAMED ROSEBUD HEART WREATH

#### MATERIALS

- 1 - rosebud heart wreath stencil from The Artful Stencil
- Watercolor paper
- Acrylic paint - four greens, rose, light red, deep pink, white, light purple ( if sponging your wreath, add a medium purple)

#### Tools:

Blue painter's tape, medium size stencil brush, sea sponge (optional) paper towels, small paint plate.

#### Step 1

Tape watercolor paper to table surface. Position stencil on watercolor paper and tape stencil in place.

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#### Step 2

Using stencil brush with small amount of paint loaded on your brush, stencil wreath and bow on watercolor paper. Use a "pouncing" motion.

We alternated the greens of the leaves and the pinks of the rosebuds to give the design a feeling of depth.

#### Step 3

This step is optional.

Using sea sponge barely dipped in paint, sponge very lightly on the stenciled shapes with a coordinated color. We mixed white paint with the pink and rose to sponge the rosebuds. We mixed the purple with a tiny amount of dark purple to sponge the bow. The leaves are sponged in a similar fashion, using a slightly different shade of green on each leaf.

#### Step 4

Allow paint to dry completely and gently remove tape from watercolor paper. Lift stencil away. You may wish to sign your artwork before placing it in a frame.

#### Step 5

Frame your stenciled artwork by trimming any excess paper after measuring frame insert dimensions.

Place glass in frame and then secure your artwork.

This will look really professional!



Stenciled with a rose colored bow



Stenciled with blue bow, pink and yellow rosebuds on lightly sponged watercolor paper