

Locking Gate Fold Card

This takes a standard gate fold card a step further using stacking dies to create a 'lock' on the front of the card. The card can be either portrait or landscape, the lock works the same way. The photos here are for a portrait card.

Portrait Measurements:

- Cardstock 21cm x 14.8cm (8½" x 5½")
- On the long side score at 5.25cm (2⅛") from each end.
- The finished closed card will be 10.5cm (4¼") wide by 14.8cm (5½") tall.

Landscape Measurements:

- Cardstock 29.7cm x 10.5cm (11" x 4¼")
- On the long side, score at 7.4cm (2¾") from each end.
- The finished closed card will be 14.8cm (5½") wide by 10.5cm (4¼") tall.

Locking Mechanism:

DECORATE THE CARD BASE BEFORE STARTING THIS STAGE.

1. Take two stacking dies (any shape) ensuring that the difference in size will give you a frame of at least 0.5cm (3/16").
2. Die cut the larger die with chosen cardstock.
3. Centre the smaller die on the die cut piece and cut. You will then have a frame and a smaller shape.
4. Repeat steps 2 and 3 with another piece of the same cardstock.
5. Die cut an art panel from neutral cardstock with the smaller die. Stamp or decorate and attach to one of the shapes the same size.
6. Take one of the frames and centre it across the gate fold opening. Adhere to the left hand side of the gate fold.
7. Open the gate fold and attach the other frame over the first one. This will give it added strength.
8. Close the gate fold and place the art panel inside the frame and adhere it to the right hand side of the gate fold.
9. You now have a locking mechanism on your card.

