



### Use Shape Mask for backgrounds

1. Punch or die cut shape you want to leave the paper color.
2. Place the punched mask in place on your project.
3. Ink blend around the shape to fill in around it where you want color added.
4. Remove mask.

### Create Night Sky with Moon

1. Cut or punch a circle the size you want your moon to be and place it on your project.
2. Ink blend a dark blue around the edges of the circle to the edges of the paper.
3. Add some dark purple, dark gray, or black blending around the edges of your paper. Blend them into the blue.
4. Remove the mask and add some light gray wisps of ink on the moon to look light clouds in the night sky.

### Left-Over Ink Backgrounds

1. Whenever you have ink on your craft mat, spritz it with water and place a piece of white card stock over the top.
2. Swirl the card stock to allow the color to mix and cover the entire sheet.
3. All the paper to dry.
4. Flatten the paper by weighting it with clear blocks or run it through your Cut & Emboss Machine.

### Tips to Create a Snowing Effect

1. Ink a splatter stamp in Versa Mark ink and cover your background. Add white embossing powder and heat set.
2. Stamp a splatter stamp or ink a snowfall stencil in Versa Mark ink and use white embossing powder. Ink a blue sky.
3. Stamp a small snowflake stamp over your background in white craft ink or Versa Mark with white embossing powder.
4. Use a snow embossing folder on dark paper and brush the embossed bits with white craft ink on a dauber.

