

AVERAGE TIME

1.5
HOURS

CHALLENGE LEVEL



Simple Techniques - Stunning Effects

HAPPY BIRTHDAY CUPCAKE PLATE



MATERIALS

CCX156 10" Rimmed Dinner
Liner Brush
Detail Brush
Medium Brush
Scissors
1" Sponge Stippler x2
3/4" Sponge Stippler
NCR Cupcake Patterns
Red Ballpoint Pen
Pencil or Water-Based Marker

COLORS

CMM 69 - Carrot Juice
CMM 5 - Coral Reef
CMM 3 - Carnation
CMM 19 - Banana Boat

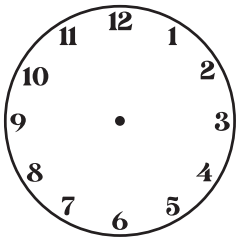
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INSTRUCTIONS

1. Use a pair of scissors to cut around the cupcake pattern, making it easier to center on your plate.
2. Place the NCR pattern in the center of your plate. Use a red ballpoint pen to firmly press down as you trace the lines in the pattern. You can trace the letters now, or do freehand lettering later. Before removing the pattern, hold it in place as you lift a corner to ensure all lines have been traced.
3. Next, we will work on the rim. The best way to make a pattern on the rim is to work on it one color at a time. To make everything even, follow the steps below, which will reference a clock for placement:

- a. Each dot on the rim is half of the sponge. So, place the sponge halfway off the plate and press down. Then, rotate the sponge and apply a second layer of paint from the other half of the sponge.
- b. First, we will do the coral dots using two coats of Coral Reef and a 1" sponge stippler:



- i. Put the first dot at the 12 o'clock position.
- ii. Place the second dot at the 6 o'clock position.
- iii. The next dot will be at the 3 o'clock position.
- iv. Put the next dot at the 9 o'clock position.
- v. Then, put a dot halfway in between each of the current coral dots.

- c. Next, we will do the orange dots using two coats of Carrot Juice and a 1" sponge stippler:

- i. Put an orange dot in between each of the coral dots.

- d. Now we will do the yellow spots using two coats of Banana Boat and the 3/4" sponge stippler:

- i. Put a yellow dot in between each of the dots. They will overlap with the other colors in some spots; that is fine!

4. Apply three coats of Banana Boat to the flame and the bottom part of the cupcake using a medium brush.
5. Next, use a medium brush to apply three coats of Carnation to the icing on the cupcake.
6. Use a liner brush to apply three coats of Carrot Juice to the candle.

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5. Use a pencil or water-based marker to plan out your lettering. If you traced the "Happy Birthday" in step two, you'll only need to sketch the name under the candles. To help center the name, start with the letter in the middle of the name first, and then work your way out.
7. Use a detail brush to apply two coats of Coral Reef to the letters.
8. Next, use a liner brush to apply the stripes on the candle and icing with one generous coat of Coral Reef.
9. Use a liner brush to apply lines on the bottom section of the cupcake with one generous coat of Carrot Juice.
10. To make the sprinkles on the cupcake, use a detail brush and one generous coat of paint. We used Banana Boat and Carrot Juice.
9. Finally, add the dots around the inside of the rim using the back of a medium brush. We didn't follow a pattern; instead, we randomly placed Banana Boat, Carnation, Coral Reef, and Carrot Juice.

TIPS

- Use the image of the plate as a reference when doing the dots on the rim.
- To get the dots on the inside edge of the rim approximately the same size, dip your brush into paint for each dot. Otherwise, they'll get progressively smaller.
- Don't forget the date on the back!

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Print on NCR Paper



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