

Door Mat



Stencils provide an easy way to decorate. Use vinyl to create this one with your crafting machine. Then, simply place the vinyl over your purchased doormat to transfer the stencil design. This design can be cut using a cutting mat or matless, but for this project we used matless to save the step of loading a mat and cutting the vinyl down. This way allows you to make the most out of your vinyl roll.

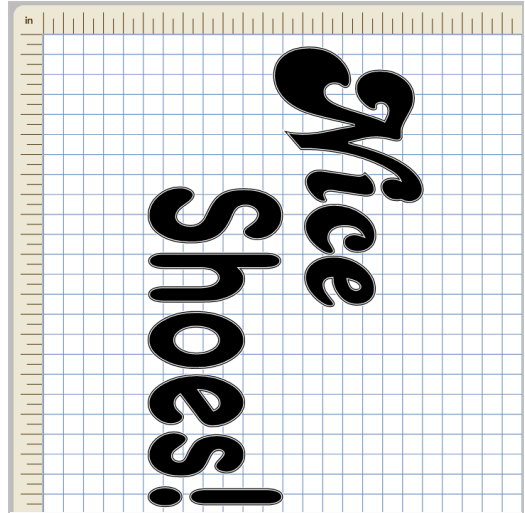
What you need

- Blank Door Mat
- Vinyl - 24" wide roll
- Basic Blade
- Standard Grip Mat 24" x 24" (optional, could use matless setting)
- Heat Press (optional)
- Weeding Tool
- Transfer Tape
- Spray Paint (it is best to select a paint designated for outdoor use)
- Parchment Paper (optional)

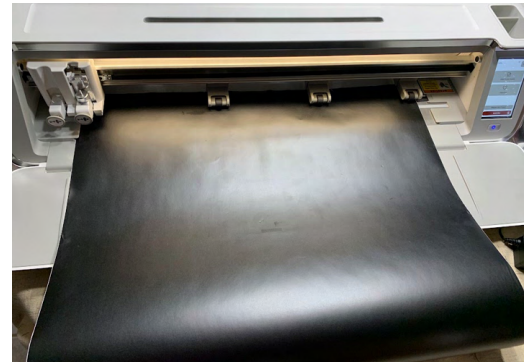
- Painter's Tape (optional)
- Crafting Sealer (optional)

Directions

1. Open the project in Canvas and adjust the size of the design to fit the size of your door mat.



2. Make any adjustments to the pinch wheels if necessary and load the vinyl into the machine with the vinyl side up.



3. Go to the Output Menu and press Send to Machine. Follow the steps to cut the material on your crafting machine, being sure to choose the matless option when asked.
4. Eject the vinyl when the cut is complete.
5. Weed out the letters from the surrounding vinyl. Usually you will weed the excess vinyl and keep the letters but this time you want the letters removed like a stencil.



6. Apply transfer tape to the vinyl stencil created. This will be used to place the vinyl on the mat.



7. Place the vinyl on the mat and remove the transfer tape. The vinyl will be stuck to the mat, it will just be temporary. The vinyl might have trouble sticking to the mat, so you can use some tape as needed.

(Optional) Heat can help keep the vinyl in place while painting. An iron or Heat Press can be used to apply heat to the vinyl to help it stick. Test a small scrap to determine heat settings for your material, and use a piece of parchment paper to protect your pressing tool.



8. Apply paint over the cut areas.
9. Wait for the paint to dry then remove the vinyl. A crafting sealer can be sprayed over the painted area to help seal the paint from the outdoor elements, if desired.