



## Create your own place cards

# READY FOR WEDDING SEASON

May always makes us think about weddings and there are lots of craft projects you can do for your big day if you are feeling creative! Today we are going to show you how to make your own simple place cards for a wedding reception.

### You Will Need

- Modern Calligraphy Set
- Card in the colour of your choice
- Scissors
- A pencil
- A ruler
- Embellishments





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## Step 1

Using your pencil and ruler mark out a square 9cm by 9cm on your card and cut it out. You will need one square per guest and a few spares in case you make a mistake. Using the ruler and scissors score a line down the centre of your cards so they will be easy to fold in two.

## Step 2

Select your nib from the Modern calligraphy set and push it gently into the holder, we went with the Leonardt DP40 - it's perfect for beginners so don't worry if this is your first try at calligraphy! The nib doesn't need to be flush against the holder, you want to leave a gap between the tip of the nib and the start holder about the size of the space between your finger tip and the knuckle underneath it. See image on the right.



## Step 3

If you are a beginner when it comes to calligraphy and lettering then you might want to practise the names of your guests on some paper before you start writing on your place cards. There's an alphabet for you to copy and some hints and tips on the leaflet that comes with the calligraphy set if you need some extra help.

## Step 4

When you are ready, start writing the names on your cards. Dip the nib into the ink bottle from the calligraphy set, you want the ink to reach the hole in the middle of the nib but no further otherwise you might load up too much ink which could pool on your card when you write on it. Go slowly and do the cards in batches so your hand doesn't get tired, maybe a table at a time? Set the cards to one side for the ink to dry.





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## Step 5

Add your embellishments, these could be jewels, pearls, ribbon, gold leaf, dried flowers or anything else that matches your theme for the day, then fold the place cards in half so they can stand up.

## Step 6

Store your place cards in their folded position until they are needed. If you leave them laid flat they will be harder to fold and put on the tables when you are setting up for the wedding reception.



## Recommended Products



Modern  
Calligraphy Set



Copperplate &  
Shadow Nibs



Calligraphy  
Ink