

# project: trend

A report on the latest and greatest in trend-setting products and techniques. This issue: pom poms. BY VICKI BOUTIN



## Pom pom whimsy is here to brighten our days!

I've spied poms dangling from shoes and peeking out from day planners. It always makes me smile. With the holidays in sight, these balls of colourful confetti will add the perfect touch to gift wrap, Christmas ornaments, festive wreaths, and, of course, our paper crafts! Let's take a look at a few ways to add a little pom pom party to your next project.

### TECHNIQUE: Pom Pom Garland

Get your pom on! String mini pom poms together using a needle and thread to create a puffy page border.

**POM TIP:** Mix and match a variety of pom pom types. Felt beads, fuzzy poms, tissue paper balls, and tulle bundles all hold great pom possibility.

### merry christmas

**supplies** CARDSTOCK: Bazzill Basics; PATTERNED PAPER: Crate Paper, Simple Stories; POM POMS: Crate Paper; DIE CUT SHAPES, STICKERS: Simple Stories; STAMPS: Stampin' Up!; INK: Ranger Industries; GEMS: Queen & Co.; PUNCHES: Fiskars, We R Memory Keepers; ADHESIVE: Scrapbook Adhesives by 3L

### TECHNIQUE: Pom Paper Clip

Whether you make your own poms and add them to paper clips or buy pretty, pre-made options like the one I used from Bella Blvd, a pom clip is a terrific way to add puff and texture.

**POM TIP:** When adding poms to scrapbook pages, opt for ones with a small poof that will still fit beneath a page protector.

### with love

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**POM TIP:** Create a pom pom snowman in three easy steps.

#### TECHNIQUE: Pom Piecing

Combine or decorate poms to make motifs. Just about anything with a round shape can be created. Pumpkins, a New Year's Eve ball, party lights... you name it!

#### brrr

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#### STEP-BY-STEP



**STEP ONE:** Repeatedly wrap yarn around fork, tightly tie in center, remove from fork, and trim to create pom.



**STEP TWO:** Secure three poms to tag using strong liquid adhesive.



**STEP THREE:** Cut or punch eyes and nose from cardstock and adhere to first pom. Thread ribbon between first and second pom, and tie in place.



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