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2019 HOLIDAY SHOPPING GUIDE

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hey there, fellow Cricut lover!

All year long, I get messages and emails from readers asking me what Cricut machines and supplies they should get and when they should get them...and my answer is always the same: Black Friday weekend! Cricut runs their very best sales of the whole year from Thanksgiving through Christmas, and it really is the perfect time to dive into all things Cricut or snag the machines and supplies you've had your eye on all year long.

That said, I know it can be really overwhelming to figure out what you need, what you'll use, how much you should spend, and what's truly worth every penny. That's why I spent hours combing through Cricut's site to find you, what I consider, the very best Cricut investments, as well as some tools and materials that are just plain fun!

Whether you're a seasoned Cricut Pro and just want a few things for your stash or you're brand new but ready to jump in with both feet, the following pages are my picks for a very Cricut Christmas!

Merry Happy Crafting!



P.S. For your convenience, this holiday guide is clickable - just click in the document to head right to the product you want to see!

Indicates my very favorite products I use day in and day out! This shopping guide contains affiliate links. You can read my Disclosure & Privacy Policy here.

which machine IS RIGHT FOR YOU?



The Explore Air 2

The Explore Air 2 is Cricut's less expensive machine, but that doesn't mean it's not an incredible crafting tool. In fact, the Explore Air 2 can cut 100 different materials and is perfect for both the occasional crafter and the serious artisan. Although the software and overall functionality of the Explore Air 2 are the same as the Maker, it doesn't require many of the costly accessories, making it a much more budget-friendly choice. If you will primarily use your Cricut for paper, vinyl and iron-on crafts, this is the machine for you!

Comes in Rose | Lilac | Mint | Raspberry | Black | Fushia | Sky | Blue | Peach Kiss



The Maker

The Maker is best suited for serious crafters or anyone who just wants to be able to cut ALL the things! Since it features a much stronger (and interchangable) blade sytem, the Maker is able to cut over 300 materials, including thick, strong chipboard, cardboard and Kraftboard, as well as fabrics, leather, and felt. Just because the Maker is more powerful, it's not any harder to use. The online software and overall mechanics of the Maker are exactly the same as the Explore Air 2. However, the added power and versatility come with a higher pricetag and more (costly) accessories.

Comes in Champagne | Lilac | Mint | Rose | Blue

The Cricut MAKER



CRICUT MAKER. The basic machine comes with everything you need to get started, including the Fine Tip Blade, the Rotary Blade (for fabric), a black pen, and 2 cutting mats.



MAKER - ESSENTIALS BUNDLE. This Bundle comes with the usual Maker components but adds a handful of tools and accessories that will appeal to fabric crafters.



MAKER - EVERYTHING MATERIALS BUNDLE. This Bundle comes with the usual Maker components but adds a very wide array of materials including vinyl, iron-on, fabric, Kraftboard, faux leather, sticker paper, cardboard and adhesive foil. This bundle is ideal for anyone who doesn't have a stocked craft room!

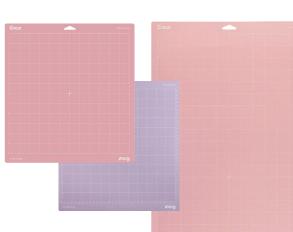




KNIFE BLADE. The Knife Blade and Housing are required to cut any stiff materials such as Kraftboard, matte board, chipboard etc. This one is a "must have" for the Maker!



TOOLS TIPS BUNDLE. Beyond just cutting blades, you can now do so much more with your Cricut thanks to the Wavy Blade, Perforation Blade, Debossing Tip, & Engraving Tip.





MACHINE TOTE. If you don't craft around the clock, keep your machine safe and sound in this stylish tote!

FABRIC & STRONG GRIP MATS. The

Maker is known for being able to cut hard materials as well as fabric, but you need the correct mats to support them so they cut just right!

materials for the MAKER

One of the coolest things about creating with the Cricut Maker is all the cool materials it can cut. Any of these would make great companion gifts to anyone who has or is getting a Maker for Christmas!



KRAFTBOARD. This thick board is great for making boxes and other 3D objects - perfect for packaging holiday treats! It comes in basic colors, as well as Jewel and Metal tones!



WOOD VENEER. These wood veneer sheets come in basswood, maple, walnut, and cherry. They are sure to take any DIY project up a notch!



CHIPBOARD. Chipboard is such a fun medium for making sturdy, 3D projects, tags, decor and more! The patterned set is ideal for making holiday houses!



LEATHER. Available in an array of colors, this high-end product is great for making your own fashion accessories!









FABRIC! One of the most exciting things about the Maker is its ability to cut fabric perfectly. These coordinating fabric sets are a quick and easy way to make adorable fabric projects - and each swatch is pre-measured to fit the pink fabric mats!

The Cricut EXPLORE AIR 2



CRICUT EXPLORE AIR 2. There's nothing "basic" about Cricut's most affordable machine. It comes with the Fine Point Blade, a black pen, and a mat to get you up and running fast!



EXPLORE AIR 2 - ESSENTIALS BUNDLE. The additional accessories included in this bundle will vastly expand what you can make with your Explore Air 2 - the tools, Pens, Scoring Stylus and Deep Cut Blade are musts for any serious Cricut crafter!



EXPLORE AIR 2 - EVERYTHING BUNDLE. If you are just diving into Cricut for the first time, this is the bundle I 110% reccommend! It includes EVERY-THING you need to get crafting right away...in fact, I bought this exact kit 5 Black Fridays ago!

Accessories for the EXPLORE AIR 2



DEEP CUT BLADE + HOUSING.

This more powerful blade is a must for the Explore Air 2. It makes cutting thick papers (heavy cardstock, sticker, magnet), cardboard, foam and more so much easier! **SCORING STYLUS.** This inexpensive accessory fits into the pen holder on the machine and makes it a snap to add score lines to your projects!



MACHINE TOTE. If you like to travel with your Cricut machine to craft group or need to have it packed away, this tote will keep it safe and sound!

awesome accessories FOR ANY MACHINE

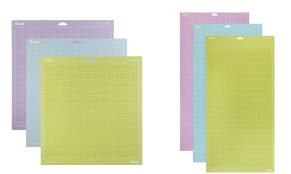
Whether you (or your giftee) are a Maker lover or Explore Air devotee, any of these accessories are sure to come in handy at craft time!



REPLACEMENT FINE POINT BLADES. When your projects are consistently not cutting right, it's time for a blade swap. Don't skip a beat by having a stash of fresh blades at the ready!



MACHINE TOTE. Available in three colors and perfectly sized for both machines, this tote will keep your Cricut both portable and safe!



MAT SETS. Fresh mats are sure to be met with glee on Christmas morning since a clean mat makes every project turn out better!



PENS, PENS & MORE PENS! Adding "drawn" or "handwritten" details to projects is quick and easy with any Cricut Machine. These sets give you endless options for any creation you can dream up!

INFUSIBLE INK PENS | GLITTER GEL PENS | FINE POINT SET | EVERYDAY COLLECTION



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XL SCRAPER. From vinyl and home decor projects to quickly cleaning off mats, this scraper is a craft room essential!



ESSENTIALS TOOL SET. Most projects don't require fancy tools, but when they do, you're sure to have exactly what you need in this set.

which EASYPRESS 2 is right for you?

The line of Cricut EasyPress 2 machines makes it easy to create custom fabric projects with both Iron-On and Infusible Ink!





MINI. This EasyPress is exactly as it sounds: mini! It's great for small and detailed projects especially shoes, hats and stuffed animals.

6" x 7". I find this "small" EasyPress the most versatile. It's small enough to pull out quickly and easily, but big enough to cover large sections of any design. If you can only get 1, I recommend this one!



9" x 9". The square EasyPress is best for crafters who want to be able to make bigger designs but don't really want or need the large version.



12" x 10". The large EasyPress is best for anyone who wants to do mostly shirt or pillow projects since it can cover large designs all at once!



EVERYTHING Iron-on Bundle.

This set is an incredible deal for anyone who wants to get into Iron-On projects but doesn't yet have any of the supplies to do so! Aside from a Cricut machine, this includes everything you need for spectacular iron-on projects!



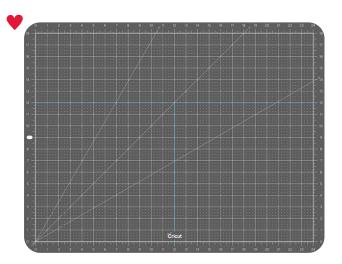
EASYPRESS MATS. These EasyPress Mats allow you to make your iron-on projects without dragging out the ironing board! Just place it on any work surface and it will be fully protected!

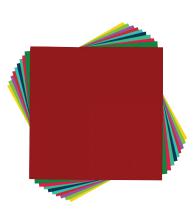




With such affordable prices on most supplies, it's the ideal time to stock up for the year ahead!

TOOLS ANY CRAFTER NEEDS!





VINYL VALUE PACK. Be ready for any design on any project with 40 sheets of vinyl in 10 different colors!

MATERIALS AT AMAZING PRICES!

TRANSFER TAPE. I buy my transfer tape in large rolls so I am sure to never run out mid-project!

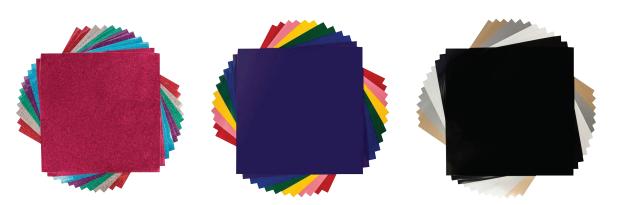






SELF-HEALING MAT | BRAYER | TRUECONTROL KNIFE

Whether you're crafting with your Cricut or working with something else, these three tools frequently come in handy. I literally reach for these every day, and they are essentials for any Crafter's collection!



IRON-ON VALUE PACKS. Each of these value packs come with 2 12x12" sheets of six different colors. Stock up on all three to ensure you have any color you need for any project you make!

GLITTER IRON-ON | RAINBOW IRON-ON | ALL OCCASION IRON-ON

the gifts that keep on **GIVING**

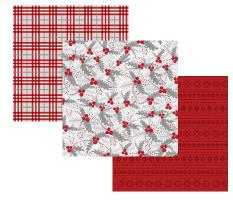
From matching holiday shirts and ornaments for the tree, to DIY decor and gifts for all your friends and family, these holiday-themed products are oh-so fun and festive to create with!

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NORDIC CHRISTMAS

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FLANNEL & FROST

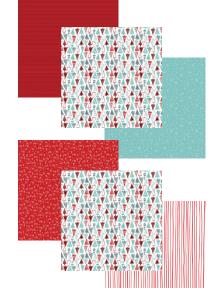
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HOLIDAY FUN



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Loads of good things come in small packages. Fill up your stockings with these mini finds!



EASYPRESS MINI



DEEP CUT BLADE + HOUSING *Explore only



SMALL METALLIC LEATHER *Maker only



KNIFE BLADE + HOUSING *Maker only



EVERYDAY PENS SET



FABRIC SET *Maker only



TOOLS BLADE SET *Maker only



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