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What you need
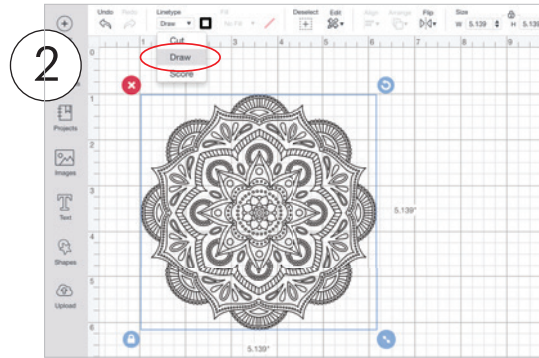
- Cricut Maker® or Cricut Explore® cutting machine
- LightGrip Machine Mat
- Cricut EasyPress™ 2 or Cricut EasyPress*
- Cricut EasyPress Mat, 12" x 12" (30.5 cm x 30.5 cm)
- Cricut® Tote Bag Blank
- Infusible Ink™ Pens or Markers
- Heat Resistant Tape
- Laser copy paper (2)
- Butcher paper (1)
- Cardstock (80 lb.), White (or 4 layers of butcher paper)
- Lint-free cloth
- Scissors
- Tweezers
- Design Space® software on mobile device or computer

*All time and temp settings listed in these step-by-step instructions are for Cricut EasyPress 2. For original Cricut EasyPress settings, refer to our Heat Transfer Guide at cricut.com/heatguide

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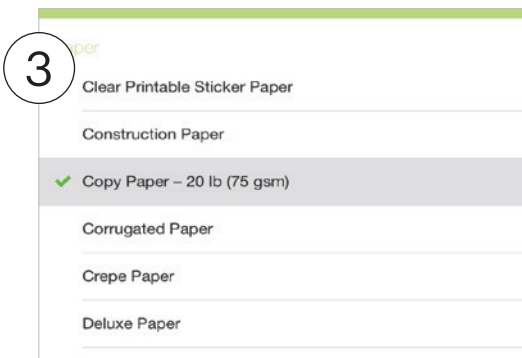infusible ink.

Draw your design

1 Place sheet of laser copy paper onto a LightGrip Machine Mat.

2 In Design Space, select and size your design to fit on your tote blank. Set your Linetype to **Draw** and assign a pen or marker color.

Note: Be sure to **Mirror** your design.

3 Select Browse all materials, then Copy Paper. If using a Cricut Explore machine, turn Smart Set® Dial to **Custom** first.

4 Insert Infusible Ink Pen or Marker into Clamp A, then press flashing **Go** button.

Note: If you have assigned multiple pen colors to your design, Design Space will prompt you to load specific colors at specific times.

5 Once the design is complete, unload your mat from the machine. Remove your copy paper from the mat and, if desired, color it in using Infusible Ink Markers or Pens.

Tip: To ensure the ink does not bleed through onto your surface, place a second sheet of laser paper beneath your design before coloring.

Apply your design

1

For this project, set your Cricut EasyPress 2 to 385°F (195°C) and 15 seconds.

Tip: For precise temp, time, and pressure settings for your project, always refer to the Cricut EasyPress Heat Transfer Guide at cricut.com/heatguide.

2

Cover Cricut EasyPress Mat with cardstock to protect it from unwanted transfer.

3

Position mat and cardstock inside tote.

4

Do not skip this step: Use a fresh adhesive to lint-roll the entire surface. Even miniscule debris or fibers may create imperfections in the final transfer.

5

Cover tote with butcher paper.

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Do not skip this step: Preheat application area to remove moisture and wrinkles that result in unwanted effects. For this project, press at 385°F (195°C) for 15 seconds.

When beep sounds, slowly lift press. Remove butcher paper and let tote cool completely.

Place design face down on tote. The side with the drawing should be against the blank.

Tape down each corner of the design with Heat Resistant Tape. This keeps your design from shifting during transfer.

Place butcher paper on top of the design.

Press at 385°F (195°C) for 40 seconds. **Important:** Do not move hands or slide Cricut EasyPress during transfer.

When beep sounds, slowly lift press. Try not to move the stack, including butcher paper. Let cool completely before handling.

13 Slowly remove butcher paper, then slowly remove the laser paper.
Tip: Never reuse butcher paper for another project.

14 You did it! Post a photo of your finished project. **#infusibleink**

CARE: Machine wash inside out with cold water and mild detergent. Tumble dry low or line dry. Do not use fabric softener, dryer sheets, or bleach.