

# Epsom Salts Background

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Thanks to YouTuber Dawn5377 for this terrific new technique. (It's probably not new to everyone out there but it certainly was to me!) I tried it out today and created some terrific background papers with lovely crystallisation effects.

I tried it on black, white, burgundy, pale blue, deep green and mustard cardstock. I found if you let the card dry naturally the crystallisation stays clear and glossy giving the look of frost crystals on a window. A lovely effect for Christmas Cards. On the black card I dried the paper with a heat gun and the crystals turned white giving a totally different look.

Sound interesting?

## Here's what you need:

- 1 cup Epsom Salts
- 1 cup hot-boiling water
- Bowl large enough to hold the mixture
- Foam applicator brush
- Coloured cardstock cut to size

## How to:

- Add the Epsom Salts to the boiling water in the bowl and stir until all the crystals have dissolved.
- Using the foam applicator brush simply paint the cardstock evenly with 1 coat of the mixture.
- Set the sheets aside to dry naturally.

If you'd like to see Dawn in action with this technique, check out her YouTube video.

Link <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VpxqmtJCy5c&feature=g-all-u>