

HOW TO BUILD:



An Autumnal Wreath Card

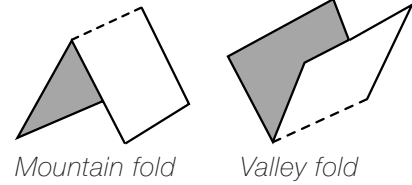


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Autumnal Wreath Card
Level: Medium
Duration: 1-2 hours

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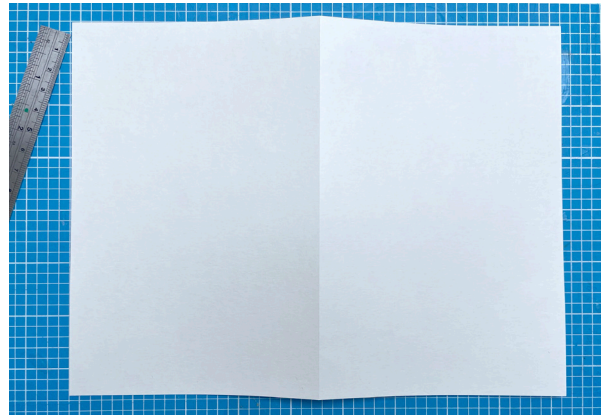
Cut lines —————
 Mountain Fold - - - - -
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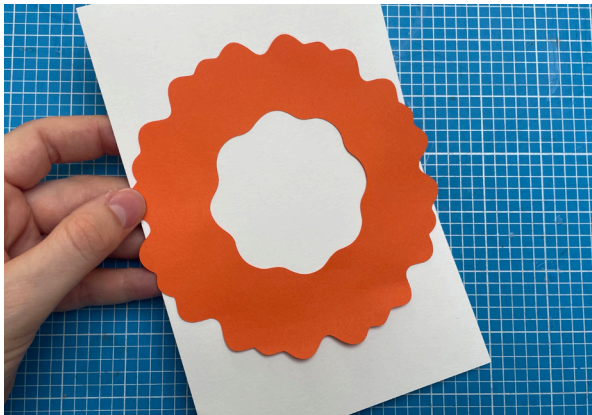
You will need:
Heavy coloured paper (around 150gsm), Craft knife or scissors, cutting mat, ruler, glue, bone folder (or ballpoint pen without the ink), sticky tape & a pen.



1. Print the shapes onto white printer paper and trace them onto the heavy, autumnal coloured papers (ideally 150gsm). Tip: I like to use sticky tape to hold the template still as I cut through onto the coloured paper.



2. Choose a base colour for the card, cut to size and score down the middle using a ruler and bone folder. If you don't have a bone folder you can use a ballpoint pen without the ink.



3. Cut out the wreath shape and stick to the front of your card.



4. Cut out all the leaves using scissors or a craft knife from your coloured paper. Score and fold the leaves in half to give them more dimension.



5. One leaf at a time, apply glue to the bottom half of the reverse side, and glue onto the wreath shape. Tip: For intricate designs like this, I use a syringe to dispense the glue so I can be tidy and accurate.



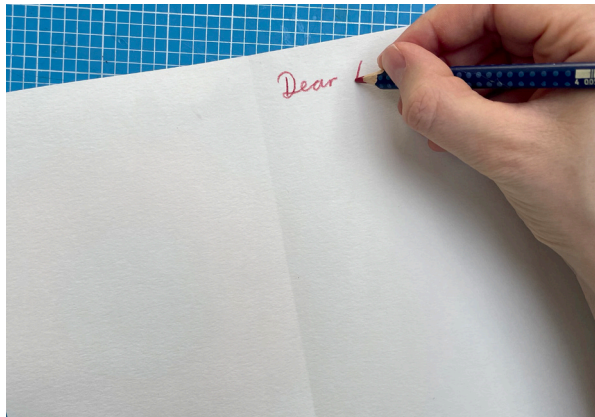
6. Fill the shape of the wreath anti-clockwise with overlapping leaves. Keep them in the same direction.



7. Use as little or as many leaves as you would like, until the wreath is full and the colour is balanced.



8. You may wish to add a message to the front of the card.



9. Write your message inside the card.

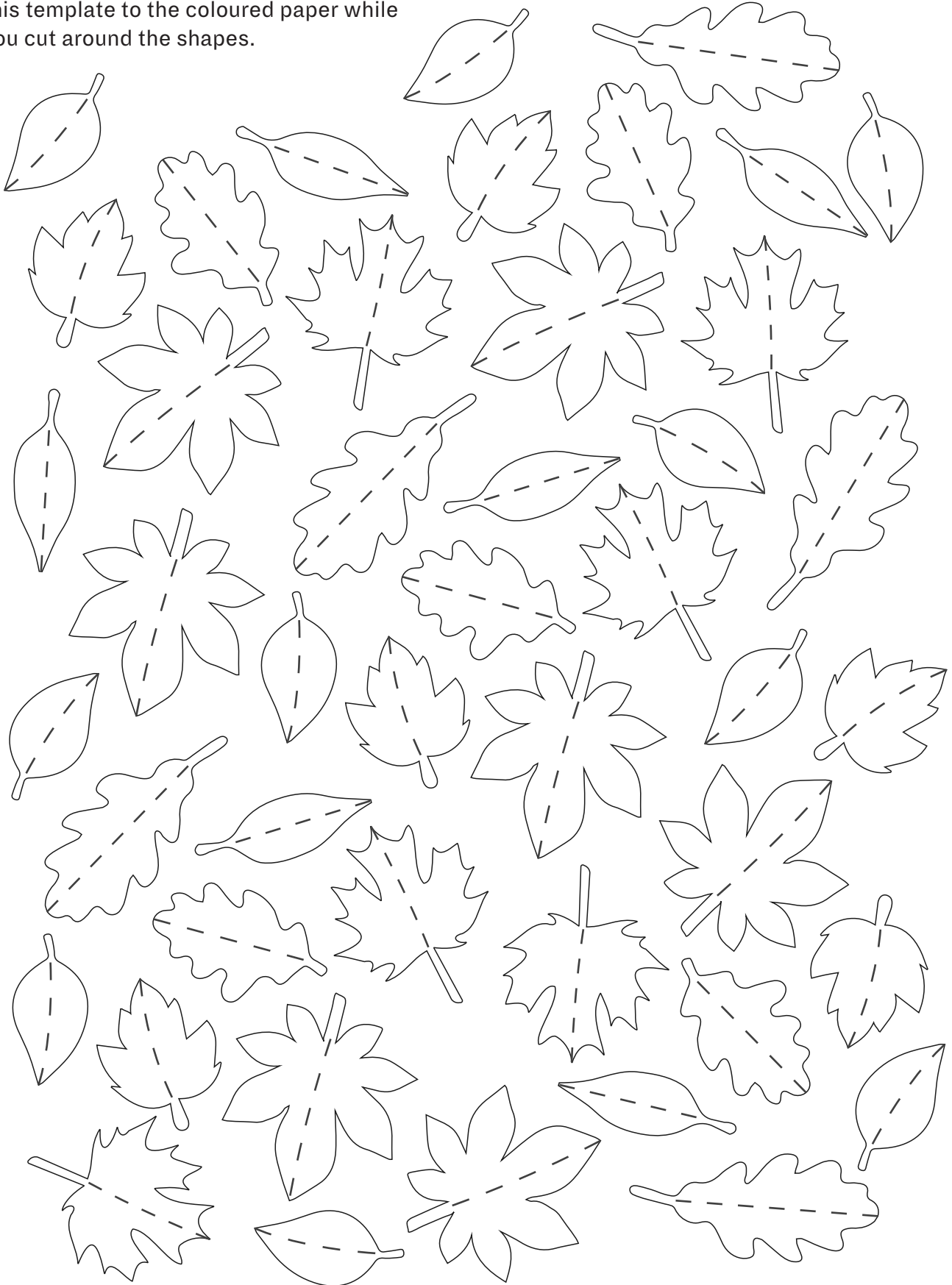


10. Give to a loved one! Happy Thanksgiving!

LEAVES

Choose shades of red, yellow and brown papers to cut your leaves from, ideally with a weight of 150gsm. Use sticky tape to hold this template to the coloured paper while you cut around the shapes.

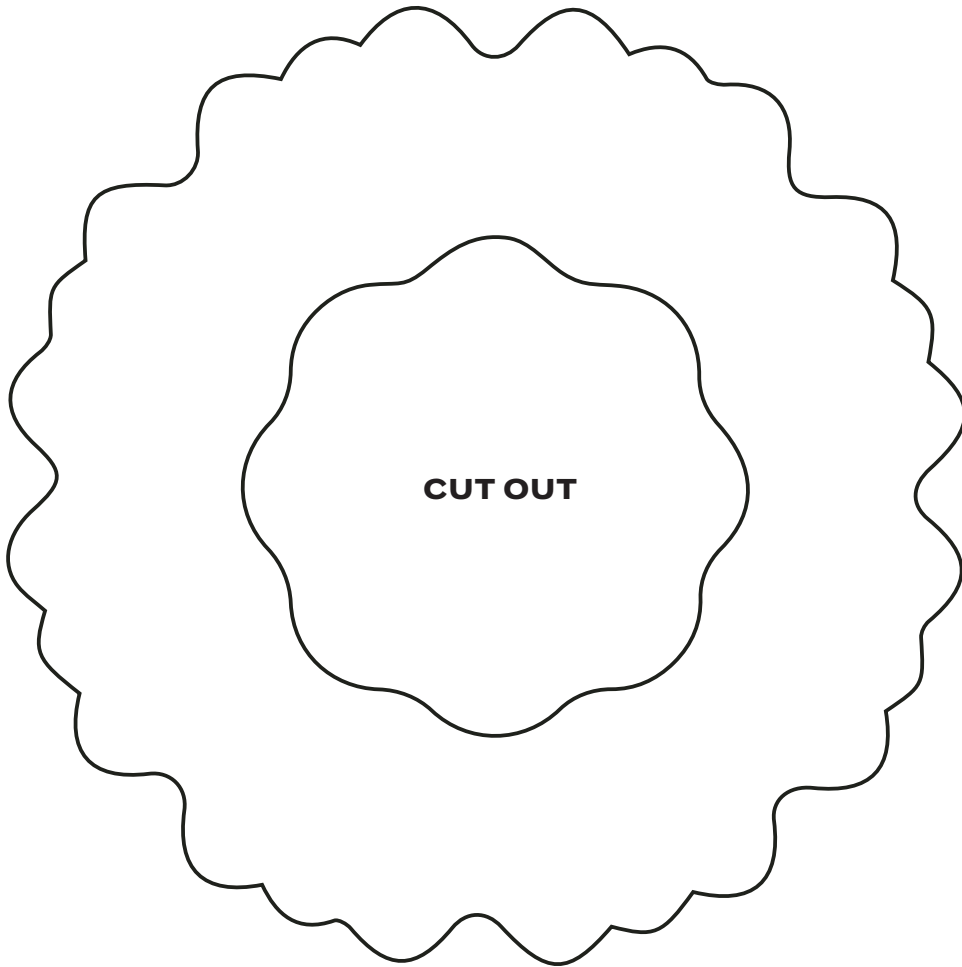
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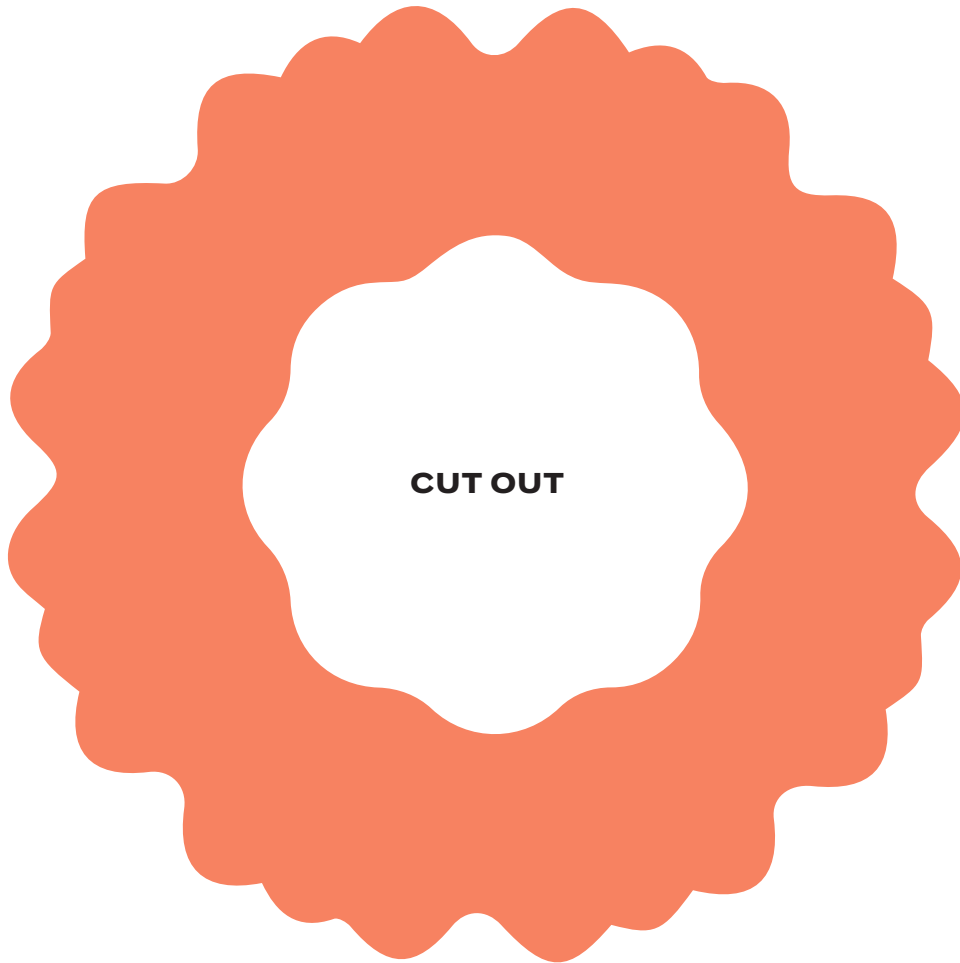
CARD

A large rectangular area with a dashed horizontal line across the middle, representing a card template. The rectangle is defined by solid lines on the top, bottom, and sides, with a dashed line running horizontally through the center. The interior of the rectangle is empty.

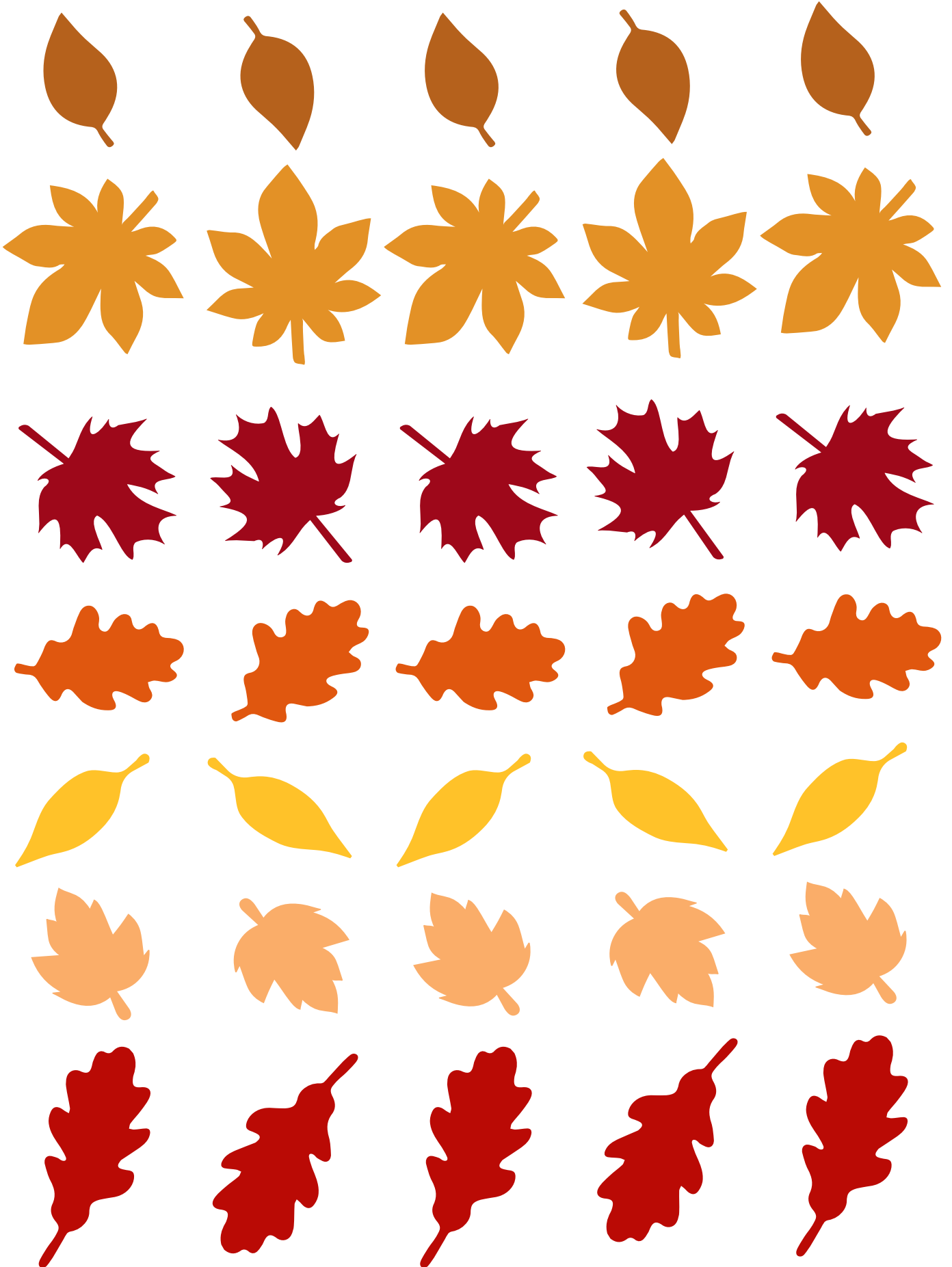
SHAPE OF WREATH



Here's an option for printing the wreath and leaves onto white paper (colour comes from your printer). Cut them out and don't forget to fold the leaves in half.

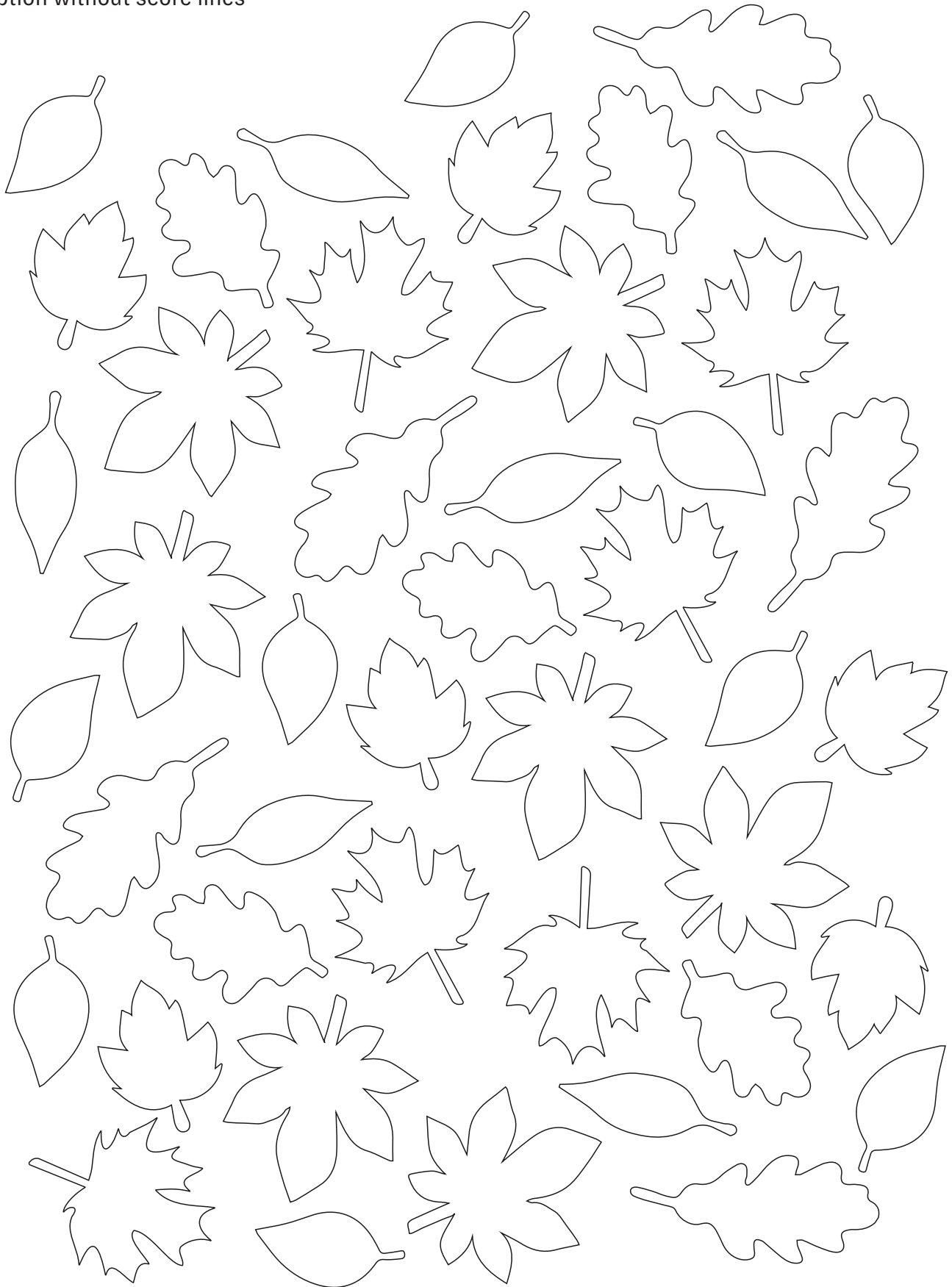


SHAPE OF WREATH



LEAVES

Option without score lines



CARD. If you prefer, you can print the text instead of handwriting it by using this template for the card.

HAPPY

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