“Home Tweet Home”

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SOURCE:
I found this little scalloped box at “Michael’s”, ALTHOUGH, you can paint this on a square box or other surface. Suggestions… Photo albums, enlarge for a welcome sign, tote bags… be creative!

ADDITIONAL SUPPLIES
DecoArt Multi-Purpose Sealer
DecoArt Matte Spray Sealer/Finisher
Sand Paper
Tracing Paper

Transfer Paper
Kneaded Eraser
Stylus
PALETTE – DecoArt Americana
Avocado                    Gooseberry Pink                    Neons (Hot Shots) Fiery
Black Green                Heritage Brick                        Red
Black Plum                 Honey Brown                          Titanium White
Burnt Sienna               Jade Green                          Winter Blue
Burnt Umber                Lamp Black                          Yellow Ochre
Buttermilk                 Lt. Avocado                         Milk Chocolate
French Grey Blue           Milk Chocolate

BRUSHES - Assorted
Flats #2, #4, #8           Liner #10/0
Angulars (Optional) 3/8", 1/2" Script Liner #18/0
Rounds #2, #4              Mop Brushes

PREPARATION
Sand until smooth and seal with DecoArt Multi-Purpose Sealer. Let dry and sand until smooth, as the sealer will usually raise the wood grain. Transfer the main designs onto the surface.

PAINTING INSTRUCTIONS

BACKGROUNDs & SIDES
Base the background around the birdhouse with Winter Blue. Shade the background around the birdhouse and flowers with French Grey Blue. Float the clouds with Titanium White.

Base the scallops and the side of the scallops along the side band on the box with Jade Green. Shade the inside curve of the scallops and along the bottom of the side band of Jade Green with Lt. Avocado. Highlight the outside edge of the scallops and along the top of the side band of Jade Green with Yellow Ochre. Strengthen the highlights on the center edge of each scallop with a brush mix of Yellow Ochre and Buttermilk. Dot each scallop with Lamp Black.

Paint the stitching around the circle, between the scallops and sky background, with Titanium White.

Paint the bottom side of the box with Lamp Black. Randomly hand draw the vines around the bottom black portion of the box. Paint the vines with Honey Brown. Base the larger leaves with Jade Green. Shade one side of the larger leaves with Avocado. Paint the center vein on the larger leaves and the stems with Avocado. Paint the smaller leaves and stems with Avocado. Dot small flowers along the vines with Gooseberry Pink.

BIRDHOUSE
Base the birdhouse with Yellow Ochre. Paint the wood grain with Milk Chocolate. Shade under the roof and around the sides with Honey Brown. Deepen the shading with Milk Chocolate. Deepen the shading again, just under the roof with Burnt Sienna. Paint the opening with a float of Burnt Sienna. Deepen the shading along the left side of the opening with Burnt Umber. Paint the straw that is falling out of the opening in two layers. Paint the first layer of straw with Burnt Umber. Paint a few strokes of straw for the second layer using Yellow Ochre just to highlight. Dot the perch with Lamp Black.
Paint the roof with Lamp Black.

FLOWERS, VINES, LEAVES
Base the centers with Gooseberry Pink. Shade with bottom half of the centers with Heritage Brick.
Base the petals with Buttermilk. Float between the petals with a brush mix of Yellow Ochre and Honey Brown. Highlight the petals with Titanium White. Paint the fine lines on the petals with Honey Brown. Dot the tops of the centers with Titanium White. Paint the curly tendril with Jade Green. Base the large leaves on the top of the birdhouse with Jade Green. Highlight with Yellow Ochre. Strengthen the highlights with a brush mix of Yellow Ochre and Buttermilk. Shade with Avocado. Deepen the shading in small areas with a brush mix of Avocado and Black Green.

Paint the vines with Milk Chocolate. With Burnt Umber, paint some thin shading lines along several areas of the vines.

Base the leaves with Lt. Avocado. Highlight the larger leaves and some of the smaller leaves with Yellow Ochre. Strengthen the highlights in some areas with a brush mix of Yellow Ochre and Buttermilk. Paint some of the smaller leaves with a brush mix of Avocado and Black Green.

With your stylus and Titanium White, dot little flowers randomly along the vines.

BIRD
Shade the birdhouse around the beak area with Milk Chocolate. Paint the beak with Yellow Ochre. Base the bird with Heritage Brick. Shade under the wing with Black Plum. Highlight the wing with Neon (Hot Shots) Fiery Red. Dot the eye and paint the legs with Lamp Black. Dot a very tiny highlight on the eye with Titanium White.

FINISHING
Varnish, or spray with several light coats of DecoArt Matte Spray Sealer.

***Free Pattern***
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