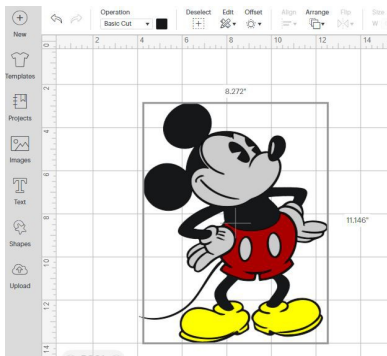# CraftyFunParties.com
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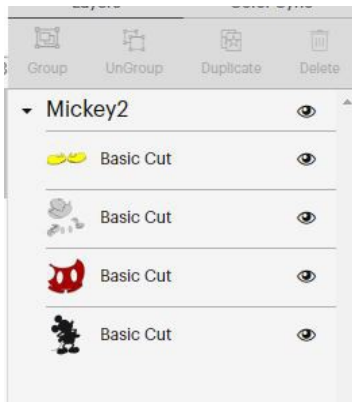## (working with multiple colors)
Part 1 making it in Design Space and cutting.

This tutorial will show you how to layer multiple colors of vinyl for your projects. This is a continuation tutorial from our One Color Single SVG Project. So if you need further assistance uploading the SVG, Loading the Mat, or Weeding please refer back to the One Color tutorial for help.
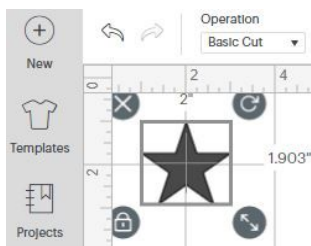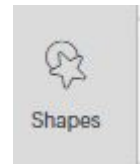
To start we upload the Mickey SVG into Design Space and Added him to the Canvas. Most of the SVGs that you can purchase on line are set up so that each color is a separate layer in the SVG. We are going to show you how to cut things out so that everything cuts together for each color and a trick to lining it all up.
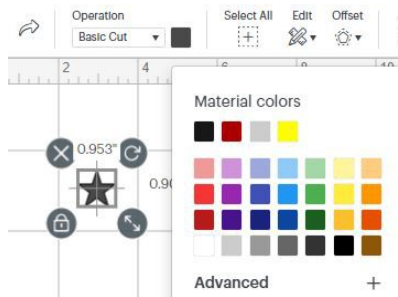
Our tool bar on the left shows that Mickey is made up of 4 different colors. Black is the background color and all of the other colors will layer on top of it.

To line up our colors we are going to add a shape in our image so that we can easily line things up. So the first thing we are going to do is create a star shape and duplicate it 3 times so we have 4 of them. The shape button is in the tool bar on the right.
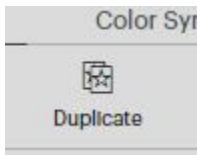
We don't need it really big and wasting a lot of our vinyl, so I made it a little smaller and positioned it at x 4 and y 9 on the tool bar at the top. (It doesn't have to be in that exact position depending on how big you make Mickey. You just want it close enough to not waste vinyl.
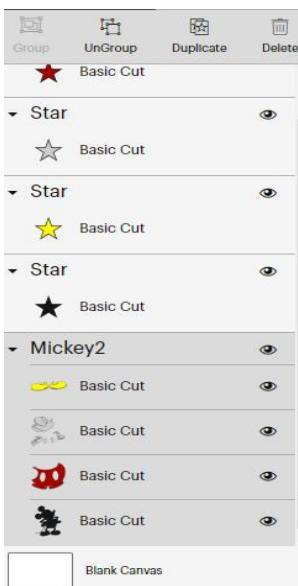
Click on the square next to Basic cut and the brings up a box with your Material colors. The first colors to appear in the Material colors box is usually the colors that are currently in use on the canvas. (If it doesn't bring up the Material colors being used and just gives you the color grid at first, select the color black at the bottom (or any color, and it will add it to the top row and bring up all the other colors in the project then.) The color you select will now have a check mark on it letting you know that is the color of that object on the canvas. Click somewhere on the canvas to close the box.
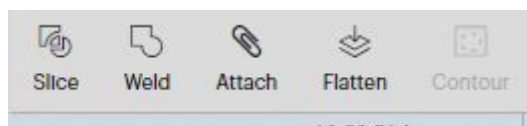
Hit duplicate 3 times so there are 4 stars on the canvas. Change the color of each star to match one of the Material colors in the top row (black, red, yellow and gray.) (Personally I like to use a very light gray as opposed to white so I can see the pieces, a white piece on a white canvas can get lost!) Once they are all the right color enter the x 4 and y 9 positions (or whatever position you used.)
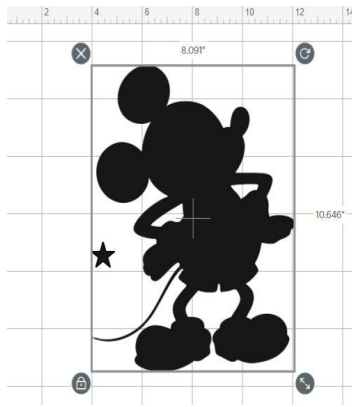
Currently Mickey is all Grouped together. You can tell he is group because there is a down arrow next to Mickey2 with all of the items in the group listed under it. If you were to click on Mickey on the canvas, all of the pieces would be highlighted (darker gray) in the tool bar on the left. He needs to be ungrouped so that we can work with each color individually So with the Group highlighted select Ungroup from the upper right hand tool bar.
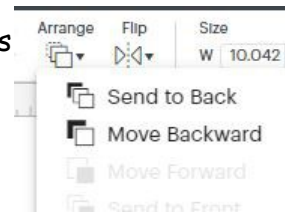
Now that it is Ungroup you can select the Black star and while hold the shift key down click on the Black piece of Mickey. This turns them darker gray in the tool bar to indicate they are highlighted and puts a box around the pieces on the canvas.

Select the Attach icon from the tool box in the lower right hand side of Design space.
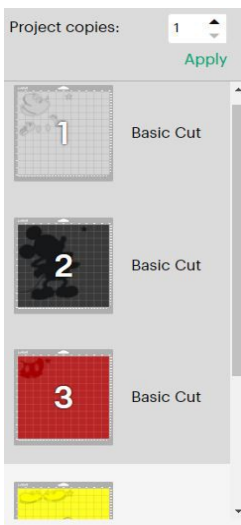
This makes it look like you have turned your whole image black. What it has actually done is brought that black layer to the top. Click on the arrow next to Arrange from the top tool bar and select Send to Back and Mickey will look right again.

Select each color star and each corresponding piece and attach them. All of the pieces should show Attached over them with 2 pieces.

You can add additional items to your project, such as writing or another image. If the items matched the colors already in you project simply attach those as well. If they were another color, duplicate another star and change the color of the star to match the piece, change the stars x,y position to the one you used before, select the star and the new piece and attach them.

Once you have everything attached you are ready to Make it!

Rather than you just having one mat like in the Single Vinyl project you now have a mat for every color that is in your project. Just like in the single vinyl project you can change the number of copies, material size, and turn Mirroring on and off.

****If you are using HTV (aka Iron on) vinyl check your vinyl instructions to see if it needs to be MIRRORED! Most HTV need to be mirrored and put on the mat with the SHINY SIDE DOWN.

The rest of the steps for selecting type of vinyl, place the vinyl on the mat, and loading it into the Cricut will be the same as Single Vinyl, you will just need to follow the step multiple time. You will also need to weed each of the colors. Don't forget to leave the stars in place so that everything lines up perfectly!