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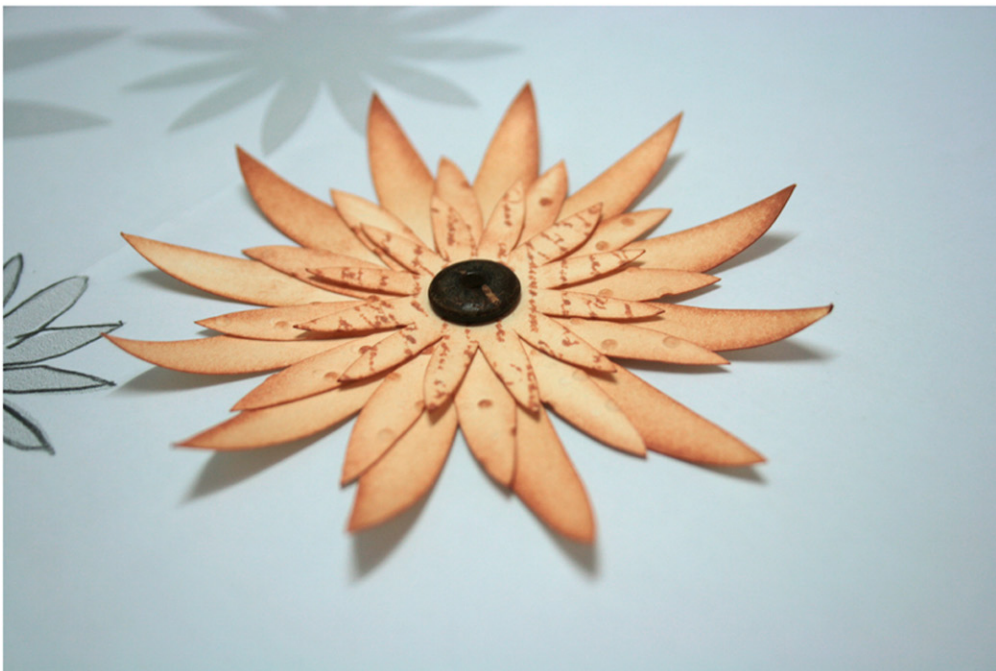
Paper Flowers

Flowers are not only one of nature's most stunning displays, they're also a staple embellishment in any scrapbooker's stash! There are some beautiful bouquets on the market, but what if your budget doesn't stretch that far? Why not make your own?

If you're lucky enough to have use of an electronic die cut machine, like a Cricut or Silhouette, or a multi-size flower die for your Sizzix or Cuttlebug, you can use any flower shape available in your cartridge collection. If not, then you can cut them by hand. Don't forget to download the flower template along with this project sheet. You could use graphite paper, or just scribble over the back with a pencil before tracing your flowers to the back of your cardstock or pattern paper. Cut them out with scissors or a craft knife. We are stacking 3 different sizes to get a dimensional flower.

On their own they're not bad, but there is always the option to upgrade. Try inking the edges, directly from an inkpad or using Distress Ink with the blending tool. You can run one of the flowers through your diecut machine in an embossing folder. If you brush over the embossed surface with the ink tool it will make the image stand out even more. Another option is to stamp one of the flowers with a coordinating ink. Secure your 3 flowers together into one lovely layered paper flower with a brad, eyelet, button, gem, charm ... whatever is lurking about in your embellishment stash.

Use these flowers on cards, layouts, off the page projects or even on gift wrap or bag. Because you made them from scraps and leftovers they've saved you enough that you can splurge on a little something special.



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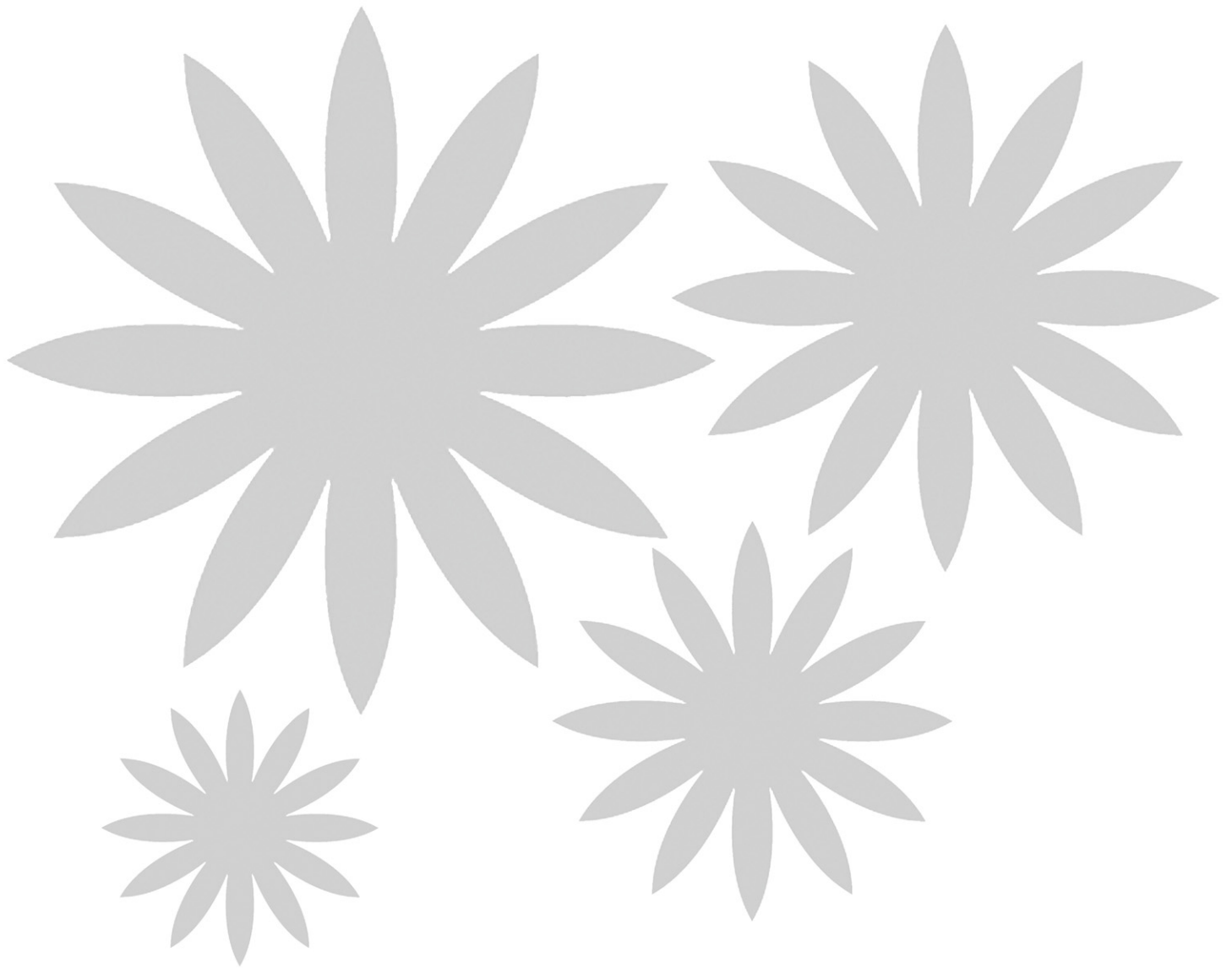
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