

# TECHNIQUE: SPONGING

Simple Techniques - Stunning Effects



## **MATERIALS**

DB37473 Honeycomb Salad Plate Sponge for each color

## **COLORS**

CMM 14 - Gumdrop CMM 45 - Indigo CMM 2 - Stonewash



#### INSTRUCTIONS

- 1. We are going to start with our light color first. Dip your sponge in the paint and apply 2–3 coats to your entire piece. We used Gum Drop. We suggest painting on a bigger section of this color. That way you have a space to blend the supporting colors together.
- 2. Next, dip another sponge into your medium color, we used Indigo. Start a couple inches out from where you left off with your light color. Once you've unloaded most of that paint and your sponge has just a small amount of paint on it, lightly tape it into the area with the lighter color to blend.
- 3. To help with blending, you can go back with the Gum Drop and tap in where the two colors overlap to blend it in.
- 4. Repeat step two using the dark color, we used Stonewash. If you have less than a couple of inches of unpainted space, just start at the edge and work your way in.
- 5. Go back and forth between the Indigo and Stonewash to where they overlap to blend.

### **TIPS**

- Tap very lightly where the colors are overlapping to help them blend together.
- We aren't worried so much about "coats" of paint, but in the end you will achieve 2-3 layers.
- If you're having a hard time blending, go back with the light color and apply more where they meet, colors blend well when they're wet.

