

DESIGN TIPS & IDEAS

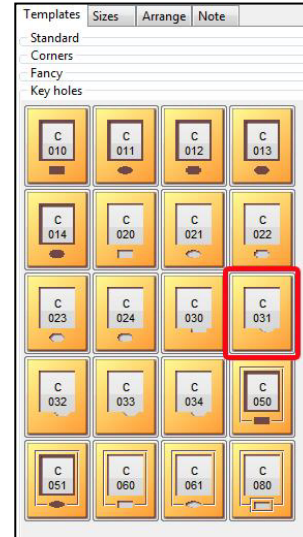
Many ideas are not hard to create once you know how. Here are some common useful design elements which are easy to use:

INSET OVAL

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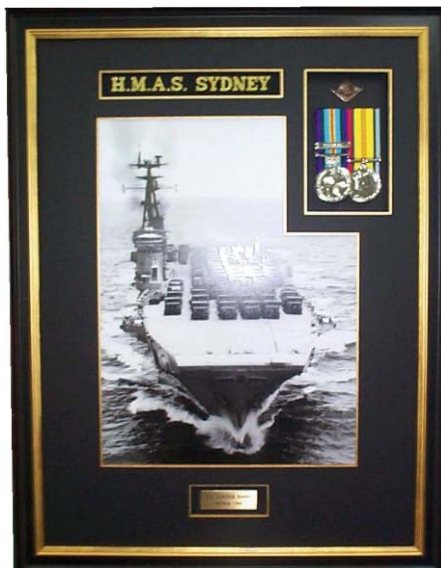
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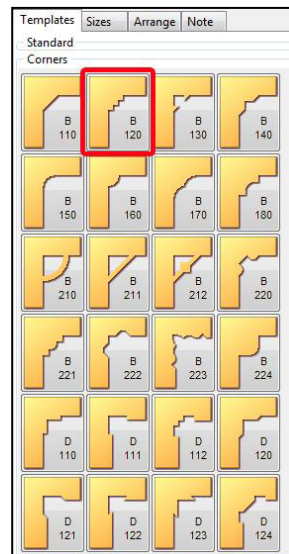
Method: when inputting your preferred dimension for your oval, enter in a negative number and the oval will be created internally rather than externally as indicated on the template diagram. Then rotate the whole template by -90 degrees.

INSET CORNER

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Method: when inputting your preferred dimension for your corner, set the step to one only, and un-tick three of the four corner check boxes to leave only one remaining.

SHADOW BOXES – HANDY TIP!

Making shadowbox frames is a common task for the custom framer, and there are some simple “trick” you can do to help make the task slightly easier using your CMC.

You can use your CMC to cut a special, “fold-in”, shadow box mat, which you can use as a quick insert liner, into a box frame you have made for an object.

Just follow these steps -

Step 1: Choose a large piece of matboard the chosen color you require for your internal box liner.

Step 2: Cut a v-groove in the back of a piece of matboard, to the same dimensions as your glass size. Make sure you allow lots of space around the v-groove, and you may also wish to make the v-groove a bit wider and deeper than normal. (*Figure 1*)

Step 3: Leave the mat in the machine (...still cutting from the back), cut a single offset corner opening around the v-groove, setting the offset distances to the depth of the box required. (*Figure 2*)

Step 4: Remove the internal fall out, and fold it into a shadow box, as required. (*Figures 3 & 4*)

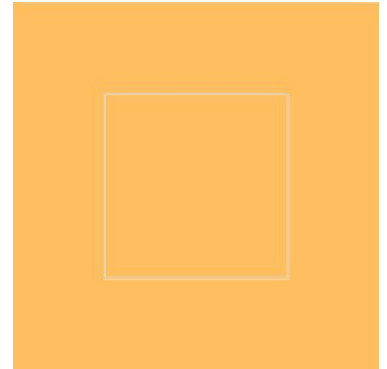


Figure 1
V-Groove

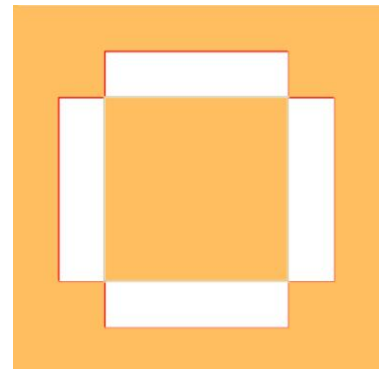


Figure 2
Offset Corner

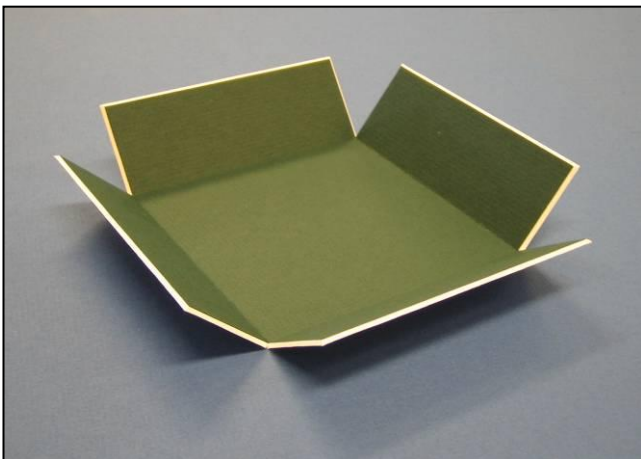


Figure 3



Figure 4