

BEAUTIFUL! I'D
LOVE TO GET
ONE OF THESE
(HINT, HINT!)



YOU SHOULD MAKE
ONE, THEN. IT
LOOKS LIKE FUN.

Pinpricked Dot Valentine

Valentine's Day was the paper craftsman's favorite holiday at the turn of the twentieth century. The Pennsylvania Dutch made particularly lovely valentines with a technique known as pinpricking. The card makers would prick holes through paper to create added detail. The end result was a valentine's card that you would remember in your heart forever.

What You'll Need

compass	scissors
lightweight paper	newspaper
tracing paper	safety pin
pencil	

What to Do:

1. Place compass point on the X point of the pattern at right below and pencil at the Z point.
2. With compass at this setting, draw a circle on lightweight paper.
3. Cut out circle and fold it in half. Fold the half-circle in half and then in half again.
4. With pencil, trace pattern along heavy solid and dotted outlines onto a sheet of tracing paper. Cut it out carefully.
5. Place cut tracing over folded circle and trace around pattern with pencil.
6. Cut out all areas corresponding to those lined in pattern.
7. Lay cut paper circle flat on several sheets of newspaper.
8. Hold open safety pin very carefully in your hand and poke tiny holes into cut paper in places indicated by dots in pattern. If you hold your pinpricked design open in front of a lamp, you will see shimmering dots of light.

