

Make It Match

Color Blend Mode Method: When and When NOT to Use it – Transcript

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Now that you understand how to use the color blend mode recoloring method, it's a good idea to quickly go over when and when not to use this method for recoloring.

So far we've used this method to recolor a solid paper, a basic flower, a patterned paper, and a two part flower. The color blend mode works great when there is only one color such as a solid paper or basic element. Or when there is more than one color, but the colors or parts are easily selected as it was with this two part flower and the polka dot paper.

But what if you have a flower like this? This flower has many parts. Can you count them all? First we have the yellow center, but it's not just yellow. It's made of little circles with varying colors of yellow and brown. Then we have these tiny brown leaves that surround the yellow center. Next we have the orange petals and finally we have these light orange streaks within the petals. This flower has many parts and trying to select each part will prove time consuming and frustrating. This is one of the times that using the color blend mode recoloring method won't work very well, if at all, because without the ability to easily select the parts, it's going to be difficult to recolor this item with this method and be successful.

The same concept for the flower applies to papers. Even with a paper like this, it's possible to use the color blend mode recoloring method because the colors are easily distinguishable and have clean lines. This makes using the magic wand tool easy for selecting the various colors of this pattern paper and recoloring them.

But with a paper like this, selecting the colors gets harder to do. Recoloring papers like this is not easy if even possible, and using the color blend mode on something like this, will have very little success.

So to review, when we want to use the color blend mode recoloring method, it's best to look for papers or elements with one color or items that have easily selected parts. Next up, we're going to start the homework for the color blend mode recoloring method. I'll see you there. This is Jenifer Juris with make it match.