

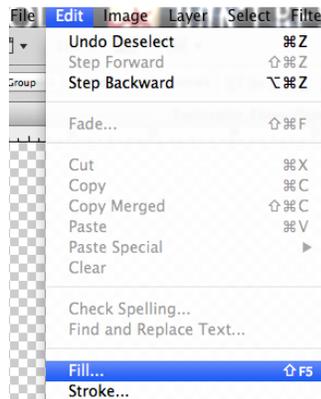
Simple|Basic Layered Pattern Tutorial using templates

There are so many way to accomplish making a patterned paper with a pre-designed template. I am going share 2 quick and simple ways to get you off and on your way to making your very own patterned papers.

Open up Eyeinspire_FlowerPaperTemplate.psd

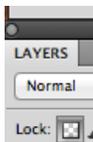
Now lets get started with the fun stuff!

- 1) Have in mind the colors that you want to work with for your project or open up a premade color swatch. You can find many swatches available for free on the internet. One of my personal favorites is **Colourlovers** or you can open up the swatch file included.
- 2) Select the "Background" layer by clicking on it. It should now be hi-lighted. Fill this layer with the color of your choice by going up to edit and then fill. Your background layer should now be completely filled with the color of your choosing. I chose a deep chocolatey brown for mine.



- 3) Now go to the "Pink Flower" layer. What we want to do now is flood fill just the pink flower portion of this template and leave the remaining area of this document transparent. There are two quick and simple ways I like to do this.

a- First way- In the layers palette, directly under the blending mode you will see a tiny icon that resembles a checkered box. When you click this icon it will lock anything transparent on this layer so that you can only edit the parts where there is color. Once your layer is locked go back up to edit and then flood fill with your color of choice.



b- Second way- You're going to make a selection by clicking on the layer and tapping command key on your keyboard at the same time if you are on a mac. Windows users will want to Ctrl-click on the layer. You should now see a selection around all the little pink flowers. Now it's time to go back up to edit and then "fill" with the color of your choice.

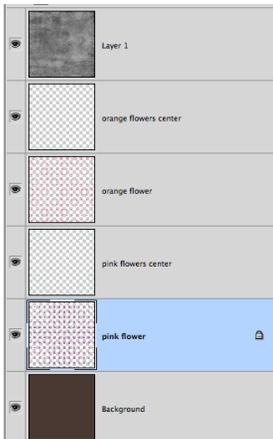
4) Repeat the last step you just did whether you choose route a or b and do the same process on the top 3 remaining layers.

- pink flowers center
- orange flower
- orange flowers center

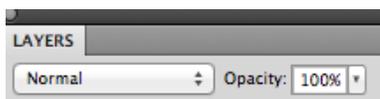
Now you should have what is starting to resemble a beautiful scrap-booking paper. However we are missing something. Our paper is looking a little lifeless and flat. Let's give it a little oomph!

5) Open the file Eyeinspire_TextureFun.jpg

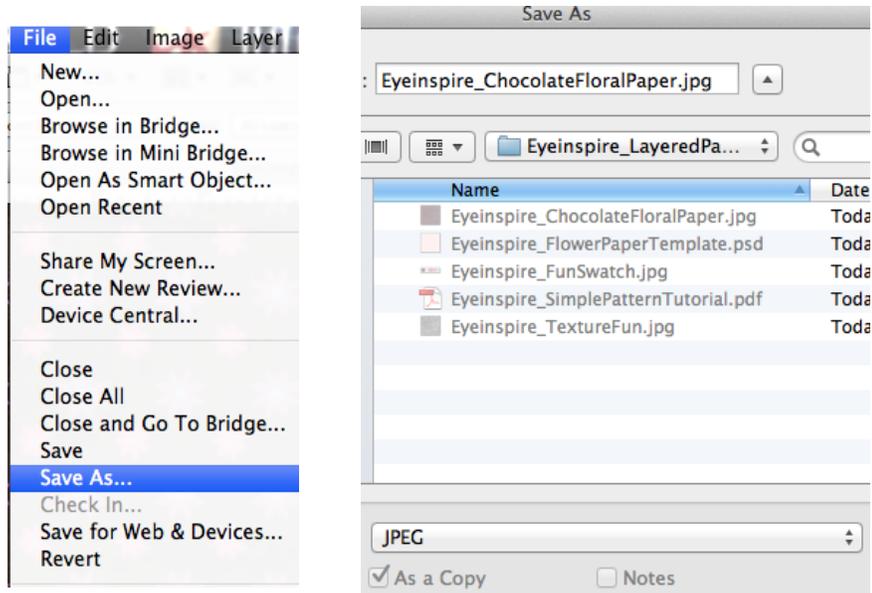
Hold down the shift key on your keyboard, click inside your TextureFun document and drag it onto your patterned file. You should now have your texture file perfectly centered on your pattern file. Make sure your texture is your top layer. If it is not grab it and drag it up above all layers.



Now in your layers palette you will see at the top a drop down box of several blending modes- starting with normal. Click on this and select " Soft Light". You may want to experiment and play with all the blending modes to see what each one does. The biggest key is to play with everything and have fun.



6) Save your paper as a .jpg file so you do not lose any of your hard work. File, Save as, Give it a lovely name and make sure to select jpg for file type.



Waaaalaaaa you now have a beautiful paper that you made all by your awesomely creative self!

Hope you make many gorgeous scrapbooking pages using the beautiful papers that you are now creating all by yourself! :)

Happy Creating!

xoxo
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