

Santa Claus Letter

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My inspiration for these “Santa Letter” ornaments came in part from Canada Post’s Santa Letter Program – as it happens, I am connected to one of the Postal Elves who make sure Santa’s replies get mailed to the children (and a few adults) who write to him.



To make the ornaments, I start with this image of an airmail envelope blank. In my software, I add the child’s name and address in blue

ink, using the same font as the one I used for Santa’s return address (it’s called Lovitz). Then I size the envelope to 3.3” wide and print on it 110 lb cardstock. I can generally fit six of the envelopes on an 8.5x11” sheet.

(BTW, that’s Santa’s real address, and if you write to him there, he will write back.)



Once the personalized envelope has been printed, give it a light spray with a clear coat finish.

When that dries, I score along the foldline, then cut out the shape and fold it along the scored line. I then glue the facing pieces together with a glue stick or tacky glue, and trim

around the entire shape close to the striped edge. I punch a 1/16" hole in the upper right corner next to the stamp, and use a jump ring to attach a beaded dangle. If I have one, I like to use a Santa bead as part of the dangle, but any mix of Christmassy beads will do. (I ran out of the Santa head beads I used for the first batch of these letters, so have used these others for subsequent iterations).



When I make the Santa Letter ornaments for adults, I like to use their childhood addresses as an added touch of childhood wonder and nostalgia. Happy Christmas!

