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# Welcome to July Alko Sew It All Club!

### Dakota Collectables! Available now at ALKO Sewing Center!







Check out these Dakota Collectables Projects & Crafty Collections

HERE

All available to order from ALKO Sewing Center!

### Time for a Survey!

THINKING ABOUT ONLINE ACCESS FOR SEWING AND EMBROIDERY . . .

## PLEASE SHARE YOUR OPINIONS WITH ME! PICK **ONE ANSWER** FOR EACH OF THE CATEGORIES BELOW

Think about how you search for Projects, Instructions, Information, & Inspiration

- ☐ I frequently search for this on Google or an alternative search engine
- □ I sometimes search for this on Google or an alternative search engine
- □ I rarely or never search for this on Google or an alternative search engine

Think **MORE** about how you search for Projects, Instructions, Information, & Inspiration

- ☐ I frequently search for this on YouTube
- ☐ I sometimes search for this on YouTube
- ☐ I rarely or never search for this on YouTube

Think **EVEN MORE**about how you search
for Projects,
Instructions,
Information, &
Inspiration

- ☐ I frequently search for this on Instagram
- ☐ I sometimes search for this on Instagram
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Think **ONE MORE TIME** about how you search for

Projects, Instructions, Information & Inspiration

- ☐ I frequently search for this on TikTok
- ☐ I sometimes search for this on TikTok
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Sewing, Embroidery, &
    Crafting
   with an iPad!?!
Let's Talk about it!!!
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### Crafty Cutting Adventures with the Brother ScanNCut!

Get started right out of the box - Included Accessories



- Getting Started Guide &
   12" x 12" Cardstock
- Accessories Pouch with Spatula and Stylus
- My Connection Activation Card for XP
- 12" x 12" Fabric Mat
- Iron-On Fabric Applique Sheet (2PCS)
- Pen Holder
- Erasable Pen Set (2PCS)
- Auto Blade with Holder
- Thin Fabric Auto Blade with Holder
- 12" x 12" Standard Tack Mat



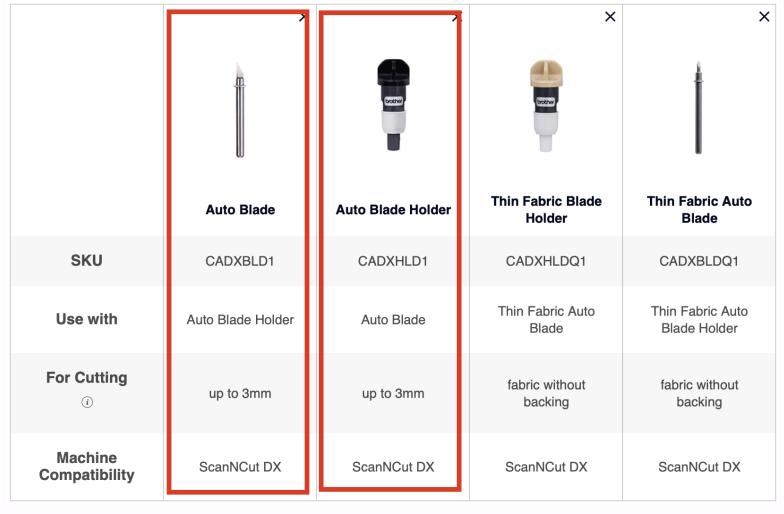
The "big" defining feature of this digital cutter is it's ability to scan. This technology comes from Brother's long history of printers and scanners.

Learn more **HERE**.

**Available at ALKO Sewing Center!** 

Today we're cutting cardstock. Super intricate cutting is possible with ScanNCut capability! Brother ScanNCut tips for cutting cardstock:

I like to have a "dedicated" blade and blade holder marked for cutting paper, cardstock, HTV
(heat transfer vinyl), PSV (pressure sensitive vinyl), and similar non-fabric craft materials. See
below:



Note: I'm using model SDX 325 – Current as of 7-2025

- I use a standard tack mat for cutting average weight cardstock. See recommendations below.
- It's important that your material never moves on your mat. Feel free to use low tack tape such as medical paper tape, Washi tape, or painters tape to further secure cardstock if you see that it is not thoroughly "sticking" in place. Depending on how your mat is used and what you cut, it IS possible to renew your mat multiple times. See next page for more details.

Material Thichkness			Mat (for ScanNCut DX)  * When cutting paper with a smooth surface		Sheet for fabric cutting		Auto blade holder	
			Standard tack adhesive mat	Low tack adhesive mat	Iron-on fabric appliqué contact sheet (white backing)	High tack adhesive fabric support sheet	Auto blade (black)	Thin Fabric Auto Blade (beige)
	Printer paper	80 g/m² (0.1 mm)	0	<b>✓</b>			<b>✓</b>	
	Scrapbook paper (thin)	120 g/m² (0.15 mm)		<b>V</b>			<b>✓</b>	
Paper	Scrapbook paper (medium-thick)	200 g/m² (0.25 mm)	<b>✓</b>	V*			1	
Ра	Cardstock	280 g/m² (0.35 mm)	<b>√</b>	V*			<b>√</b>	
	Vellum, tracing paper	0.07 mm		1			<b>✓</b>	
$\square$	Poster board	400 g/m² (0.5 mm)	✓	✓			1	
	Thin cotton fabric (for quilt piece)	0.25 mm	<b>✓</b>			<b>✓</b>		<b>✓</b>
	Thin cotton fabric (except for quilt piece)	0.25 mm	✓		1		1	
Fabric	Flannel (for quilt piece)	0.5 mm	<b>✓</b>			<b>V</b>		<b>/</b>
Fa	Flannel (except for quilt piece)	0.5 mm	<b>✓</b>		<b>✓</b>		<b>✓</b>	
	Felt	3 mm	✓		1		1	
	Denim 14 oz	0.75 mm	<b>V</b>		1		<b>✓</b>	
	Plastic sheet (PP)	0.2 mm	1				<b>✓</b>	
2	Vinyl	0.2 mm	<b>V</b>				<b>✓</b>	
Others	Magnet	0.3 mm	<b>/</b>				<b>✓</b>	
0	Sticker or seal	0.2 mm	✓	<b>✓</b>			<b>✓</b>	
	Foam sheet	3 mm	1				1	

<sup>\*</sup> This table in addition to basic information on fabric cutting are also described in the included Quick Reference Quick

Remember – Mats are "consumables" they will eventually need to be replaced. However, I regularly clean, renew, and maintain my mats as follows:

- Spray dirty or "linty" mats with full strength LA Totally Awesome All-Purpose cleaner.
- Loosen dirt and debris by lightly brushing cleaning solution over the mat with a soft toothbrush.
- Rinse with clear water and hang mat to dry. Once dry, put protective sheet back over mat and place mat in the clear envelope it came in. It's important to put the mat away soon after it dries. Mats exposed to air pick up fibers from the air and dry out, losing their tack factor.

Note: I do my mat cleaning in the bathtub, then hang mat on a shower hook to dry.





# Let's Go Sew with Joanne Banko Resources:

Reach out to Joanne via her sewing and embroidery website: <a href="www.letsgosew.com">www.letsgosew.com</a>
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Joanne Banko's blog: <a href="https://www.letsgosew.com/joanne-bankos-blog">https://www.letsgosew.com/joanne-bankos-blog</a>

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