

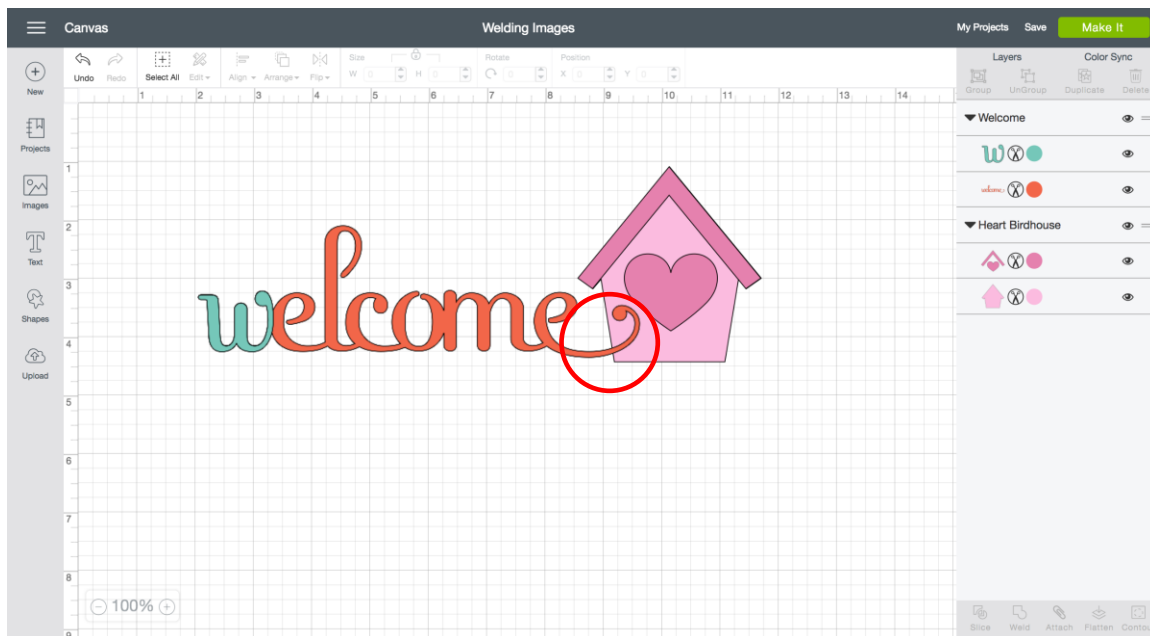
12.Layers Panel

F. Welding images

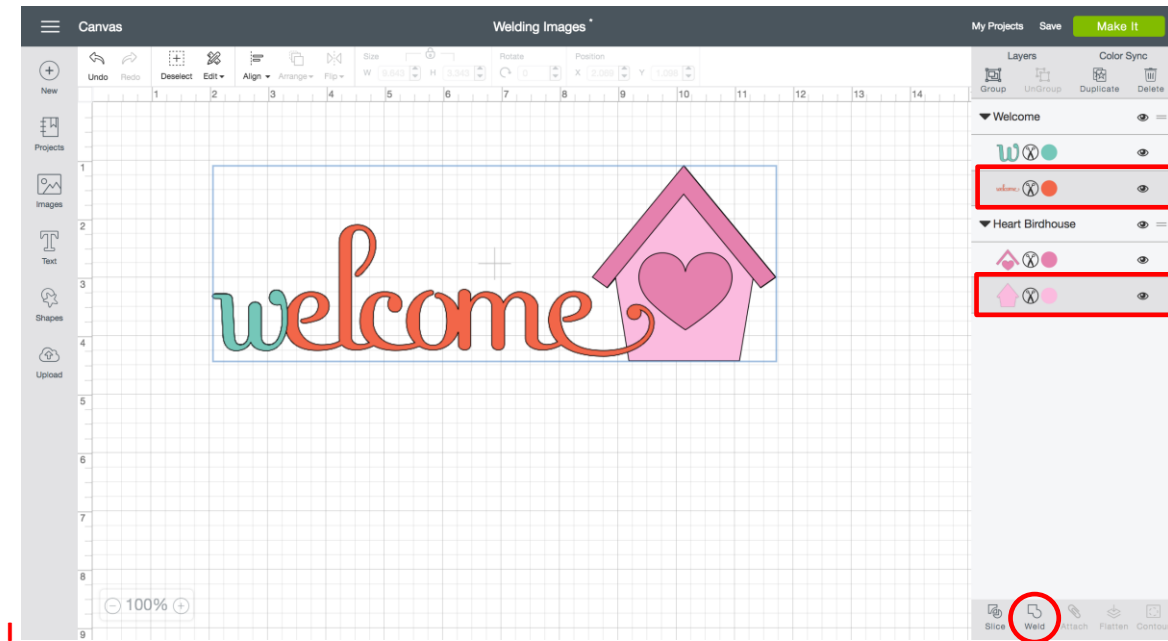
The Weld tool joins shapes to create a single customized image, removing any overlapping cut lines. This can be a great way to simplify a design or combine shapes to create new designs.

Step 1 Make sure the images you would like to Weld overlap.

Tip If you are working with multilayered images, you may want to Ungroup the layers to arrange them separately before welding.

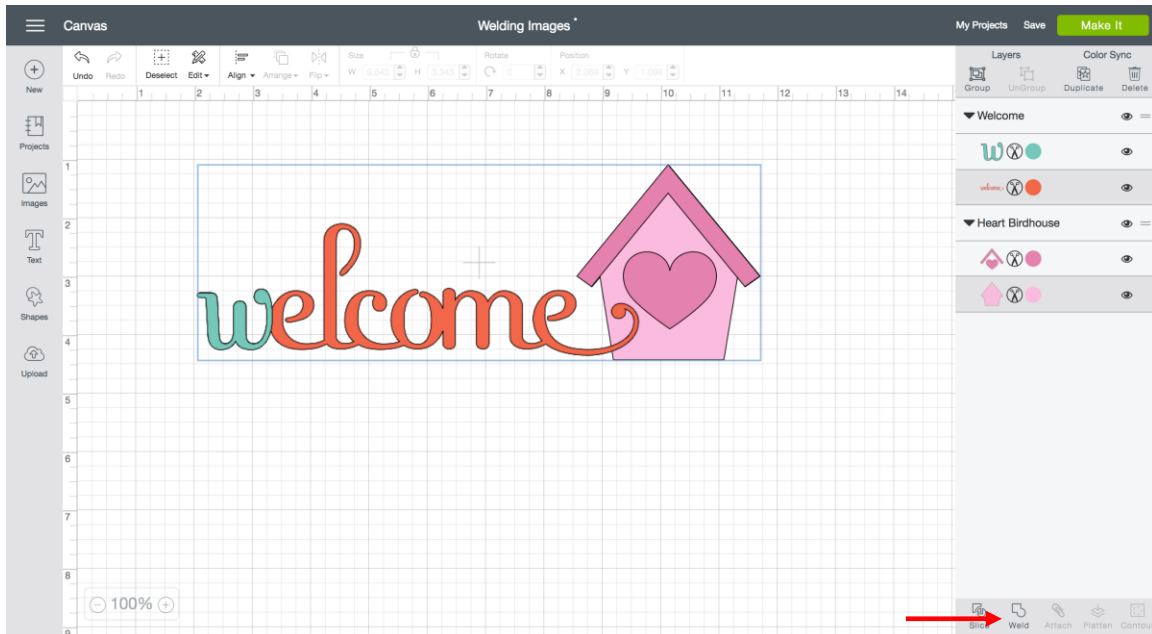


Step 2 Select all images that will be welded together. Once two or more layers are selected, the Weld tool will become active.

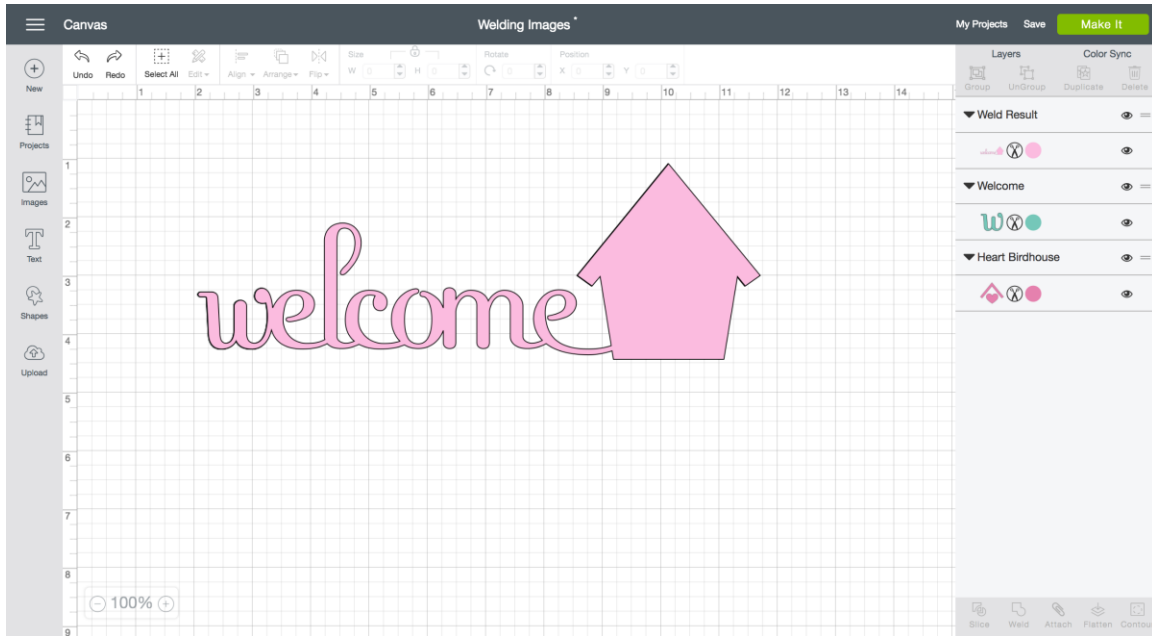


Tip When working with layers within a group, use the Shift key to select them individually from the Layers Panel.

Step 3 Click *Weld* in the Layers Panel, and the images will be merged together.



Wherever cut paths have intersected, only the exterior cut path will remain.



Tip You will know that your images are welded when they change to the same color and the new image will appear as a Welded Image in the Layers Panel. If needed, rearrange your layers back to their original position.

