15.Print then Cut

D. Separating printable image layers

Printable images are flattened and ready for Print then Cut. Some printable images have multiple layers that are hidden on the Canvas. However, you can separate the layers to edit individually or to Print then Cut them separately.

Step 1 Select a multilayer printable image from the Cricut[®] Image Library and click *Insert Images*.

Tip To easily find multilayer printable images, select the Printables and Multi-Layer filters from the Filters menu.





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Step 2 Your selected image will appear on the Canvas. Notice how the Layers Panel shows that a number of layers in the image are hidden from view (the Hide Icon is displayed on right-hand side of the layer).



Step 3 If you were to click *Make It* at this point, the artwork would Print then Cut as a single image.



Step 4 In this example, though, you want the individual layers to Print then Cut separately. On the Canvas, click the Hide/Show Icons to Hide the bottom layer (the combined image) and Show all the layers above. As you click the Hide/Show Icons, the Canvas will reflect your changes.





Step 5 If you were to click *Make It* at this point, the artwork would Print then Cut multiple separate images, one image for each layer.





Step 6 By showing some layers and hiding others, you can Print then Cut only the pieces you need. In this example, you could Print then Cut a number of swords without having to Print then Cut the knight.

For example, Hide all layers except the golden sword.



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What if you wanted more options, e.g., you wanted to rearrange the layers or combine layers in different ways?

Step 7 On the Canvas, select your image (it doesn't matter which layers are hidden or shown at this point), and click *UnGroup*.



Step 8 The layers are now separated. You can move them around independently of one another.

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Step 9 You can combine more than one layer together so that it prints and then cuts as a combined image. In this example, you want the suit of armor, red gloves, and ribbon to print together. Select those layers, the click *Flatten*.

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