A two-accent-nail Thanksgiving plan: dots or fine stripes

Pick two accent nails, one on each hand, and choose between small dots and fine stripes for them while the other eight nails stay plain dark cherry. The worksheet has a dots example, a stripes example, practice outlines and a ten-nail grid labelled left and right, thumb to little finger.

What you need

- Base coat and top coat
- Dark-cherry ordinary nail lacquer; check the selected shade and size
- One contrasting lacquer for the dots or stripes, such as gold or cream
- A dotting tool for dots, or a striping brush or striping tape for stripes
- The worksheet and a pen
- A separate practice nail tip

Steps

1. Mark the two accent nails
On the ten-nail grid, circle one nail on each hand, usually the same finger on both, such as the ring finger. Matching positions keep the two hands balanced; this is FigureNook styling guidance.

2. Practise dots and stripes on paper
Draw one or more small dots on a practice outline and two or three fine parallel stripes on another. Compare them with the examples and choose one pattern for both accents.

3. Paint the dark-cherry colour
On a separate practice tip, apply base coat and dark-cherry lacquer in thin coats as the selected product label directs. Let the color dry before adding the accent.

4. Add the accent and seal
Try the dots or stripes in contrasting lacquer on the practice tip first, then apply to the two chosen accent nails if desired and finish with a compatible top coat. Follow product directions; use good ventilation and keep products away from flames and heat, as FDA advises.

Tips

- Wipe the dotting tool on a paper towel between dots so each dot stays the same size.
- Run stripes at the same angle on both accent nails so the two hands match.
- The optional product link is an affiliate link. Check the selected option, size, care directions and current return terms. Other illustrated items are separate.
- Keep lacquer away from skin and eyes; follow each product’s drying and removal directions.

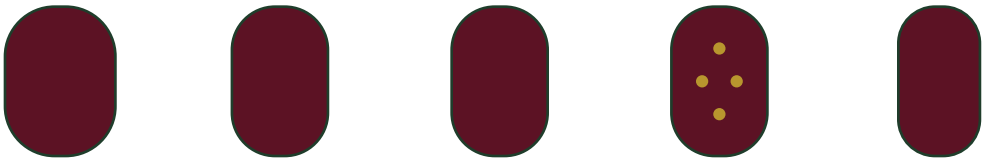
Full guide: https://figurenook.com/guides/a-two-accent-nail-thanksgiving-plan-dots-or-fine-stripes/

Your worksheet

Choose the accent pattern

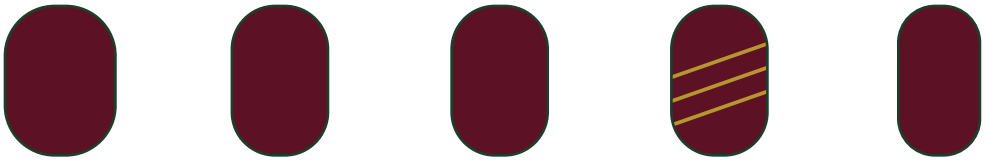
Examples: the ring finger carries the accent; the other nails stay plain dark cherry. Outlines are for planning, not nail sizing.

Dots



Thumb Index Middle Ring Little

Fine stripes



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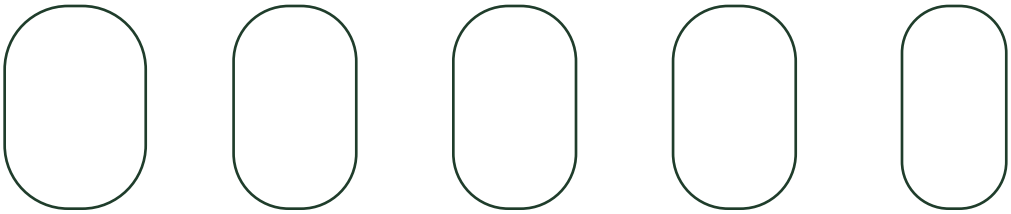
Practice



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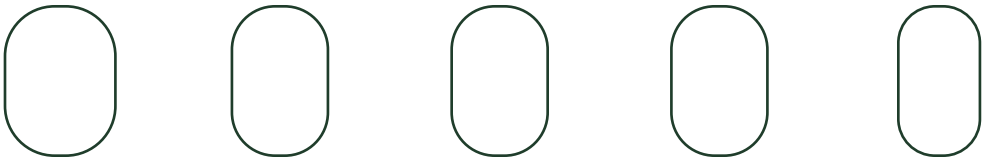
Pattern chosen ☐ Dots ☐ Fine stripes

Ten-nail grid

Circle the two accent nails; the other eight stay plain dark cherry. Each hand is drawn thumb to little finger, left to right.

Left hand



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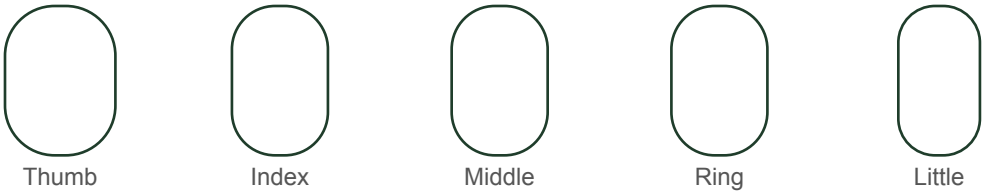
Right hand



Thumb Index Middle Ring Little

Accent nail, left hand _____

Accent nail, right hand _____

Contrasting lacquer used _____

Painting order

- ☐ Base coat on all ten
- ☐ Dark-cherry coats applied as the product label directs
- ☐ Colour dry before the accent
- ☐ Accent on the two marked nails only
- ☐ Top coat on all ten
- ☐ Worked with ventilation, away from flames

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Sources

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