

# Winter Village at Night Charger

*Recipe Courtesy of Gare, Inc.*

## Ingredients

### **Bisque**

# 1013 Tuscany Coupe Charger

### **Color**

FS-2300 Polar Bear  
FS-2314 Black Lab  
FS-2315 What-a-Yolk  
FS-2392 Rockin' Red  
FS-2396 Anchors Away

### **Brushes and Other Materials**

# 6566 Crafter's Choice Detail Brush  
# 6571 Aqualon™ Soft Fan Brush  
# 6671 Majestic #12 Round Brush  
# 6322 Fun Writer (4)



## Instructions (Read all instructions before you begin)

**Step 1-** Apply 2-3 coats of Black Lab to the bottom 3<sup>rd</sup> of the charger using a soft fan brush.

**Step 2-** Make two copies of the pattern below (NOTE: You may have to reduce or enlarge the pattern depending on the piece you choose to decorate). Use one to cut out the houses and, using the paper technique, adhere them to the area you just painted as shown in the photo above. Wipe around the paper with a damp sponge to remove any of the Black Lab paint that extends beyond the paper.

**Step 3-** Using a soft fan brush, cover the entire plate in 3 coats of Anchors Away.

**Step 4-** Add a small amount of Black Lab to the Anchor's Away, and apply a 4<sup>th</sup> thin coat with a #12 Round Brush using a horizontal sweeping motion to achieve striations in the sky as shown above.

**Step 5-** Peel away paper to reveal the solid black houses on the charger, and let dry.

**Step 6-** Align the second copy of the full so that the houses in the village line up and trace the remaining detail.

**Step 7-** Using a Fun Writer filled with What-a-Yolk, draw and fill in the windows on the houses.

**Step 8-** With a Fun Writer filled with Black Lab or a fine detail brush, add lines to create window panes.

**Step 9-** Using the Fun Writer filled with Polar Bear, fill in the snowbanks and snow around the houses.

**Step 10-** To create fir trees, apply a thick vertical 2-3 inch line with a Fun Writer filled with Polar Bear. Use the tip of the fun writer to pull the paint to the left and right horizontally, gradually increasing the distance as you work your way toward the bottom.

**Step 11-** To create larger trees, use a Fun Writer filled with Polar Bear to draw and fill in the thicker main stalk, then gradually draw in boughs and branches.

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**Step 12-** Using a Fun Writer filled with Rockin' Red, draw and fill in Christmas ornament. Use the Fun Writer filled with Black Lab to draw the wire on the ornament.

**Step 13-** Dip a toothbrush in Polar Bear and gently splatter entire charger to create snow. You can also use a snowflake stamp to apply random snowflakes.

**Step 14-** Clear glaze and fire to a cone 06.

Special Notes:

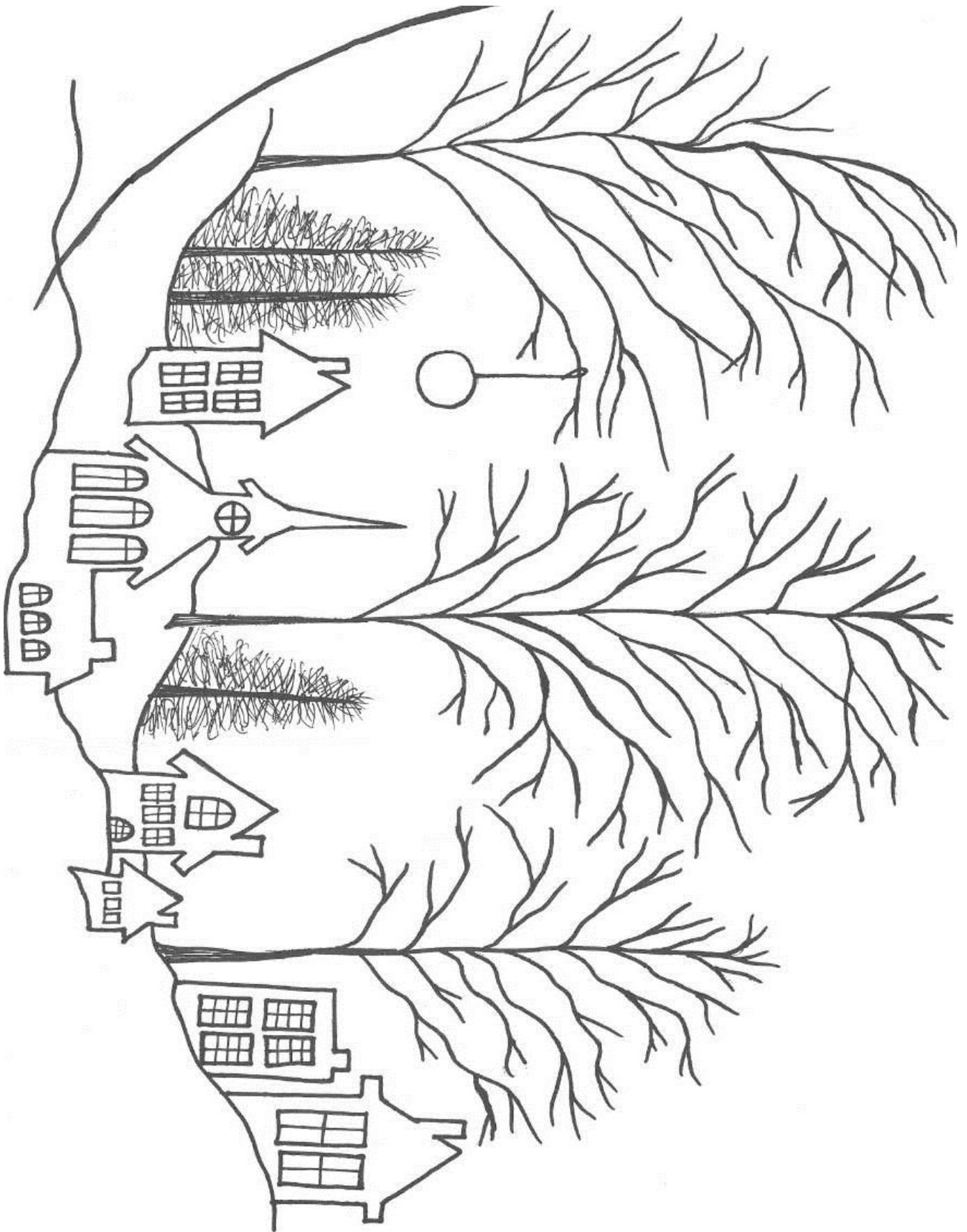
**General information about the paper technique:** The paper has to be applied with a glaze under it as in this technique. It cannot stick directly to bisque because when the bisque dries it will fall off. Also the paper must be wet in order for it to stick to the glaze. When using smaller paper pieces you can dip right into the water, apply, and use a sponge to dab off the excess. If the paper stencil is large you won't be able to dip it into the water because it will be too flimsy. Instead, you will need to use a soft fan brush and wet the brush and apply it to the area that you'll be putting the pattern on. Do this lightly so you don't mess the design, then dab it with the sponge to remove excess water. This technique doesn't work well if the paper is applied to wet glaze from recent application. Glaze must be dry to the touch. (If you want to do this technique right onto the bisque without any color you would need to use contact paper instead of regular copy paper.)

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