

Cricut Maker 4

Cricut Maker 4 and EasyPress 3 Combo Instruction Manual

Model: Maker 4 | Brand: Cricut

1. INTRODUCTION

This manual provides detailed instructions for setting up, operating, and maintaining your Cricut Maker 4 cutting machine and Cricut EasyPress 3 heat press. This combo bundle is designed to enhance your crafting experience, allowing you to create a wide range of personalized projects with precision and ease.

2. WHAT'S IN THE BOX

Your Cricut Maker 4 and EasyPress 3 Combo Bundle includes the following items:

- 1x Cricut Maker 4 Cutting Machine
- 1x Cricut EasyPress 3 (9 in x 9 in)
- 1x Cricut Tool Set (including scissors, weeder, spatula, scraper, tweezers)
- 2x 3ft Rolls Cricut Smart Iron-on Material
- 1x Cricut Infusible Ink Sheets
- 1x Cricut Cutting Mat
- 1x Fine Point Blade (pre-installed in Maker 4)
- 1x Pen
- Sample Materials
- Power Cord and USB-C Cable
- Digital Guide with instructional manual, project tutorials, and SVG Digital Designs (access details provided in box)



Figure 1: Overview of the Cricut Maker 4 and EasyPress 3 Combo Bundle contents.

Video 1: Unboxing the Cricut Maker 4 bundle, showing various included materials and tools.

3. SETUP

3.1 Cricut Maker 4 Initial Setup

1. **Unpack the Machine:** Carefully remove the Cricut Maker 4 from its packaging. Lift the top lid gently to access the interior.
2. **Remove Foam Piece:** Locate and remove any protective foam pieces from inside the machine, especially around the blade carriage.
3. **Check Blade Installation:** Ensure the Fine Point Blade is securely installed in Clamp B. If not, open Clamp B, insert the blade, and close the clamp.
4. **Connect Power:** Plug the power cord into the machine and then into a wall outlet.
5. **Connect to Computer/Device:** Connect the machine to your computer via the USB-C cable or establish a Bluetooth connection. The Cricut Maker 4 supports wireless cutting via Bluetooth with compatible Windows,

Mac, Android, and iOS devices. Ensure your device is within 10-15 feet of the machine for optimal connection.

6. **Install Design Space Software:** Download and install the Cricut Design Space software on your computer or the Cricut Design Space app on your mobile device. Follow the on-screen prompts to complete the setup and registration.



BLUETOOTH CONNECTIVITY

Cut wirelessly using your Cricut Maker 4 machine via Bluetooth with compatible Windows, Mac, or Android and iOS Devices. Your device must stay within 10-15 feet of the machine.

Figure 2: The Cricut Maker 4 supports Bluetooth connectivity for wireless operation.

Video 2: A detailed unboxing of the Cricut Maker 4, showing the machine and initial setup steps like removing foam and checking blades.

3.2 Cricut EasyPress 3 Initial Setup

1. **Unpack the Machine:** Remove the Cricut EasyPress 3 from its packaging.
2. **Place on Safety Base:** Always place the EasyPress 3 on its insulated safety base when not in use or during cool-down.
3. **Connect Power:** Plug the power cord into the EasyPress 3 and then into a wall outlet.
4. **Download Cricut Heat App:** For optimal use, download the Cricut Heat app on your mobile device. This app allows you to send precise time and temperature settings via Bluetooth.

4. OPERATING THE CRICUT MAKER 4

4.1 Design and Material Preparation

1. **Create or Select Design:** Use the Cricut Design Space software/app to create your own design or select from thousands of pre-made projects.
2. **Select Material Settings:** In Design Space, choose the material you will be cutting. The Maker 4 can cut over 300 materials, including iron-on, vinyl, paper, fabric, balsa wood, and leather.
3. **Prepare Material:** Place your chosen material onto the appropriate Cricut cutting mat. Ensure it is smooth and securely adhered to prevent shifting during cutting.

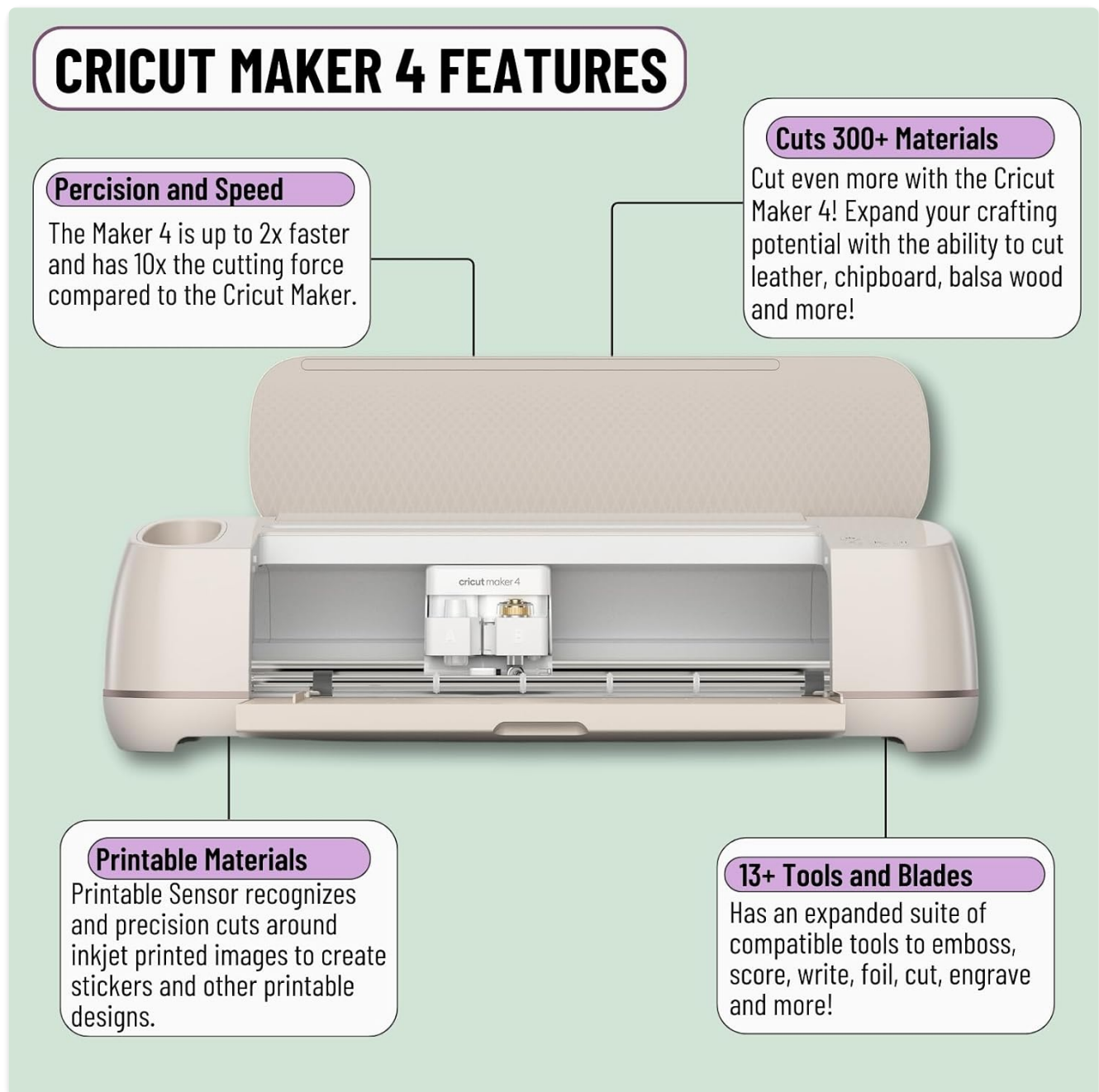


Figure 3: The Cricut Maker 4 offers precision and speed, cutting over 300 materials with various tools.

4.2 Cutting Process

1. **Load Mat:** Align the cutting mat with the guides on the machine and press the Load/Unload button (arrow icon) to feed the mat into the machine.
2. **Start Cutting:** Once the mat is loaded and the machine is ready, press the Go/Cut button (Cricut logo icon) to

begin the cutting process. The machine will precisely cut your design.

3. **Unload Mat:** After cutting is complete, press the Load/Unload button again to release the mat.



Figure 4: A crafter using the Cricut Maker 4 to cut a design from vinyl material.

Video 3: Demonstration of loading vinyl into the Cricut Maker 4 and the cutting process, followed by weeding and application to a mug.

Video 4: This video highlights the scoring function of the Cricut Maker 4, useful for creating precise folds in materials like cardstock.

4.3 Weeding and Application

1. **Weed Excess Material:** Use the included weeding tool to carefully remove any unwanted material from your cut design.
2. **Apply Transfer Tape:** For vinyl designs, apply transfer tape over your design to lift it from the backing.
3. **Apply Design:** Position your design onto your desired surface and use a scraper tool to adhere it firmly. Slowly peel back the transfer tape.

5. OPERATING THE CRICUT EASYPRESS 3

5.1 Heat Press Operation

1. **Power On:** Press the power button to turn on the EasyPress 3.
2. **Set Temperature and Time:** Use the Cricut Heat app to send precise time and temperature settings to your EasyPress 3 based on your material and heat transfer type (e.g., iron-on, Infusible Ink, sublimation). Alternatively, use the manual controls on the device.
3. **Preheat:** Allow the EasyPress 3 to preheat to the set temperature. The ceramic-coated heat plate heats up quickly.
4. **Apply Heat:** Place your material on a heat-resistant surface. Position your design, then place the EasyPress 3 firmly over the design for the recommended time.
5. **Cool Down:** Once complete, return the EasyPress 3 to its safety base to cool down. The auto-off feature will activate after a period of inactivity.



Figure 5: The Cricut EasyPress 3 features a Go Button, Temperature, Power, and Timer controls, along with a heat plate and safety base.

Video 5: This video demonstrates the ease of use of the Cricut EasyPress 3 for applying designs to fabric, including setting temperature and time.

6. MATERIALS AND TOOLS

6.1 Cricut Maker 4 Material Compatibility

The Cricut Maker 4 is capable of cutting over 300 different materials, offering extensive versatility for your projects. This includes:

- **Paper:** Delicate paper, cardstock, heavy watercolor paper, glitter cardstock, photo paper, etc.
- **Vinyl:** Iron-on vinyl (HTV), permanent vinyl, removable vinyl, shimmer vinyl, holographic vinyl, Infusible Ink transfer sheets.
- **Fabric:** Cotton, felt, denim, silk, canvas, leather (thin garment, genuine, tooling), etc.
- **Specialty Materials:** Balsa wood, chipboard, acetate, foil, craft foam, magnetic sheets, etc.

Compare Machines				
	Cricut Joy	Cricut Joy Xtra	Cricut Explore 4	Cricut Maker 4
Max Material Width	5.5 inch 13.9 cm	8.5 inch 21.59 cm	13 inch 33 cm	13 inch 33 cm
Max Cut Length	4 ft 1.2 m	4 ft 1.2 m	12 ft 3.6 m	12 ft 3.6 m
Material Compatibility	50+ Materials: Vinyl, HTV, Paper	50+ Materials: Vinyl, HTV, Paper, Stickers	100+ Materials: Vinyl, HTV, Paper, Stickers, Leather, Felt	300+ Materials: Vinyl, HTV, Stickers, Paper, Veneer, Fabric, Felt
Tools/ Capabilities	3 tools (cutting, writing, drawing & foiling)	3 tools (cutting, writing, drawing & foiling)	6 tools (cutting, writing, drawing, scoring, foiling)	13 tools (cutting, writing, scoring, foiling, debossing, engraving and more)
Commercial Grade Performance	N/A	N/A	N/A	✓
Compatible with Smart Materials	✓	✓	✓	✓
Works with Print-then-Cut to make stickers	N/A	✓	✓	✓
Free Design App (additional features with subscription)	✓	✓	✓	✓
Connectivity	Bluetooth Only	Bluetooth Only	Bluetooth, USB	Bluetooth, USB

Figure 6: A comparison table highlighting the extensive material compatibility of the Cricut Maker 4.

6.2 Adaptive Tool System

The Maker 4 works with 13 different blades and tools to add professional-level effects:

- **Cutting:** Fine Point Blade (included), Deep-Point Blade, Knife Blade.
- **Scoring:** Scoring Stylus, Scoring Wheel.
- **Writing:** Various pens and markers.
- **Specialty:** Debossing Tip, Foiling Tip, Engraving Tip, Perforation Blade, Wavy Blade.

6.3 Cricut Infusible Ink

Infusible Ink sheets are included in your bundle. These sheets allow for vibrant, permanent, and peel-proof transfers that become one with your base material. They are water-based and acid-free, ensuring high-quality results without flaking, peeling, cracking, or wrinkling.

CRICUT INFUSIBLE INK

Never flakes, peels, cracks, or wrinkles

Water-based, acid-free

Vibrant, pro-quality transfers

Vibrant hues

Create Infusible Ink Designs On:

Mugs

Pillows

Coasters

Tote Bags

Hats

Clothes

*Follow Care Instructions

Figure 7: Cricut Infusible Ink sheets create vibrant, permanent transfers on various compatible blanks.

7. MAINTENANCE

7.1 Cleaning Your Cricut Maker 4

- Regularly clean the cutting mat to maintain its stickiness. Use a scraper to remove small pieces of material.
- Wipe down the exterior of the machine with a soft, dry cloth.
- Periodically check the blade housing for debris and clean as needed.

7.2 Cleaning Your Cricut EasyPress 3

- Allow the heat plate to cool completely before cleaning.
- Wipe the heat plate with a soft, damp cloth. Do not use abrasive cleaners.

8. TROUBLESHOOTING

If you encounter any issues with your Cricut Maker 4 or EasyPress 3, please refer to the digital guide included with your bundle. For further assistance, visit the official Cricut support website.

- **Connectivity Issues:** Ensure Bluetooth is enabled on your device and the machine is within range. Restart both devices if necessary.
- **Cutting Problems:** Check that the correct material setting is selected in Design Space and that the blade is clean and properly installed. Replace the blade if it appears dull.
- **Heat Press Not Heating:** Verify the power cord is securely plugged in and the power button is on. Check the temperature setting.

9. SPECIFICATIONS

Feature	Specification
Product Dimensions	14 x 34 x 13 inches
Item Weight	32.25 Pounds
Item Model Number	z20-11084-N5
Brand	Cricut
Material	Plastic
Color	Heat Press Combo
Active Surface Area (EasyPress 3)	81 square inches
Operation Mode	Automatic

10. WARRANTY AND SUPPORT

Your Cricut Maker 4 and EasyPress 3 come with the original manufacturer's warranty. For detailed warranty information, product support, and additional resources, please visit the official Cricut website or refer to the digital guide included in your bundle.

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