CLAIMS:

1. A carrier for holding a plurality of containers, the carrier comprising:

a plurality of panels comprising at least one central panel, at least one attachment panel, at least one side panel, and at least one top panel, the at least one attachment panel configured to receive a portion of one or more containers of the plurality of containers; and

at least one reinforcement panel positioned between the at least one attachment panel and the at least one top panel,

the at least one central panel is for being positioned between and attached to adjacent containers of the plurality of containers,

the at least one reinforcement panel is generally upright relative to the at least one central panel, the at least one reinforcement panel is formed by a line of weakening, and the at least one reinforcement panel is at least partially formed in the at least one side panel.

2. The carrier of claim 1, wherein the line of weakening includes at least one curved segment intersecting a pair of oblique segments.

3. The carrier of claim 2, wherein the at least one side panel is foldably connected to the at least one attachment panel at a first fold line, and the at least one top panel is foldably connected to the at least one side panel at a second fold line, the at least one reinforcement panel interrupts at least one of the first fold line and the second fold line.

4. The carrier of claim 1, wherein the at least one central panel is a front central panel, the at least one attachment panel is a front attachment panel, the at least one side panel is a front side panel, the at least one top panel is a front top panel, and the plurality of panels further comprises a back central panel in at least partial face-to-face contact with the front central panel and for being positioned between and attached to adjacent containers of the plurality of containers, a back attachment panel, a back side panel, and a back top panel, the back attachment panel configured receive a portion of one or more containers of the plurality of containers.

5. The carrier of claim 4, wherein the at least one reinforcement panel is an at least one front reinforcement panel positioned between the front attachment panel and the front top panel, and the carrier further comprises at least one back reinforcement panel positioned between the back attachment panel and the back top panel.

6. The carrier of claim 1, wherein the at least one central panel is for being adhered to adjacent containers of the plurality of containers.

7. The carrier of claim 1, wherein the at least one central panel is a front central panel, the plurality of panels further comprises a back central panel in at least partial face-to-face contact with the front central panel, and at least one of the front central panel and the back central panel comprises a respective at least one opening in communication with the respective other of the front central panel and the back central panel.

8. The carrier of claim 7, wherein each of the front central panel and the back central panel comprises a respective at least one opening in communication with the respective other of the front central panel and the back central panel.

9. The carrier of claim 8, wherein the at least one opening in the front central panel is offset from the at least one opening in the back central panel.

10. The carrier of claim 9, wherein a portion of the back central panel is exposed through the at least one opening in the front central panel and a portion of the front central panel is exposed through the at least one opening in the back central panel.

11. The carrier of claim 9, wherein the front central panel is foldably connected to the back central panel at a lateral fold line, the at least one opening in the front central panel is spaced a first longitudinal distance from the fold line, the at least one opening in the back central panel is spaced a second longitudinal distance from the fold line, the first longitudinal distance is greater than the second longitudinal distance.

12. The carrier of claim 9, wherein the at least one attachment panel is a front attachment panel, the at least one side panel is a front side panel, the at least one top panel is a front top panel, and the plurality of panels further comprises a back attachment panel, a back side panel, and a back top panel, the back attachment panel configured receive a portion of one or more containers of the plurality of containers.

13. The carrier of claim 1, wherein the at least one top panel comprises at least one handle feature and the at least one central panel comprises at least a portion of at least one handle opening, the at

least one handle feature of the top panel is aligned with the at least a portion of the at least one handle opening.

14. A blank for forming a carrier for holding a plurality of containers, the blank comprising:

a plurality of panels comprising at least one central panel, at least one attachment panel, at least one side panel, and at least one top panel, the at least one attachment panel configured to receive a portion of one or more containers of the plurality of containers when the carrier is formed from the blank; and

at least one reinforcement panel positioned between the at least one attachment panel and the at least one top panel,

the at least one central panel is for being positioned between and attached to adjacent containers of the plurality of containers when the carrier is formed from the blank,

the at least one reinforcement panel is for being generally upright relative to the at least one central panel in the carrier formed from the blank, the at least one reinforcement panel is formed by a line of weakening, and the at least one reinforcement panel is at least partially formed in the at least one side panel.

15. The blank of claim 14, wherein the line of weakening includes at least one curved segment intersecting a pair of oblique segments.

16. The blank of claim 15, wherein the at least one side panel is foldably connected to the at least one attachment panel at a first fold line, and the at least one top panel is foldably connected to the at least one side panel at a second fold line, the at least one reinforcement panel interrupts at least one of the first fold line and the second fold line.

17. The blank of claim 14, wherein the at least one central panel is a front central panel, the at least one attachment panel is a front attachment panel, the at least one side panel is a front side panel, the at least one top panel is a front top panel, and the plurality of panels further comprises a back central panel, a back attachment panel, a back side panel, and a back top panel, the back attachment panel configured receive a portion of one or more containers of the plurality of containers when the carrier is formed from the blank.

18. The blank of claim 17, wherein the at least one reinforcement panel is an at least one front reinforcement panel positioned between the front attachment panel and the front top panel, and the carrier further comprises at least one back reinforcement panel positioned between the back attachment panel and the back top panel.

19. The blank of claim 14, wherein the at least one central panel is a front central panel, the plurality of panels further comprises a back central panel for being positioned in at least partial face-to-face contact with the front central panel when the carrier is formed from the blank, and at least one of the front central panel and the back central panel comprises a respective at least one opening for being positioned in communication with the respective other of the front central panel and the back central panel.

20. The blank of claim 19, wherein each of the front central panel and the back central panel comprises a respective at least one opening for being positioned in communication with the respective other of the front central panel and the back central panel when the carrier is formed from the blank.

21. The blank of claim 20, wherein the front central panel is foldably connected to the back central panel at a lateral fold line, the at least one opening in the front central panel is spaced a first longitudinal distance from the fold line, the at least one opening in the back central panel is spaced a second longitudinal distance from the fold line, the first longitudinal distance is greater than the second longitudinal distance.

22. The blank of claim 20, wherein the at least one attachment panel is a front attachment panel, the at least one side panel is a front side panel, the at least one top panel is a front top panel, and the plurality of panels further comprises a back attachment panel, a back side panel, and a back top panel, the back attachment panel configured receive a portion of one or more containers of the plurality of containers when the carrier is formed from the blank.

23. The blank of claim 14, wherein the at least one top panel comprises at least one handle feature and the at least one central panel comprises at least a portion of at least one handle opening, the at least one handle feature of the top panel is for being aligned with the at least a portion of the at least one handle opening when the carrier is formed from the blank.

24. A method of forming a carrier for holding a plurality of containers, the method comprising:

obtaining a blank comprising a plurality of panels comprising at least one central panel, at least one attachment panel, at least one side panel, and at least one top panel, the blank further comprising at least one reinforcement panel positioned between the at least one attachment panel and the at least one top panel;

folding the plurality of panels to form the carrier such that the at least one attachment panel receives a portion of one or more containers of the plurality of containers;

positioning the at least one central panel between adjacent containers of the plurality of containers; and

attaching the at least one central panel to adjacent containers of the plurality of containers,

the at least one reinforcement panel is generally upright relative to the at least one central panel, the at least one reinforcement panel is formed by a line of weakening, and the at least one reinforcement panel is at least partially formed in the at least one side panel.

25. The method of claim 24, wherein the line of weakening includes at least one curved segment intersecting a pair of oblique segments.

26. The method of claim 25, wherein the at least one side panel is foldably connected to the at least one attachment panel at a first fold line, and the at least one top panel is foldably connected to the at least one side panel at a second fold line, the at least one reinforcement panel interrupts at least one of the first fold line and the second fold line.

27. The method of claim 24, wherein the at least one central panel is a front central panel, the at least one attachment panel is a front attachment panel, the at least one side panel is a front side panel, the at least one top panel is a front top panel, and the plurality of panels further comprises a back central panel, a back attachment panel, a back side panel, and a back top panel, and the folding the plurality of panels further comprises positioning the back central panel in at least partial face-to-face contact with the front central panel, and positioning the back attachment panel to receive a portion of one or more containers of the plurality of containers.

28. The method of claim 27, wherein the at least one reinforcement panel is an at least one front reinforcement panel positioned between the front attachment panel and the front top panel, and the carrier further comprises at least one back reinforcement panel positioned between the back attachment panel and the back top panel.

29. The method of claim 24, further comprising adhering the at least one central panel to adjacent containers of the plurality of containers.

30. The method of claim 24, wherein the at least one central panel is a front central panel, the plurality of panels further comprises a back central panel, at least one of the front central panel and the back central panel comprises a respective at least one opening, and the folding the plurality of panels further

comprises positioning the back central panel in at least partial face-to-face contact with the front central panel such that the respective at least one opening of the at least one of the front central panel and the back central panel is in communication with the respective other of the front central panel and the back central panel.

31. The method of claim 30, wherein each of the front central panel and the back central panel comprises a respective at least one opening, and the folding the plurality of panels further comprises positioning the respective at least one opening of the at least one of the front central panel and the back central panel in communication with the respective other of the front central panel and the back central panel.

32. The method of claim 30, wherein the at least one opening in the front central panel is offset from the at least one opening in the back central panel.

33. The method of claim 32, wherein a portion of the back central panel is exposed through the at least one opening in the front central panel and a portion of the front central panel is exposed through the at least one opening in the back central panel.

34. The method of claim 32, wherein the front central panel is foldably connected to the back central panel at a lateral fold line, the at least one opening in the front central panel is spaced a first longitudinal distance from the fold line, the at least one opening in the back central panel is spaced a second longitudinal distance from the fold line, the first longitudinal distance is greater than the second longitudinal distance.

35. The method of claim 32, wherein the at least one attachment panel is a front attachment panel, the at least one side panel is a front side panel, the at least one top panel is a front top panel, and the plurality of panels further comprises a back attachment panel, a back side panel, and a back top panel, and the method further comprises positioning the back attachment panel to receive a portion of one or more containers of the plurality of containers.

36. The method of claim 24, wherein the at least one top panel comprises at least one handle feature and the at least one central panel comprises at least a portion of at least one handle opening, wherein the folding the plurality of panels comprises aligning the at least one handle feature of the top panel with the at least a portion of the at least one handle opening.

37. A package, the package comprising:

a plurality of containers; and

a carrier holding the plurality of containers, the carrier comprising:

a plurality of panels comprising at least one central panel, at least one attachment panel, at least one side panel, and at least one top panel, the at least one attachment panel receiving a portion of one or more containers of the plurality of containers; and

at least one reinforcement panel positioned between the at least one attachment panel and the at least one top panel,

the at least one central panel is positioned between and attached to adjacent containers of the plurality of containers,

the at least one reinforcement panel is generally upright relative to the at least one central panel, the at least one reinforcement panel is formed by a line of weakening, and the at least one reinforcement panel is at least partially formed in the at least one side panel.

38. The package of claim 37, wherein the line of weakening includes at least one curved segment intersecting a pair of oblique segments.

39. The package of claim 37, wherein the at least one side panel is foldably connected to the at least one attachment panel at a first fold line, and the at least one top panel is foldably connected to the at least one side panel at a second fold line, the at least one reinforcement panel interrupts at least one of the first fold line and the second fold line.

40. The package of claim 37, wherein the at least one central panel is a front central panel, the at least one attachment panel is a front attachment panel, the at least one side panel is a front side panel, the at least one top panel is a front top panel, and the plurality of panels further comprises a back central panel in at least partial face-to-face contact with the front central panel and positioned between and attached to adjacent containers of the plurality of containers, a back attachment panel, a back side panel, and a back top panel, the back attachment panel receiving a portion of one or more containers of the plurality of containers.

41. The package of claim 40, wherein the at least one reinforcement panel is an at least one front reinforcement panel positioned between the front attachment panel and the front top panel, and the

carrier further comprises at least one back reinforcement panel positioned between the back attachment panel and the back top panel.

42. The package of claim 37, wherein the at least one central panel is adhered to adjacent containers of the plurality of containers.

43. The package of claim 37, wherein the at least one central panel is a front central panel, the plurality of panels further comprises a back central panel in at least partial face-to-face contact with the front central panel, and at least one of the front central panel and the back central panel comprises a respective at least one opening in communication with the respective other of the front central panel and the back central panel.

44. The package of claim 43, wherein each of the front central panel and the back central panel comprises a respective at least one opening in communication with the respective other of the front central panel and the back central panel.

45. The package of claim 44, wherein the at least one opening in the front central panel is offset from the at least one opening in the back central panel.

46. The package of claim 45, wherein a portion of the back central panel is exposed through the at least one opening in the front central panel and a portion of the front central panel is exposed through the at least one opening in the back central panel.

47. The package of claim 45, wherein the front central panel is foldably connected to the back central panel at a lateral fold line, the at least one opening in the front central panel is spaced a first longitudinal distance from the fold line, the at least one opening in the back central panel is spaced a second longitudinal distance from the fold line, the first longitudinal distance is greater than the second longitudinal distance.

48. The package of claim 45, wherein the at least one attachment panel is a front attachment panel, the at least one side panel is a front side panel, the at least one top panel is a front top panel, and the plurality of panels further comprises a back attachment panel, a back side panel, and a back top panel, the back attachment panel receiving a portion of one or more containers of the plurality of containers.

49. The package of claim 37, wherein the at least one top panel comprises at least one handle feature and the at least one central panel comprises at least a portion of at least one handle opening, the at least one handle feature of the top panel is aligned with the at least a portion of the at least one handle opening.