

HAND MADE ALBUMS

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Create a twelve page mini-book from a single sheet of paper...scoring, trimming and folding are all it takes. The unique way of cutting and folding this book creates double pages that are perfect for the creation of pockets that can be used to hold photos and journaling. Add a cover and you have the makings of a truly special and personal mini-memory book.

1. Trim paper to 16.5" x 22".
2. Measure and score the sheet into fourths (lengthwise) and into thirds (widthwise) creating twelve squares that measure 5.5" x 5.5" each. (fig.1)

3. Cut along the horizontal score lines stopping at the last 5.5" square, first cutting from left to right, then from right to left. (fig.2)

4. Accordion fold along the score lines beginning at the top right corner. When you get to an end, truck the folded row under the next square and accordion fold the next row, tuck again and accordion fold the final row.

5. All of the pages will be double sheets, except for the first and last page. Cut a 4" slit in the middle of every double page. Punch 1/16" holes at both ends of each slit to prevent the slit from tearing. Add sticker decorations under each slit.

6. stick each double page together, omitting adhesive directly under the slit, creating a pocket to allow placement of a journaling card inside each pocket. (fig.3)

7. Create a book cover that is slightly larger than the book pages with a double folded spine to accommodate the book's thickness. Attach the first and last page of the book to the book cover with adhesive. (fig.4)

8. Decorate the book cover with contrasting colored mats and a sticker threaded through a metal charm. (fig.5) Add metal letters that represent the initials of the book's owner to complete the project.

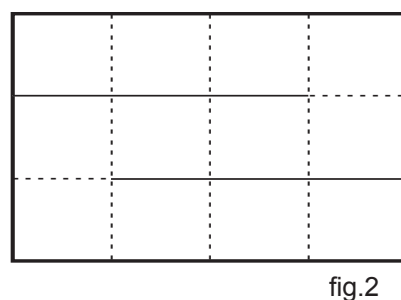
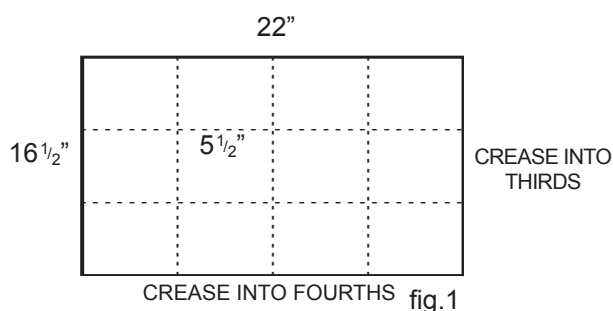


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MATERIALS

- Stickers: Mrs. Grossman's
- Paper: Canson
- 1/16" Hole Punch: Making Memories
- Metal Charms: Making Memories
- Adhesive: Hermafix and glue dots