

TRAVEL PAGES

Meal Memories

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Document the marvelous meals and the funky fast food from a vacation with a gate style of album. So much of a vacation is spent eating out, why not create a special meal memory book to remember the cuisine? Create clear pockets from page protectors to provide storage for everything from tea bags, to candy wrappers, to wine labels and everything in between.

1. Cut 4 pieces of black card stock 5 1/4" x 7 1/2" for the front covers and one piece 7 1/2" x 11" for the back cover. Mark one edge of both front covers three quarters of an inch from the top and bottom then mark every inch in between resulting in 7 tick marks.

2. Trim 12 metallic stickers 1" x 2". Double up each strip, leaving a quarter inch of adhesive showing on both ends. Loop the sticker strip, using the exposed sticky ends to attach it to the front cover, lining up each loop with the tick marks. Place the pencil, straw or chop stick inside the stickers strips when you are creating the loops to insure that the pencil will fit inside the loops.

3. Cover up the quarter inch tab of sticker showing on both sides of the front covers...The outside front is covered with a matching piece of black cardstock, the inside front is lined with red paper that is a quarter inch smaller than the cover.

4. Place the front covers together so that all of the metallic loops are intertwined and thread the pencil through. This will create the closure to the gate style of album.

5. Align the front covers with the back cover and punch with a roll-a-bind tool. Cut interior pages (also 5 1/4" x 7 1/2" and punch one side of each to allow placement inside the album. Bind the pages and covers with the roll-a-bind discs.

6. Trim page protectors to 5 1/4" x 7 1/2" leaving the bottom and right (holeless) side intact and punch with roll-a-bind also. Add trimmed page protectors into the album every page you want to store a souvenir.

7. Decorate the covers with silverware die-cut from metallic stickers, large circles and rub on lettering.

8. Decorate the inside pages with matching stickers and lettering and travel souvenirs collected from each restaurant visited.

9. Write about your culinary adventures on each page with a contrasting colored pen.



MATERIALS

- Metallic stickers: Mrs. Grossman's
- Patterned paper: Paper Patch
- Rub on letters: Making Memories
- Silverware dies: Ellison
- Wine label remover: Un-Du
- Plain paper: Canson
- Cardstock: Making Memories
- Binding system: Roll-a-Bind
- Page protectors: Mrs. Grossman's
- Black and silver pens: Sakura