

Paper Phenomenon

Beach Bag/Purse Mini Album

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Supply List

1. Chipboard - 3 sheets of 12"x 12" Medium weight chipboard.
2. Pattern Paper of choice, based on your theme. For this album I used the Graphic 45 Tropical Travelogue Collection.
3. Cardstock – 12 sheets 12"x 12" cardstock or 8.5"x 11" where applicable
4. Tyvek – you can find Tyvek at your local office supply store or online. This is a Dupont product brand that is used for mailing supplies such as envelopes. This material does not tear and it's very thin, making it perfect for reinforcing paper projects. I purchase my Tyvek Envelopes at Office Depot .com
5. Tape – Double sided adhesive (scor-tape) and ATG or a tape runner. You can find scor-tape at scor-pal.com
6. Glue – Hot Glue or Wet glue such as Scotch Quick Dry
7. Paper Trimmer
8. Craft Knife such as an Exacto Knife
9. Scoring board and bone folder
10. Ruler
11. Hole Punch- at least 1/8"
12. Ink – I used Ranger distress ink Vintage Photo and Orange Marmalade.
13. Various themed inspired embellishment to decorate as desired.
14. Belting for the Handles, I used a 1" belting. You will need about 1 yard
15. Brads- you will need 4 large silver brads.

Cutting Guide

Album Cover -3 Sheets of 12"x 12" Chipboard Medium Weight

Cut 2 pieces at 9"x 7"

Cut 1 piece at 7"x 3"

- **Tyvek- Cut at 7"x 7"**

If you do not have Tyvek you can use cardstock instead.

Base Page – Card stock Black, 6 sheets of 8.5"x 11"

- **Cut 6 pieces at 7" x 11"**

Score on the 11" side at .650"

Page Add-on A - Card stock Black, 6 sheets of 8.5"x 11"

- **Cut 6 pieces at 8" x 4.50"**

Score on the 8" side at .50" on each side

Page Add on – B Large Diagonal Pocket - Card stock Black, 3 sheets of 8.5"x 11"

- **Cut 6 pieces at 5.25" x 5"**

Score on the 5" side at 4.50"

Page Add on – B Small Diagonal Pocket - Card stock Black, 3 sheets of 8.5"x 11"

- **Cut 3 pieces at 4" x 5"**

Score on the 5" side at 4.50"

Hidden Hinges, Card stock Black, 1 sheet of 8.5"x 11"

- **Cut 1 piece at 6 7/8" x 11"**

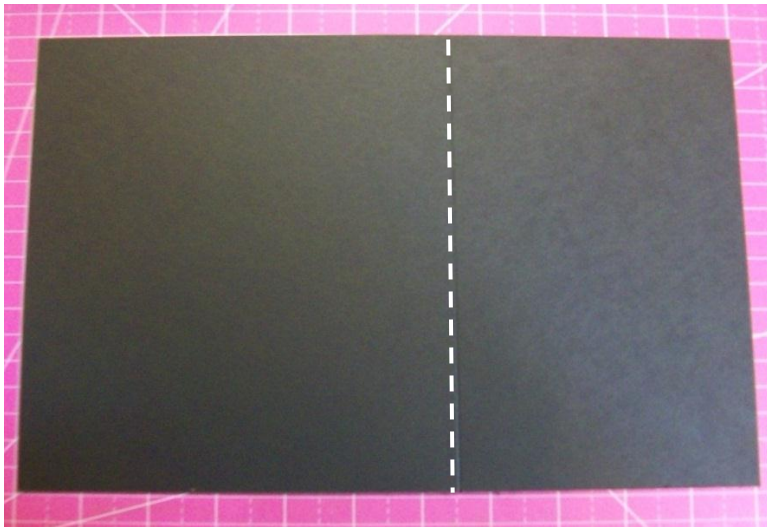
Score on the 11" side at 1 7/8" at each end

Then score at .50", .50", .25" spacing starting at the 1 7/8" score line, continue on this same sequence of .50", .50", .25" until you reach the score mark at the other end.



Base Page – Card stock, 6 Black 8.5”x 11”

- Cut 6 pieces at 7” x 11”



Score on the 11” side at 6.50”



Fold on the score line.

You will need to make six total base pages.

Set these aside.



Page Add-on A - Card stock, 6 Black 8.5"x 11"

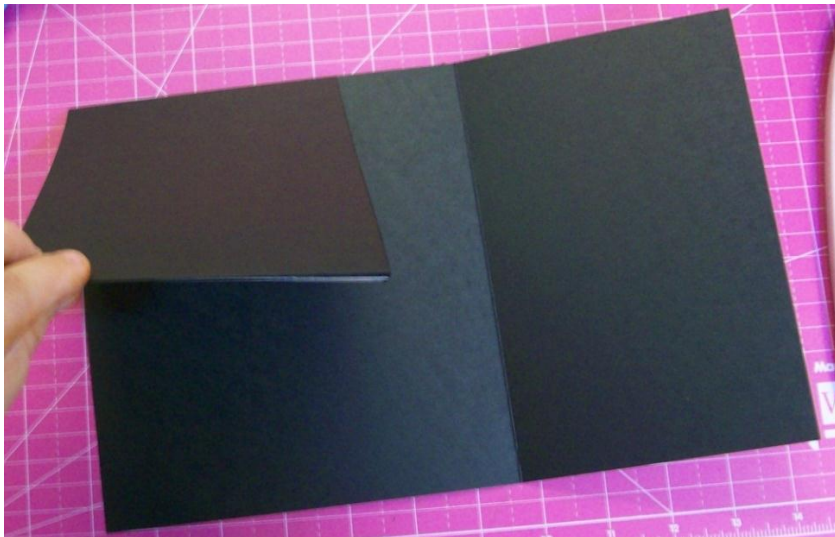
- Cut 6 pieces at 8" x 4.50"

Score on the 8" side at .50" on each side

Fold the flaps and apply double-sided adhesives to the flaps in the folded position.

You will need to make six total base pages.

Next, we assemble the left side or the wide side of the page.



Removed the tape backing from one of the sides of the flap of the Add-on A.

Working on the Left Side or the wide side of the base page, align the top of the add-on page to the top of the base page and stick it down, flush to the left-hand side, as shown in the image.



Remove the tape backing from the bottom flap of the add-on piece and stick it down as shown in the image.

This opening will enable you to eventually attach the page to the hidden hinge binding system that you will create in a later step.

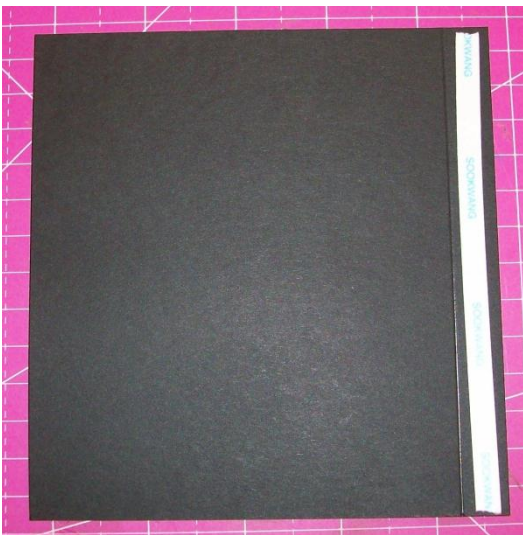
Repeat this process to the remaining five pages.



Page Add on – B Large - Card stock, 3 Black 8.5" x 11"

- Cut 6 pieces at 5.25" x 5"

Score on the 5" side at 4.50"



Apply double-sided adhesive to the flap in the extended position.

For the following step you can use your paper trimmer or a ruler and craft knife. In my case I used a paper trimmer. If you're using a paper trimmer, fold the flap down, away from you, place the piece of card stock in your paper trimmer with the flap folded, place the cardstock on the diagonal and remove 1.25". **The peak side is the side with the flap.**

You will need to create six pieces in total.



If you do not have a paper trimmer such as mine, you can measure 1 ¼ inches from the top down, make a mark and cut on the diagonal to the opposite corner as shown in the image.



Attaching the add-on B Large

To attach the add-on remove the tape backing and stick it down to the right-hand side of the base page extension.



This is how your piece should look. I recommend that you assemble all six pages up to this point and then proceed with the following steps as you will move into patterned paper.



Next, before you seal the pocket onto the left-hand side you have to mat the inside of the page as shown in the image.

Cut a piece of patterned paper 4" x 4 3/8" and stick it down in place as shown in the image.

Next, apply glue in an "L" formation to the diagonal flap as shown in the image below.

Secure the diagonal flap onto the left-hand side forming a pocket.



I recommend that you seal these pockets one at a time as you go along with the matting of your actual page. This will help you coordinate pattern papers easily.



Slit Pocket Mats

To create the slit pocket mats, you will be using patterned paper.

This technique serves double duty, it will mat your page with patterned paper and create a pocket.

Cut pattern paper down to 5 3/8" x 6 7/8".

Score on the 5 3/8" side at .50" on each side.

Apply double-sided adhesive to the side flaps in the extended position.



To create the slit, measure 1 inch from the top; down and .50" from each side beginning at the score line.

Draw a line connecting the dots from side to side as shown in the image.

Using a small hole-punch at least 1/8 of an inch punch a hole at each end of the line drawn. If you do not have a hole punch, pierce a hole using your preferred method.

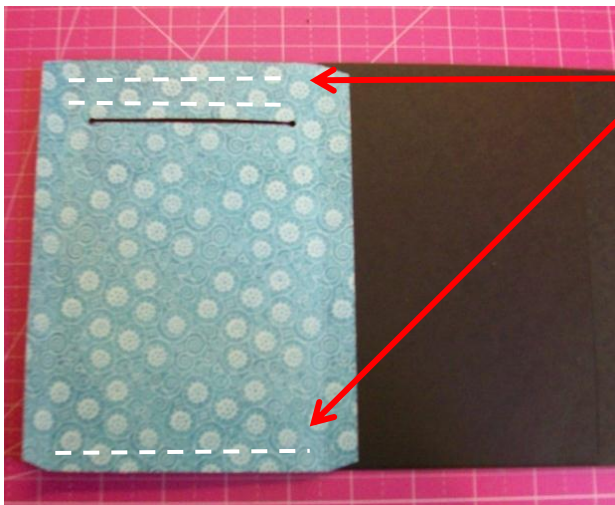
Using a craft knife create a slit as shown in the image.





Attaching the Slit Pocket Mat

Remove the tape backing from the left-hand side of the pocket mat and stick it down as shown in the image. You will be sticking it down on top of the add-on page A.



Next, you will apply wet glue such as a Scotch Quick Dry adhesive, to the areas shown in the image indicated by the white dotted lines.



Removed the tape backing from the other side of the Slit Pocket Mat and secure it down on the right-hand side as shown in the image.

Next, we will mat this area of the page.

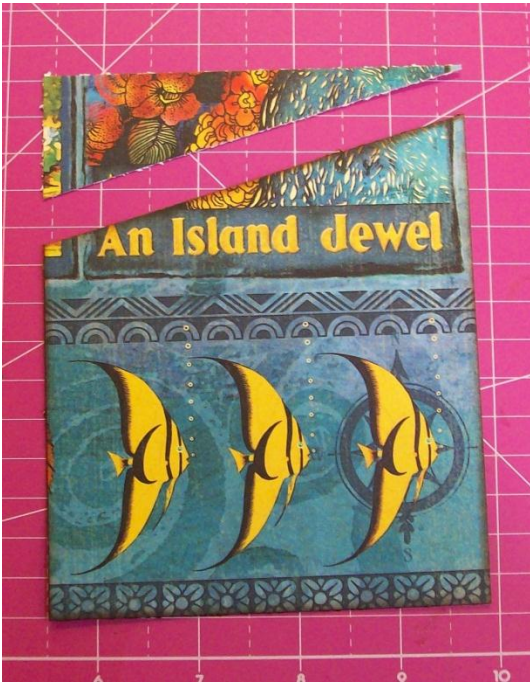
Cut a piece of patterned paper at 6 7/8" x 3".



Apply adhesive to the patterned paper and stick it down in place. I like to cut my patterned paper a little bigger than the area that needs to be covered so I can slip my patterned paper inside the pocket over the flaps and cover that area completely.

This is how your page should look once you mat the wide side of the page which should be on your left hand side.

Next, we will cover the diagonal pocket with patterned paper.



Cut a piece of patterned paper down to 5 1/8 of an inch by 4 3/8 of an inch.

Repeat the same process as you did with cutting the diagonal pockets by removing 1.25" from the top on the diagonal.



Apply adhesive to the pattern paper and mat on the diagonal pocket as shown in the image.

Once you finish with this page you can refer to page 30 for the rest of my matting pattern.

Refer to page 16 for the small diagonal pocket option. I used the small diagonal pocket on 3 pages. You may want to consider this before you mat all of the Large diagonal pockets.

Next, we are going to mat the right hand side of the page in the folded position. The measurement in the box is the correct measurement formatting this Slit Pocket Mat. However, the image below fit perfectly in this spot so I wanted to use it for my pocket mat. Therefore, you will see in the images below that I only have one flap as opposed to two flaps. If you want to use the same pattern paper as I did cut the image from the patterned paper. The image below measures about 5" x 7". I only scored on the right-hand side of the image at a half-inch. I turned the image onto the other side and folded the flap and applied adhesive to the flap in the folded position.



To create the slit pocket mats, you will be using patterned paper.

Cut the pattern paper down to 5 3/8" x 6 7/8".

Score on the 5 3/8" side at .50" on each side.

Apply double-sided adhesive to the side flaps in the extended position (you do not see this in the image).

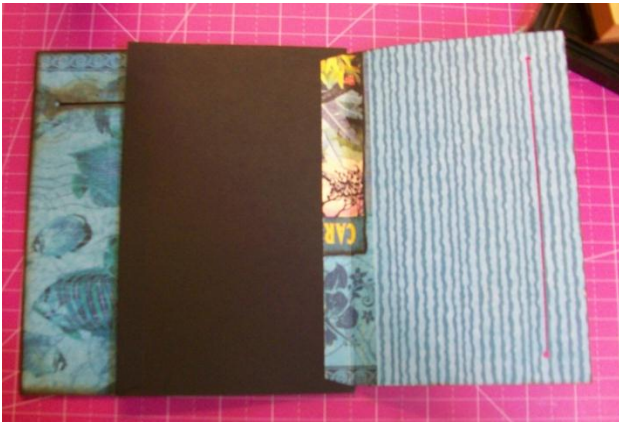
To create the slit, measure 1 inch from left hand side of the patterned paper beginning at the score line, (if you are using this specific pattern paper you will not have a score line on the left hand side, therefore, start from the edge of the paper) to the right and make a mark with a pen. Then measure .50" from each side (top to bottom) and make a mark with a pen.

Draw a line connecting the dots from top to bottom as shown in the image.

Red lines = line for cutting pattern

Using a small hole-punch at least 1/8 of an inch, punch a hole at each end of the line drawn. If you do not have a hole punch, pierce a hole using your preferred method.

Using a craft knife create a slit as shown in the image.



Attached the Slit Pocket Mat

Remove the tape backing from the flap and stick it down to the right-hand side, flush to the edge of the page.



Apply wet glue as shown in the image.



Fold the piece of patterned paper over to the left and secure it onto the pocket as shown in the image.

This is how your page should look.



Next, turn your page onto the other side and let's create the slit pocket mat for this side of the page.



Choose a piece of patterned paper and cut it down to 7.5" x 6 7/8"

Score on the 7.5" side at .50" on each side.

Pay attention to the direction of your paper

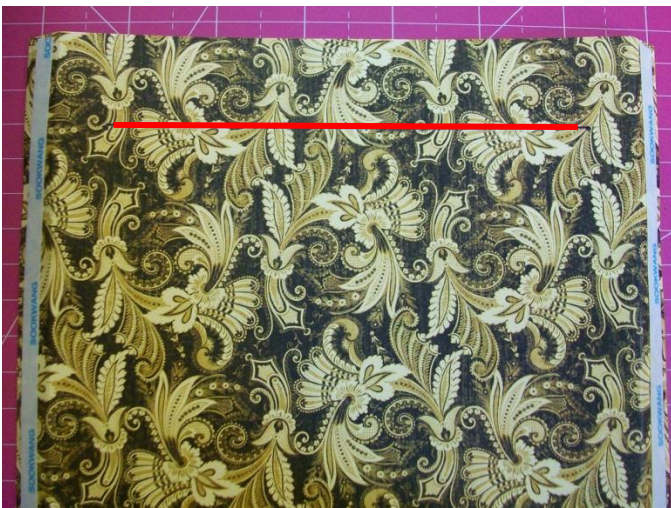


Apply double-sided adhesive to the flaps in the extended position as shown in the image.



To create the slit, measure 1 inch from the top; down and .50" from each side beginning at the score line.

Draw a line connecting the dots from side to side as shown in the image.



Using a small hole-punch at least 1/8 of an inch punch a hole at each end of the line drawn. If you do not have a hole punch, pierce a hole using your preferred method.

Using a craft knife create a slit as shown in the image.



This measurement is the same for all six pages. All you have to do is choose where you want to create your slit. You can reference page 30 to see where I chose to create my slits.

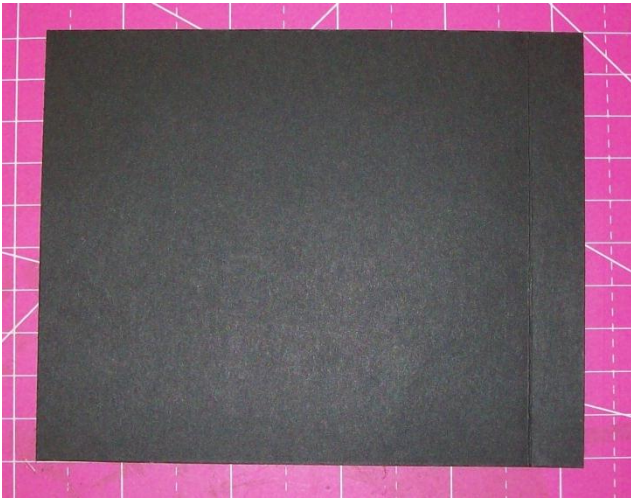


Attaching the slit pocket Mat

Remove the tape backing from the right-hand side of the pocket mat and stick it down as shown in the image

Next, you will apply wet glue such as a Scotch quick dry adhesive, to the areas shown in the image above.

Remove the tape backing from the other side and secure it down on the left-hand side as shown in the image.



Page Add on – B Small - Card stock, 3 Black 8.5"x 11"

- **Cut 3 pieces at 4" x 5"**
Score on the 5" side at 4.50"

Score on the 5" side at 4.50"



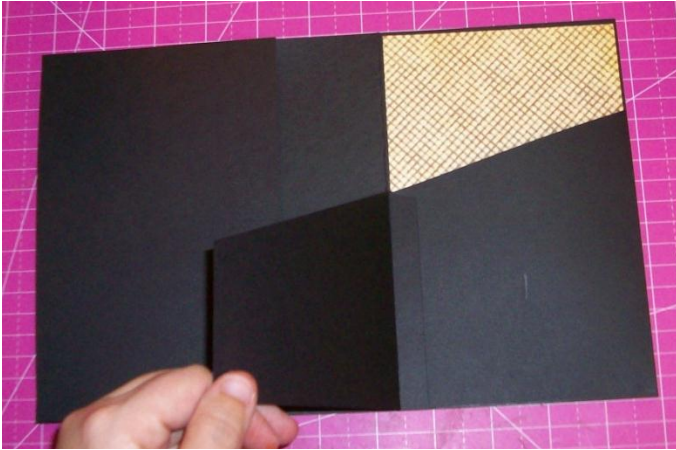
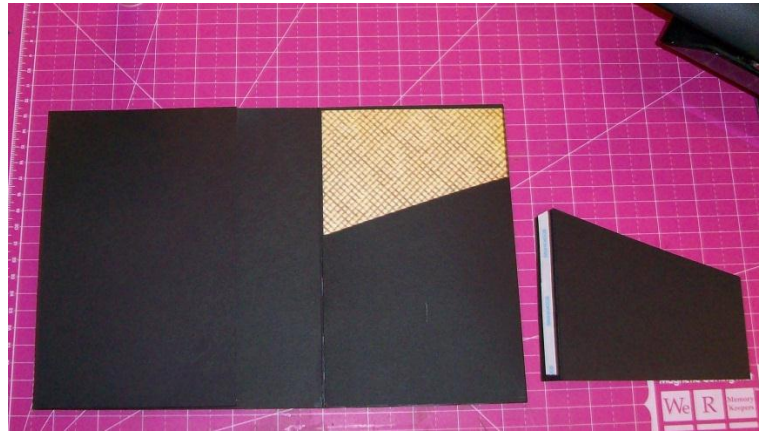
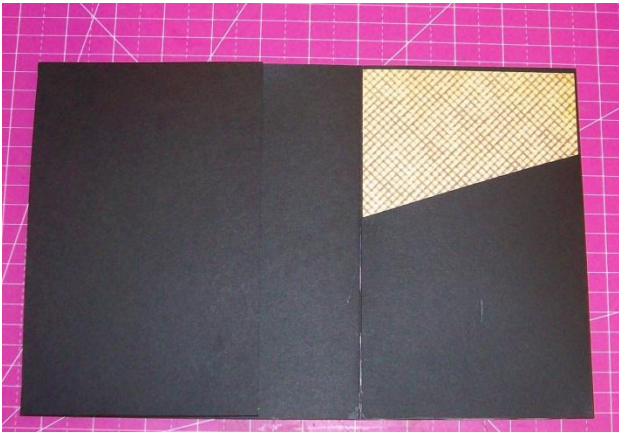
Apply double-sided adhesive to the flap in the folded position.

For the following step you can use your paper trimmer or a ruler and craft knife. In my case I use the paper trimmer. If you're using a paper trimmer, fold the flap, place the piece of card stock in your paper trimmer with the flap folded, place the card stock on the diagonal and remove 1.50". The peak side is the side with the flap.

You will need to create six pieces in total.

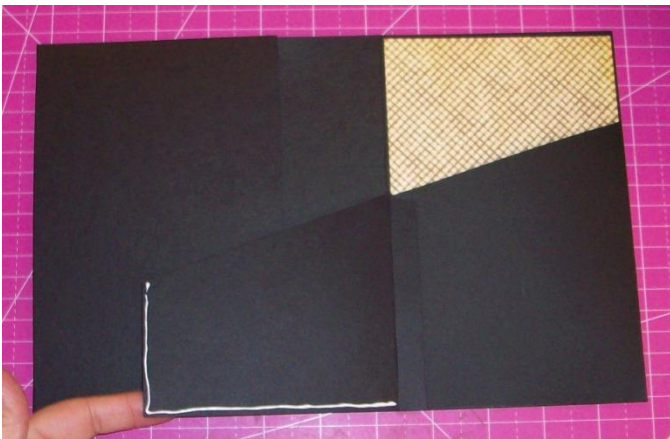


If you do not have a paper trimmer such as mine, you can measure 1.50" inches from the top down, make a mark and cut on the diagonal to the opposite corner as shown in the image.

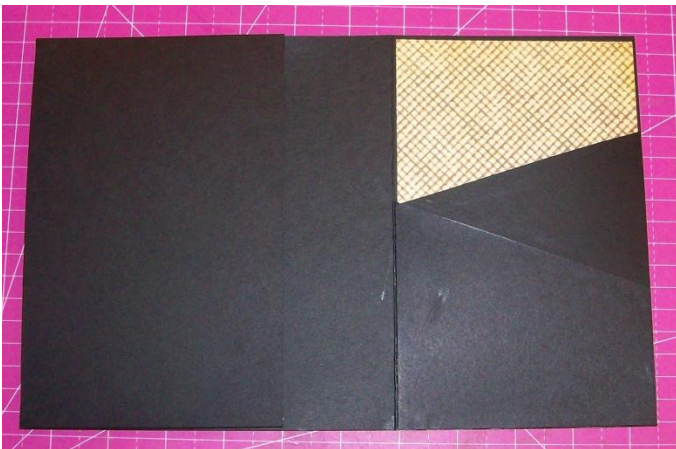


To attach the pocket, removed the tape backing and attach it to the left-hand side as shown in the image.

Apply glue to the inside of the diagonal pocket as shown in the image.



Secure the pocket on the left-hand side as shown in the image.



I attach this pocket to only three pages. Reference page 30 and 31 for my matting pattern. You can attach this pocket to every single page if you choose for additional photo opportunities.



Hidden Hinges, 1 sheet of 8.5"x 11"

- **Cut 1 piece at 6 7/8" x 11"**
Score on the 11" side at 1 7/8" at each end
Then score at .50", .50", .25" spacing starting at the 1 7/8" score line, continue on this same sequence of .50", .50", .25" until you reach the score mark at the other end.

Next, flip the page onto the other side.

Apply double-sided adhesive to this space in between the first set of score lines. Then skip the following .50" and skip the following .25" score line and apply the double side adhesive to the following .50" score line. Follow this sequence until you reach the end..

You should have six strips of double-sided adhesive is shown in the image.

Next, you will remove the tape backing one strip at a time, and you will adhere the two half-inch score lines together.

(Ignore the cream cardstock shown, I decided to go with the black.



This is how your hidden hinge binding system should look once you've adhered the half inch score lines together.
Next, apply double-sided tape to both sides of the hinges as shown in the image.





Next, we will attach the pages to the hidden hinge binding system.



Insert the hinge in to the opening of the page. Or Insert the opening of the page on to the hinge.

Once you've inserted the hinge into the opening of the page press down firmly sealing the page onto the hinge.



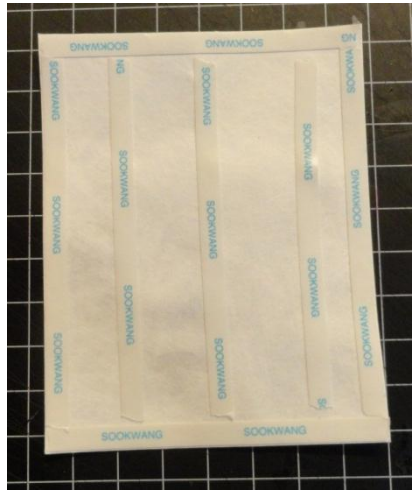
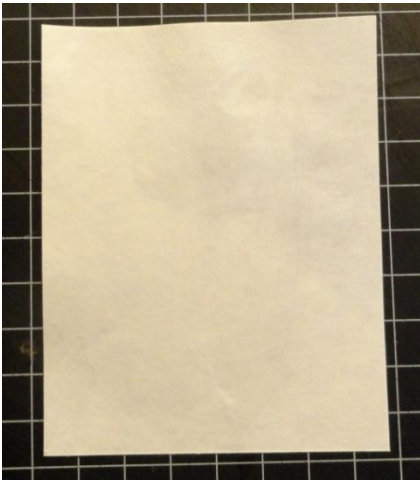
In this image I have flipped the first page over, and now you can see the remaining hinges.

Now that you understand the process, continue on attaching pages by, removing the tape backing from the hinges and inserting the hinge into the opening of the page. Once you've inserted the hinge into the opening of the page press down firmly sealing the page onto the hinge.



Be sure to insert the hinge all the way into the page, so that hinge will NOT be visible. .

This is how your project should look once you've inserted the hinge into the page. Repeat the same process until all six bags are attached to the hidden hinge binding system.



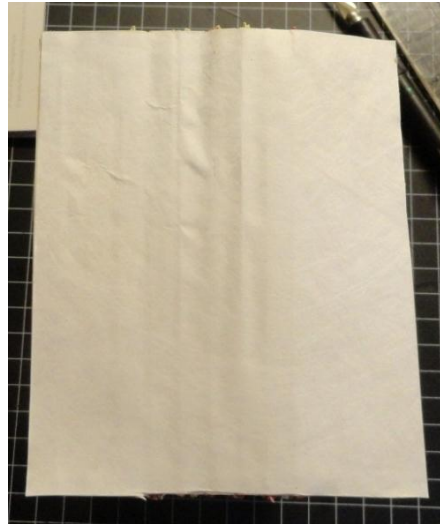
Reinforcing the spine of the page assembly with Tyvek (optional)

Cut a piece of Tyvek at 7" x 7"

Apply double-sided adhesive as shown in the image.

Be sure to apply the adhesive around the perimeter of the Tyvek.

Next, apply double-sided adhesive to the spine of your album is shown in the image.



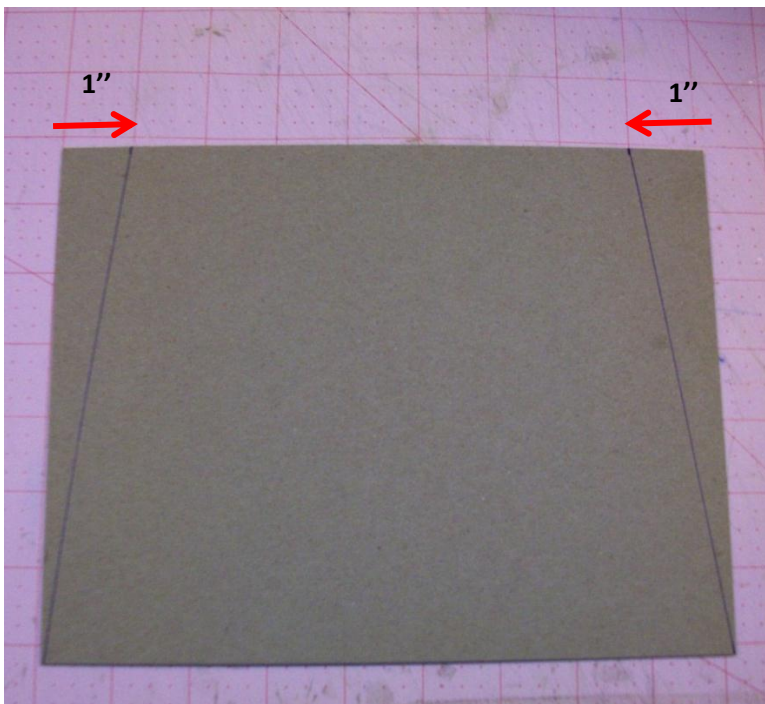
Remove the tape backing from both the Tyvek and the spine of the page assembly. Stick the Tyvek directly on top of the spine. Remove, by cutting any excess Tyvek from the sides.

Reinforcing the spine with Tyvek is optional. This is just additional security to ensure that your project last for a long time. Flipping back and forth through the pages will create stress on the spine and eventually the pages or the spine can tear. Applying the Tyvek will reinforce and ensure the spine remains intact for years to come.



Once you attach the Tyvek apply a second round of double sided adhesive to the spine of the page assembly as shown in the image.

Set the page assembly aside as we will work on the album cover next.



**Album Cover -3 Sheets of 12"x 12" Chipboard
Medium Weight**

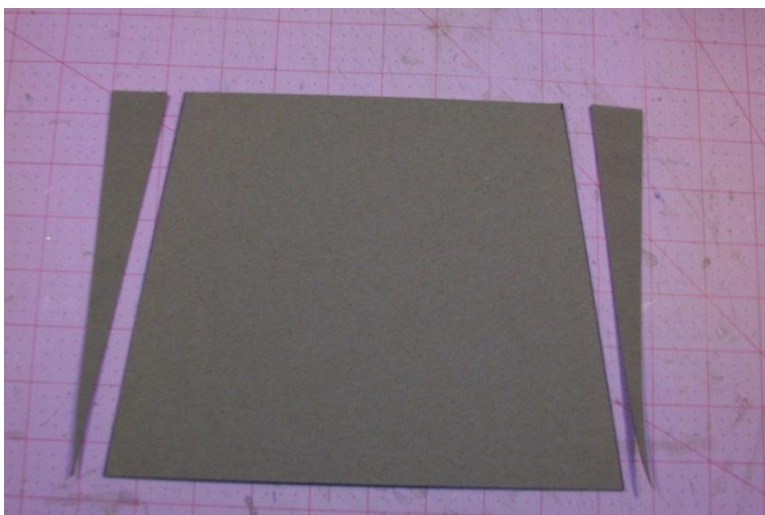
Cut 2 pieces at 9"x 7"

Cut 1 piece at 7"x 3"

Prepping the front and back cover

Using a ruler, measure 1 inch from each and and make a marked with a pen.

Using a ruler, draw a line from the 1 inch mark down to the opposite corner. See image.



Using a craft knife or your favorite paper trimmer remove the section as shown in the image.

Repeat this process one more time for two identical pieces. You will use one for the front cover and one for the back cover.





- Tyvek- Cut at 7"x 7"
- If you do not have Tyvek you can use cardstock instead

Apply tape to the chipboard and stick it down centered from side to side of the tyvek piece.

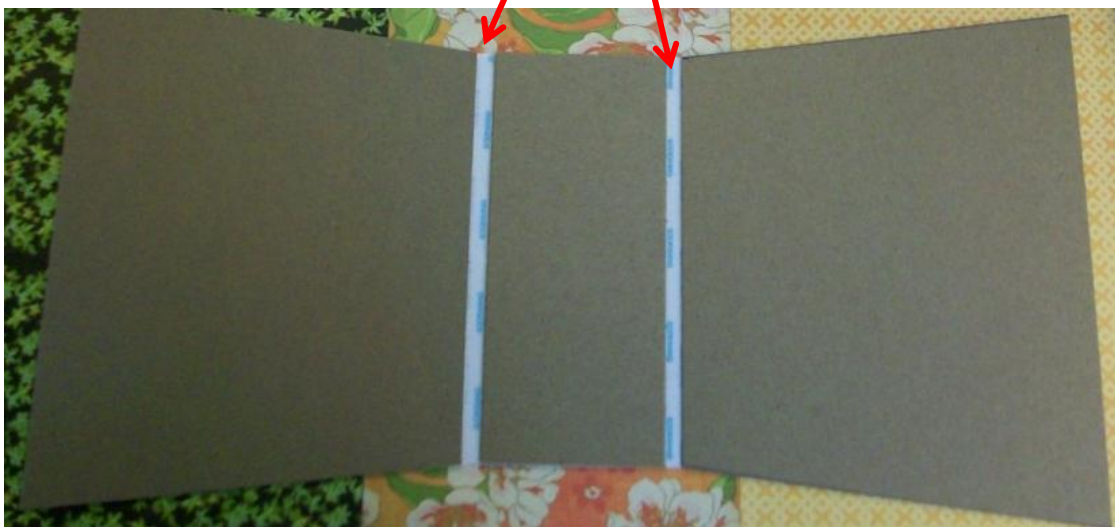
Next apply adhesive to Tyvek as shown in the image. Be sure to get the adhesive close to the chipboard as shown in the image.



Remove the tape backing from the Tyvek and stick the front and back covered on to the Tyvek leaving a .25" space in between the chipboard pieces.

Please ignore the patterned paper in the background of the image below. I didn't take a picture of this step and used this image in its place.

This is how your piece should look in the image below. Note the .25" spacing in between the chipboard pieces.

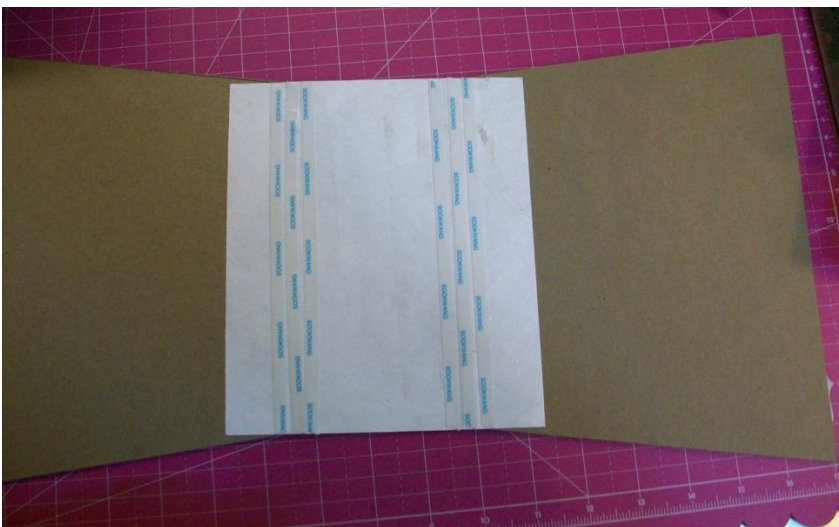




Next, we will cover the piece with patterned paper. Choose three pieces of patterned paper that you would like to use for the front cover, the spine area and the back cover.

Cut 2 pieces at 10.50" x 7" This is for the Front and Back cover

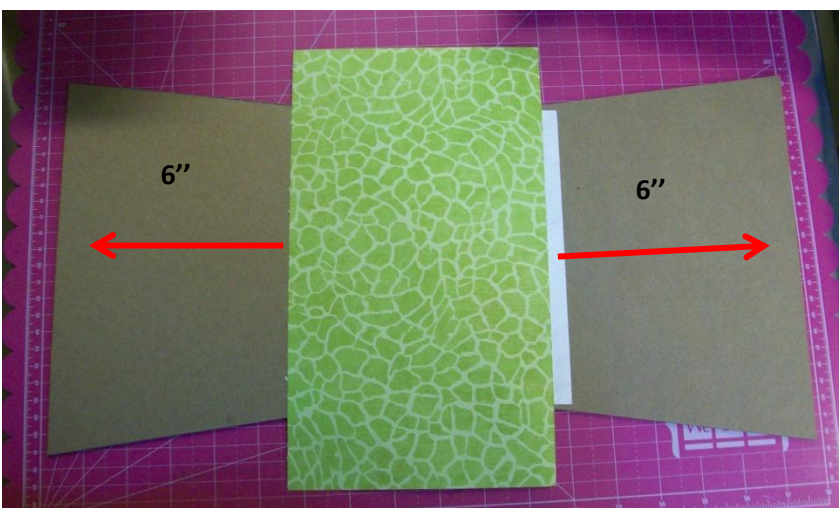
Cut 1 piece at 10.50" x 6" This is for the spine.



Place the cover on your work surface with the Tyvek side facing you.

Apply double-sided adhesive as shown in the image.

Make sure you apply the adhesive to each side of the fold and in the center.



Apply double-sided adhesive around the perimeter of the pattern paper.

Removed the tape backing from the patterned paper and place it down on the spine area of the cover make sure that you position it so that you have approximately 6 inches on either side.

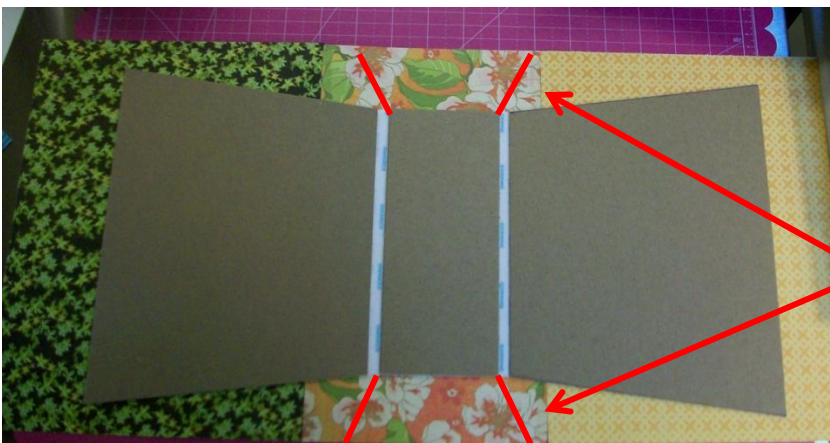


Apply double-sided adhesive as shown in the image to the front and back cover.



Removed the tape backing and secured the pattern paper for the front and back cover as shown in the image.

The pattern paper is flush to the pattern paper on the spine area, it does not overlap. Be sure to get it nice and close but do not overlap the patterned paper.



Turn the cover onto the other side so that the chip or side is facing you.

Using a craft knife, make the following cuts as shown in in the image. You will start the cut from the corners of the spine piece. You will taper out the cut. I don't have an exact measurement but be sure to taper your cuts



Apply double-sided adhesive to the area as shown in the image.



Here is a close-up of the adhesive placement pattern.



Remove the tape backing and fold the pieces onto the chipboard as shown in the image.

You can't really see it in this image, but apply double-sided adhesive to the remaining pattern paper used for the spine.



Remove the tape backing and fold the pattern paper onto the chipboard as shown in the image.

Fold all four corners in onto the chipboard as shown in the image.



Apply double-sided adhesive around the perimeter of the patterned paper located around the front and back cover.

Remove the tape backing from around all sides.

Next, fold the bottom area onto the chipboard nice and tight as shown in the image.



Next, wrap the top area onto the chipboard as shown in the image.



This is how your album cover should look once completely wrapped.



Next, we will attach the page assembly to the spine area of the album cover.

Remove all of the tape backing from the spine area of the page assembly.

Stick the page assembly perfectly centered from top to bottom and side to side of the spine.



The side flaps will extend past the folds of the front and back cover; this is okay.



This is how your piece should look once you stick your page assembly onto the spine. Make sure you press down firmly, you burnish in between all pages for a secured stick.



To create the scenery on the front cover,

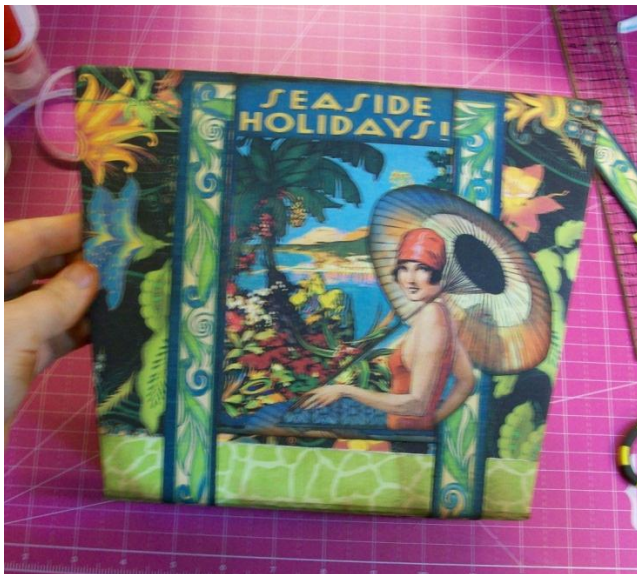
You will detail cut or cut out the lady with the umbrella.

You will cut this image from the patterned paper.



And you will cut this border from the patterned paper. Cut out the 4 strips from all 4 sides.

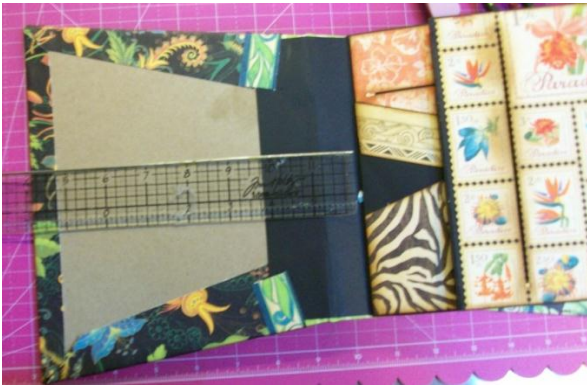
As you can see in the image I layered the seaside holiday piece first. Then I glued the border strips starting at the very top by the seaside holiday title and wrap them all the way around to the back.



Then finally glued the beautiful lady on the front cover as shown in the image.

Finally, on the backside I glued down another border horizontally covering up the seam. See image below.





Next, we will line the inside of the front and back covers.



For this process I don't have an exact measurement. I would like you to measure the inside of your front cover and the inside of your back cover and cut your paper accordingly.



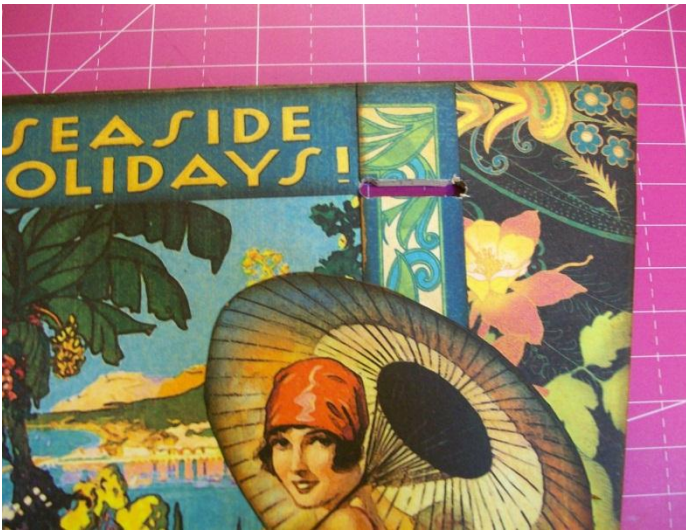
Repeat the same process you did for creating the actual chipboard covers of the album. You will measure 1 inch from each corner toward the center and cut from that one-inch mark to the opposite corner.



Once completed turn the piece onto the wrong side and apply double-sided adhesive as shown in the image.

Remove the tape backing and secure the patterned paper onto the inside of the front cover.

Repeat the same process for the inside of back cover.



To attach the belting, punch two holes on either side of the border as shown in the image

Create two cuts from hole to hole creating a slit.

You want to take your time with this process as you are cutting into chipboard and it is pretty thick.

I used approximately 14 inches of belting to secure my strap onto my album covers.

I also inked my belting using orange marmalade distressing ink by Ranger.

Insert the belting into the cover as shown in the image.

Secure the belting on the other side with a really good adhesive. Hot glue or this wonderful adhesive called quick grip by Beacon is what I used.



Images of my pages matted with patterned paper. I also show where I use the small diagonal pocket. You can also find the location where I positioned the slits on the pages.

