Envelope Mini Album with Patterned Paper Pages

A PROJECT FROM OUR LIVE SHOW - STUDIO 3 - 26 MARCH 2022

ABOUT THIS PROJECT

Transform spare envelopes from your stash into a beautiful mini memory album with pockets and decorative pages. This quick project uses patterned papers to create a finished album that looks professionally made, perfect for storing photos, tickets or memorabilia.

From the show: Studio 3
Shown: 26 March 2022
The project starts: 14:00 into the show
In this guide: 10 steps

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STEP 1 OF 10

Gather a pile of envelopes in various sizes—five by seven, eight by eight, six by six, or B6 all work well.

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STEP 2 OF 10

Take two envelopes and apply tape or glue to the tab of one envelope, then push it inside the other envelope to create your first page.

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STEP 3 OF 10

Push the flap down firmly to secure the envelope inside, creating a snug fit.

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STEP 4 OF 10

Continue adding more envelopes in the same way to build up multiple pages, stacking them to create depth and pockets.

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STEP 5 OF 10

Cut patterned papers from your six by six pad to size and glue them onto the envelope pages to hide the envelope structure.

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STEP 6 OF 10

Create a decorative pocket by placing cardstock inside an envelope, drawing a light pen line around it, then cutting just inside that line to create a shaped pocket opening.

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STEP 7 OF 10

Score a white cardstock base with two score lines to create a gusset, then glue your envelope pages inside to create a complete album cover.

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STEP 8 OF 10

Create a belly band wrap using an off-cut of white cardstock or patterned paper, gluing it around the album to hold it closed.

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STEP 9 OF 10

Decorate the front cover with patterned paper from your A4 pad, adding embellishments like flowers, buttons or frames to personalise your album.

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STEP 10 OF 10

Add final decorative touches to pockets and pages using die-cut embellishments, ensuring all components are in place before closing the album.

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TIPS FROM THE SHOW

- Use both tape and glue when assembling albums to ensure they last—tape alone will eventually dry out and the album will fall apart.
- Decorate pages before filling them with photos or memorabilia, as overstuffing will prevent the belly band from sliding on and off.
- If you're not confident cutting pocket shapes freehand, skip that step and simply cover the envelope with patterned paper instead.

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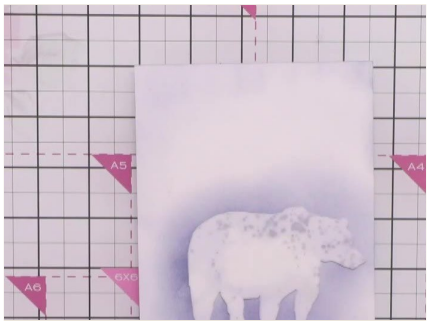

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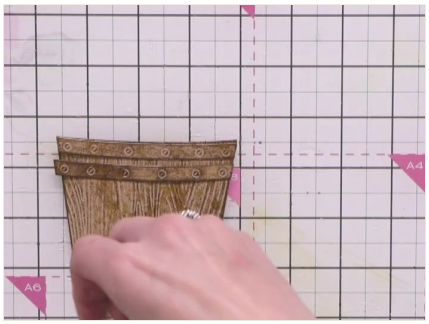

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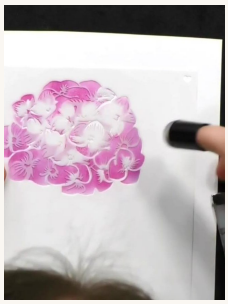

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