

A Trip Down Memory Lane

Fancy page 12 x 6 Yearbook – by Clare Brown



You Will Need:

6 sheets of die cut papers from the noteworthy range, any will do as long as they are all different shapes (or you could use 2 each of 3 shapes if you prefer)

12x12 piece of chipboard

Use of bind it all and 2 x 3" sections of wires, I've used blue wire but the colour is optional. You could also use 4 bookrings and a cropadile.

1 sheet of 7gypsies 'Year' 97% complete journal stickers

Black paint (Jo Sonjas acrylics) or pattern paper of your choice for covers.

1 sheet each of Black, white and kraft coloured cardstock for tags, and layering inside.

Months stamps (Heidi Swap) or alternative.

Alphabet stickers such as thickers or alternative, or die cut/cricut/craftrobo lettering.

Small alphabet stamps or rub ons.

Black pen for journaling or use of a computer and printer.

This is a really simple idea for using the 12x12 die cut sheets of making memories Noteworthy papers. I really loved the look of the little spiral bound making memories journaling pads and wished they made a bigger one that I could use as a album, and after unpacking the Noteworthy at the March 2008 retreat – I realised I could easily make one for myself!

1. Being careful to line up the pattern on the papers (i.e. make sure the lined papers are the right way up and the lines are straight across the page and meet at the edges), fold each one in half to form a double sided 12"x6" page. The folded edge will be the spine edge. If you wish to make pockets in the pages to pop in extra photos or tags with journaling, mark these out on the white side of the paper, apply adhesive to the other areas and leave those bits 'open' and stick the page firmly together. If you are not quite sure yet where you will need tags etc, leave the sticking together till later! Repeat 6 times till you have 6 pages.



2. Cut your piece of chipboard in half making 2 pieces at 12x6". These will be your covers. I have painted the outside of my covers black and lined the inside with a pattern paper that co-ordinates with the inner papers, but you can paint it black or another colour if you prefer.
3. Before you begin to decorate your pages, put them through the bind it all to punch the holes, or use a cropadile to make holes for your bookrings. Do 3 pages at a time, and make sure they are all lined up carefully so that the tips of the shaped pages are all together. Set the black guide switch on the bind it all to closed, and push your pages right up against the switch. Punch once, and turn around and repeat on the other end. This will make a set of holes at the top and at the bottom for the wires. Repeat the process for the other 3 pages and both covers. If using bookrings, measure where you would like your rings, put 2 at the top and 2 at the bottom and punch holes with a cropadile or similar tool. Repeat for all pages and both covers.



4. You could now bind your book if you wished, or you could decorate your pages first and bind later. When filling your yearbook, try to stick to 2 or 3 events on a page, the pages are not all the same size, and so arrange the pages with the larger areas to fall as the month you have a lot of photos for! You can add in larger photos up to 6x4 landscape or 7x5 portrait , journaling cards, tags, ticket stubs, postcards and memorabilia by binding them into the wire, punch them in the bind it all and slot them onto the wire when binding the book.



5. Cut a piece of white cardstock the same height as the large 'Y is for year' sticker from the sheet, and stick these on the front cover of your book. Add other smaller stickers underneath to decorate, and use letter stickers to make the date or the title of your book.



You don't have to make a 'yearbook' of course, you could just make the book and fill it with photos from one event, it is entirely up to you. There are many different 7gypsies sticker sheets that cover all different occasions that would work with this journal. Visit the 7gypsies section of A Trip Down Memory lane to see what other themes you could use for your book.

