

Fabulous Folding Photo Holder

Supplies:

**Album:* 2 – 8 ½” squares card stock, 1 – 8 ½” contrasting card stock, 14 to 18 photographs cut in 4” squares (some will be cut on the diagonal).

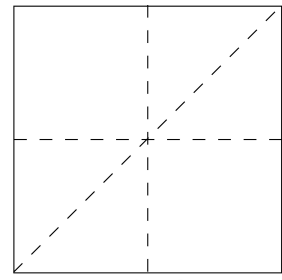
**Cover:* 2 – 6” squares patterned paper, 2 – 4 ½” squares chipboard (cereal boxes work great), embellishments for cover, 27” ribbon.

**Other supplies:* Scissors, paper trimmer, bone folder (or other scoring tool), red line tape, regular adhesive, glue dots

Instructions:

For the Album,

1. Take the first of the three 8 ½” squares and fold in half carefully (into a rectangle), matching corners. Crease one way, unfold and crease the opposite way for mobility.
2. Open that same sheet of cardstock and fold into a rectangle the opposite side, unfold and crease opposite way for mobility. You will have a folded piece of cardstock showing 4 quarter squares.
3. Unfold, then score on ONE diagonal ONLY. Crease one way, unfold and crease opposite way for mobility.
4. Repeat above on the other two 8 ½” squares.
5. Fold each piece of creased cardstock such that the “mountain” diagonal creases meet in the middle and the triangles are hidden in the center. You will now have a “little book” folded into the quarter size of your original square.
6. Arrange the three folded cardstock “little book” pieces as diamonds, alternating with the blue points up and the white points down in the center.
7. After checking that it is properly assembled, adhere the three pieces together with Mono-adhesive (don’t be skimping, you want this to hold together permanently).
8. Stamp journaling lines and designs on the inside as you like!



For the Cover,

1. Lay one piece of patterned paper face down and center one of the cardboard pieces on it. You may want to have the designed side of the cardboard facing up if it shows through the background paper.
2. Lift the cover with the paper and clip the diagonal corner off the patterned paper, just outside the corner edge of the cardboard. After cutting away the excess triangles of patterned paper from the first two corners, crease and fold, wrapping the patterned paper around the cardboard, check for a good fit, and adhere—going the length of the paper edge for a tight seal.
3. Repeat steps two and three for the opposite side. Set cover aside and complete other cover.
4. Holding the interior pieces into a square, with the top left side being your opening points, lay ribbon across (left to right) and tape down with regular tape. Mono-adhesive each edge of this side (which is the bottom).
5. Place back cover of album with the interior facing up and center and adhere the bottom edge of album (with ribbon) to the back cover.
6. The album should now have the open points on the top right of the album. Run mono-adhesive on each of the edges. Place the top cover over the entire book so that the top cover matches and is centered over the entire album.
7. Add stamped embellishment to the cover and tie ribbon. You can seal the edge of the ribbon with a lighter to keep the edges from fraying. Be sure you have trimmed it down to the length you want, leaving plenty of room for retying.



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*You can make this with 12x12 card stock as well. For that you will need 2 pieces of 6 ½” chipboard, 2 8 ½” “squares of background paper, and 3 12x12 sheets of card stock. Decorate cover as desired.