

Easy Craft Projects

Storage Projects

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Paper Organiser

by Lisa Swift



Materials & Tools:

Mount Board
Patterned Paper
Sheet Music
Old Record
Scrabble Letters
Other Vintage Items
7mm Ribbon
Bind-it-all Machine
Bind-it-all Wires
Basic Crafting Tools

Create this vintage style paper organiser for your desk. Use 12" x 12" scrapbook inserts to hold your papers, organise them by colour, pattern or however you like.

Add your own style - vintage, shabby chic or bright and funky.

Instructions:

1. Cut pieces of mount board to the following sizes: 12½" x 8" (x2), 12½" x 3½", 3½" x 12½" (x2). This should give you the 4 side and bottom.

2. We will now decorate the front side of your organiser (a 12½" x 12½" piece). Stick a piece of sheet music to the front side.





3. Cut a record to the top right and add patterned paper across the width of front side.

4. Using a selection of vintage items, decorate what will be the front of your organiser. I used a bingo card, luggage tag, rose cigarette card & buttons. Also add your scrabble letters or other form of alphabet.

You will want to add bulkier items like buttons afterwards you have put the organiser together so that you can punch it.

5. Using a Bind-it-all machine, punch holes down all the sides with adjoining pieces. Follow the instructions with your Bind-it-all machine.

You can also punch the sides of your organiser using a Crop-a-dile or some other form of heavy duty hole punch.

6. Using your ribbon, thread it through from the back at the bottom of one side. Criss-cross it up the sides through the holes. Tie a bow at the top and cut off any excess. Repeat this for all 4 upright sides.

7. To attach the bottom, start in the middle of one side, thread over the adjoining holes all the way around the bottom and tie the two end together inside the organiser.

To create the inserts for your organiser, cut the sides where the post holes are from 12" x 12" scrapbook wallet inserts. Use as many as you need to organise your papers.

Why not create one organiser for your full 12" x 12" sheets and another for your scraps.

DT Top Tip

You can use the same technique on a smaller scale. This would be ideal for smaller paper, scraps or even to create notelet holders to give as gifts!





Storage Tins

by Deanne Evans



Materials & Tools:

Tins from Ikea
(or any spare tins lying around)
Fablon (sticky back plastic)
Ribbon
Tag embellishment
Alpha stickers (from stash)
Pva glue
Foam pads

DT Top Tip

These tins would make a great gift for a friend full of sweets, soap, candles or other goodies.

A really simple and quick crafty idea for a new storage set.

Instructions:

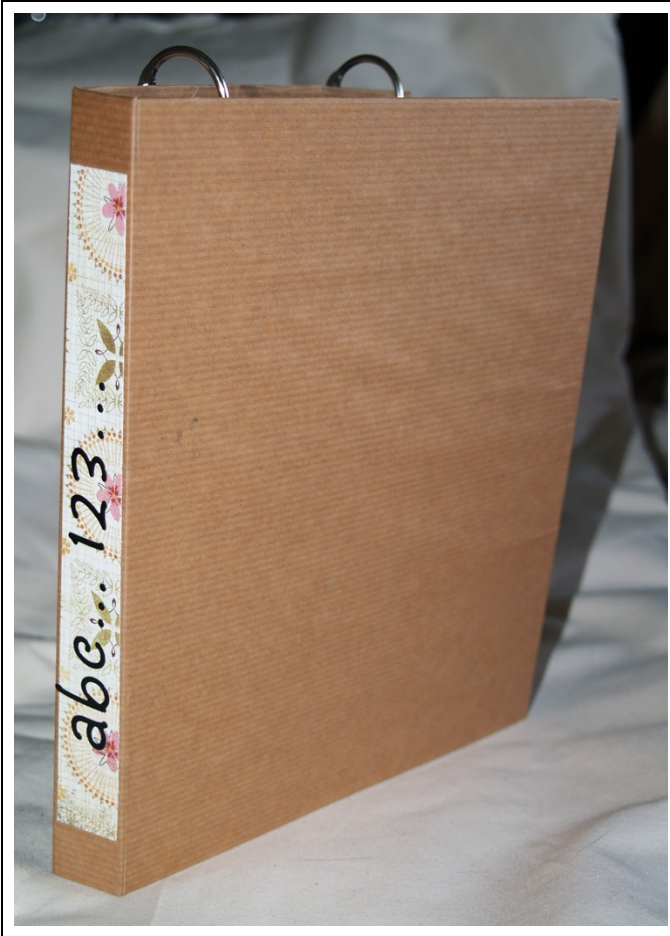
I purchased three tins from Ikea and used two of them for this projects. I used some fablon (sticky back plastic) found in 'Wilkinsons' shop, cut this to size and wrapped it round both my tins. I then cut pieces for the lid of the tins too. It is easy to use as there is no glue involved and the fablon has a velvet touch to it which is a real bonus.

I tied coordinating ribbon around both of my tins. For the larger tins I chose a large tag embellishment and used foam pads to layer this over the ribbon. Using alphabet stickers I then chose my wording and stuck to the tag.



Stamp Folders

by Lisa Swift



The folders are ideal for organising your clear stamps. Each pocket has the design printed on the front so you can find the stamp you need quickly.

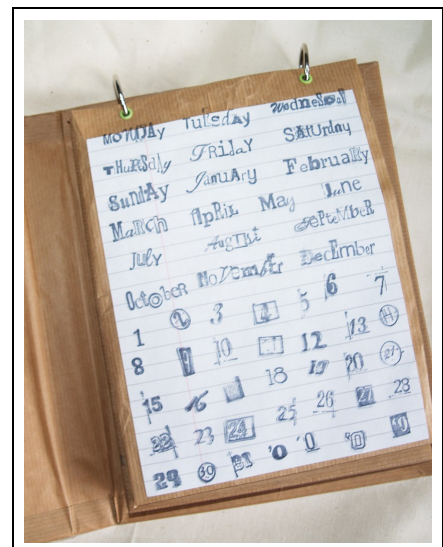
Create a set to it neatly on your shelf.

Materials & Tools:

- Mount Board
- Masking Tape
- Brown Parcel Paper
- Eyelets
- Punch and Eyelet Setter
- Book Rings
- Notepaper
- Patterned Paper
- Alphabet Stickers
- Black Inkpad
- Basic Craft Tools

Instructions:

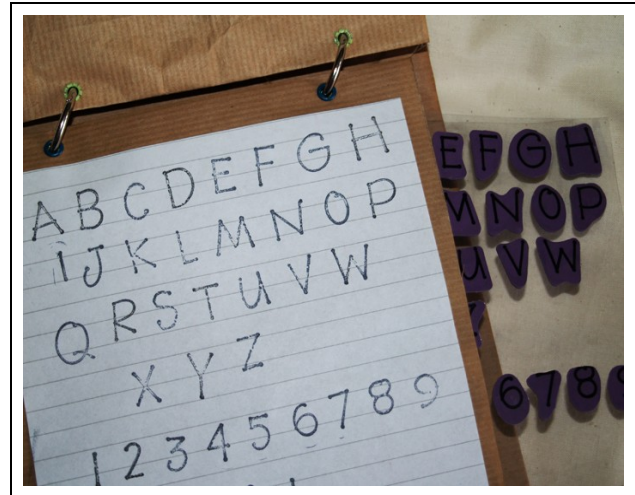
1. Cut three pieces of mount board - two should be 18cm x 22cm, the third 2.5cm x 22cm.
2. Lay the three pieces out with the smaller strip between the other two. Using masking tape, tape of the joins to create a folder.
3. Using brown parcel paper, cover the inside and outside of the folder.



4. To create the inserts for the folder, use the template on page 8 and cut the shape out of more parcel paper. Fold along the dotted lines and glue together where stated.

5. Create as many inserts as you want for your folder. 7 is probably the maximum number per folder once they are filled with stamps.

6. On the front of each insert stick a piece of notepaper. Stamp your clear stamps onto the notepaper and stick your stamps to a piece of acetate cut to fit the insert.



7. Punch two holes in the top of each insert and the back cover of your folder. Make sure they align so that you can fasten them together with your book rings.

8. Cut a strip of patterned paper to fit the side of the folder. Use alphabet stickers to add a label to your folder. This will help you identify which folder you need for your stamps.

Some ideas to group your stamps:

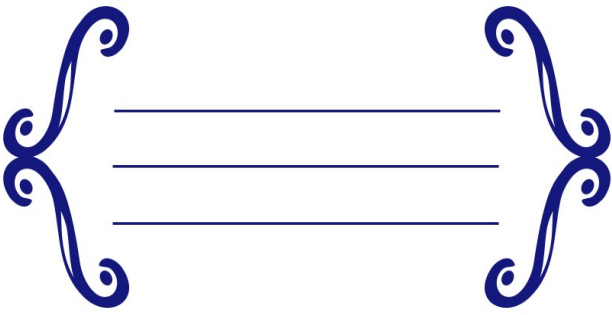
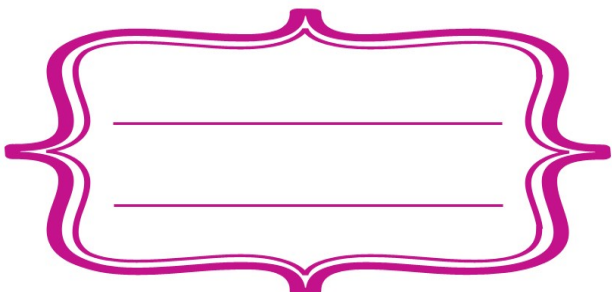
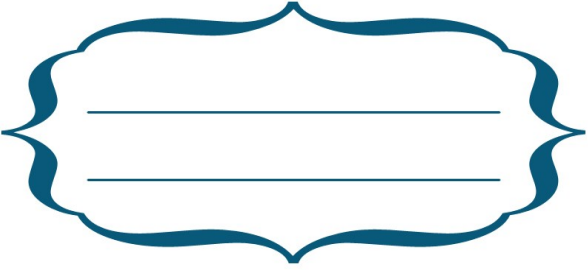
alphabet & numbers, background & borders, greetings & words, floral, animals, journalling, occasion stamps.



Labels

by Lisa Swift

Use these labels for jars, tins, boxes or anything else you have that may need a title. Print them out and stick them on - simple as that.



Template for Stamp Folder Insert:

