

Simple Scrapbook

As graduation time draws near, use your sewing machine to create a memorable scrapbook. It's a great way to showcase the pictures of special moments in your life.

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Supplies:

Baby Lock Lauren serger (optional)
Baby Lock Sophia machine
2 Yards of canvas fabric
2 yards of vinyl (any weight)
All-purpose thread in many different colors
2 Grommets for each scrapbook page
Cutting mat
Rotary cutter
2 metal book rings



Optional:

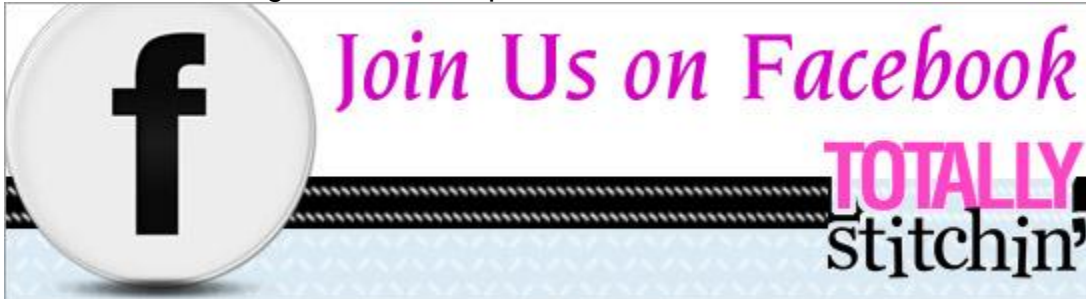
Acrylic paint, glitter, paint markers or sharpie markers, gems, scrapbook flowers, selection of pictures, ticket stubs, brochures etc.

Instructions for Cover:

1. Cut two pieces of canvas into 14" x 16" rectangles using a rotary cutter and cutting mat. Cut 2 additional pieces 5" x 14" (for binding of cover).
2. Serge or sew together one of the 14" x 16" pieces to one of the 5" x 14" pieces lining up the edges of the 14" side. Do the same with the other 5" x 14" piece. Connect another 14" x 16" piece to the other side of the additional piece. You should have two large strips that contain 14" x 16" pieces on the outsides of the 5" x 14" piece.
3. On the inside piece measure 3" down from the center top and make markings for the two grommets. Do the same at the center bottom.
4. Following the manufacturer's instructions, attach the grommets where marked. Slide the book ring into both.
5. Serge or sew at 1/4" the edges of both pieces together, putting wrong sides together.

Instructions for pages:

1. Cut pieces of canvas and vinyl 14" x 16". (You will need 2 pieces of vinyl for each vinyl page **or** one piece of vinyl and one piece of canvas.)
2. For each page you will place the pictures inside. You can put ticket stubs, fake flowers, or even brochures. But the vinyl will stick to one another allowing you to sew them without pinning together. The canvas and vinyl will need to be pinned in order to sew.
3. Using decorative stitches on the machine sew around the pictures and around the edge of the entire piece.



4. To finish my pages I added some paint, and then put glitter on the paint while it was still wet. I used a sharpie marker for descriptions.
5. On the left edge of the finished page, measure 3" from the top and mark for the grommet. Measure 3" from the bottom and mark for the second grommet. Make sure to align the holes in the pages with the rings of the cover.
6. Cut small holes where you have marked and push the small side of the grommet through, then place the back side on, and hammer into place.
7. Use your own creativity to add ribbons, puffy paint, and your own personal style to the scrapbook.



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