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SOUTHWEST SHAPE ALBUM & GIFT SET-CONTEST ENTRY

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About me: Stay tuned I am working on a few projects to be added soon.....
Project skill level: advanced
Project time: 2 hours to 3 hours
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This colorful Southwest themed shape album is a wonderful way to share special photographs. The album and its matching dream catcher wall hanging, created using the Cricut Southwest cartridge and Cricut Craft Room, are sure to be welcome additions to any room. And then to top it off... what would a gift set be without a card? Created using Cricut Craft Room along with the Southwest and Suburbia cartridges this matching card can also double as a useful notepad holder. Thanks for looking. Dragonfly50- **Note: *Instructions for the album are in steps 1-4 *Instructions for the dream catcher are in step 5 *Instructions for the card are in step 6

CRICUT®: WHAT WAS USED

Cricut Expression® Machine with Plantin SchoolBook and Accent Essentials®

Cricut® Suburbia Cartridge

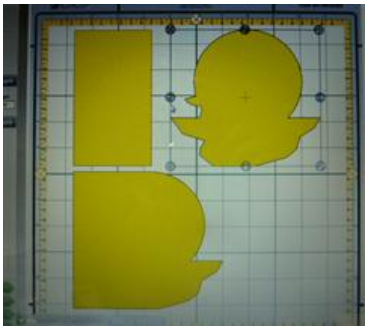
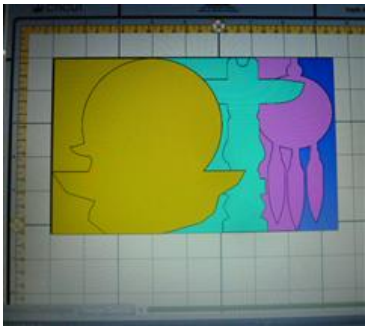
Cricut® Everyday Cartridge, Southwest

OTHER MATERIALS NEEDED

- Recollections Night and Fall pad
- Feathers
- Binder rings
- Card stock in Southwest colors
- Jute or hemp
- Adhesive
- Single hole punch
- Watercolor pad 140lb

STEP 1

*Using the CCR Basics cartridge place a rectangle on your first mat and re-size it to 3 x 5.25 in.
*Place the wolf shadow cut on the mat at 5.25 in. (button 48 with shift on).
*Weld the cuts together.
^Place another rectangle on a second mat and re-size it to 5.958 x 5.25 in.
^Place the totem pole shadow cut on the mat at 5.25 in. (button 38 with shift on) Use the height box at the top to change the height to 5.25 in. (the original height will be too tall)
^Weld the cuts together.
*Place another rectangle on a third mat and re-size it to 7.222 x 5.25 in.
*Place the dream catcher shadow cut on the mat at 5.25 in. (button 18 with shift on). Use the height box at the top to change the height to 5.25 in. (the original height will be too tall)
*Weld the cuts together.
^Place another rectangle on a fourth mat and re-size it to 8.5 x 5.25 in. This will be your last page.
*Line up the album pages on the 1 in. mat lines and adjust the album pages to nest the way they look best for you.
*Cut out the album pages using chipboard. I used the 140 lb Artist's Loft watercolor pad I purchased at Michaels.

STEP 2

*Time to choose and cut your design paper. I used 3 different pattern papers from the Recollections Night and Fall pad I got from Michaels. I alternated the design paper.
*Wolf pages- cut designs 1 & 2 at 3-1/8 x 5 in.
*Totem pole pages- cut designs 3 & 1 at 5-15/16 x 5 in.
*Dream catcher pages- cut designs 2 & 3 at 7-1/4 x 5 in.
*Back page- cut design 1 at 8-3/8 x 5 in..
*Adhere the design papers to the album pages.

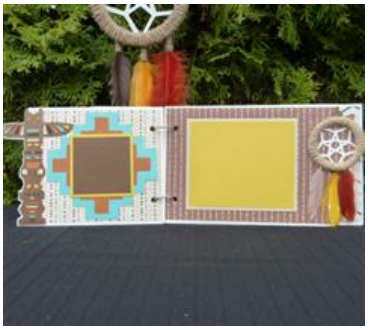
STEP 3

*Decoration cuts using the CCR Basics cartridge.
*Moon- cut 2 at 3.889 in. (cream/off white card stock)
^Decoration cuts using the Southwest cartridge.
^Wolf- cut 2 at 5.25 in. (button 48)(rust card stock)
^Wolf- cut 2 at 5.25 in (dk brown card stock)
^Cut the wolf pieces apart and adhere them on the album pages with the moon.
^Lizards- cut 2 at 1.25 in. (button 11)(yellow/gold card stock)
^Totem poles- cut 2 at 5.25 in (button 38)(dk brown card stock)
^I wanted my totem poles to be colorful so I adhered assorted small card stock pieces to their backs.
^Adhere the totem poles to the album pages.
^Dream catchers- cut 4 at 5.25 in. (button 18)(chipboard)
^Cut the extra pieces away from two of them leaving only two circles.
^Wrap the circles with jute or hemp.
^Adhere real feathers to the full dream catcher cuts. I got feathers at Michaels.
^Adhere the covered circles to the full dream catcher cuts.
^Buffalo- cut 1 at 1 in. (button 32)(dk brown card stock with a turquoise zigzag)

^Roadrunner- cut 1 at 1 in. (button24)(rust card stock).
^Cactus- cut 2 at 1 in. (button 8)(yellow or gold card stock)
^Cut black shadows to back the buffalo, roadrunner and cactus. (buttons above with shift on)
^You will adhere the buffalo, roadrunner and cactus cuts after you adhere the frames on the last page.

STEP 4

*Album frames
*Totem pole pages
-outside deco- cut 2 at 4.75 in. (button 3)(yellow/gold & turquoise)
-inside deco- cut 2 at 5.25 in. (button 3 <s>)(turquoise & rust)
-frames- cut 2 at 2.75 x 2.75 in. (cream/off white & yellow/gold)
-frames- cut 2 at 2.5 x 2.5 in. (dk brown & rust)
*Dream catcher pages
-frames- cut 2 at 4.75 x 4 in. (cream/off white & turquoise)
-frames- cut 2 at 4.5 x 3.75 in. (yellow/gold & dk brown)
*Last page
-frames- cut 2 at 3.25 x 3.25 in. (yellow/gold & dk brown)
-frames- cut 2 at 3 x 3 in. (rust & turquoise)
*Adhere the buffalo, roadrunner and cactus to the last page.
*Hole punch the ends of the album pages and add 1 in. binder rings to complete the album.



STEP 5

Dream Catcher Wall Hanging
*Dream catcher- cut 2 at 11 in. (chipboard)
*Cut the extra pieces from one of the dream catchers leaving only the circle.
*Wrap the circle with jute or hemp.
*Adhere real feathers to the full dream catcher.
*Punch a small hole at the top of the dream catcher, string and tie jute/hemp to create a loop.
*Hang the dream catcher for all to see and enjoy.

STEP 6

Celebrate Birthday Card
*Card base- cut an 8.5 x 11 in. cream/off white card stock in half so it is now two 4.25 x 11 in. pieces
*Score and fold the card base at 2.75 and 5.5 in.
*Cut a turquoise card front at 4.25 x 5.5 in.
*Adhere the card front to the 2.75 x 4.25 in. section of the card base.
*Cut design paper at 4 x 5.25 in. and adhere it to the card front.
*Using Cricut Craft Room and the House Wife shadow font from the Suburbia cartridge weld then cut the sentiment words at 1 in. (black card stock)
*Using the Southwest cartridge cut the kokoplli cut at 4.5 in. (button 1)(rust cardstock)
*Adhere the kokoplli and the sentiment to the card front.
*Cut a 4.25 x 2.5 in. strip (dk brown) and a design paper strip at 4.25 x 1.5 in.
*Adhere them to the inside bottom of the card base.
*Adhere the 3 x 3 self-stick notepad over the design strips.
*When opened the notepad will hold the card open creating a card that not only sends a message but is also a useful tool.

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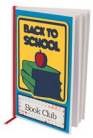

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