

pocket play

Short on time? Here you'll find creative ideas to make the most of your pocket pages. BY DIANE DZIUBAN

What I most enjoy about pocket pages is the ease with which my stories and memories are told. The layout/design is already chosen for me, so it's just a matter of picking the photos and the perfect journaling cards to make the spread come alive. If life is super busy, I know that I can make my spread simple with just words and photos, but if I have more time, I can add all the fun embellishments and ephemera. While I mostly use pocket pages to document daily life, I also reach for them when I am documenting a trip, as I have done here.



TIPS

POCKET TIP #1: Print a large photo for big impact. Even though this is a 6 x 8 spread, the photo of the tree really stands out when printed in a larger size.

POCKET TIP #2: Use white space in a photo for journaling. This helps the journaling stand out and also enables you to get more of the story told.

POCKET TIP #3: Create a visual triangle to help guide the eye. I used a dark green element in a visual triangle to help tie the pages together.

Keep telling stories, even when your children get older.

We have a special family tradition of visiting Walt Disney World during Christmastime as often as we can. This story is all about how this visit was special because our daughter is older now and the dynamics have changed. It was amazing to experience Disney with her as an adult! We have brought her to Disney many times as a child, but now she travels there on her own. The pinks and reds in the kit were just perfect for this spread.

merry & bright

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Capture Christmas traditions. On this page I wanted to highlight some of the special moments from our most recent trip to Disney last December. Since this is the start to the album, I wanted to touch on some of our traditions and what was different this time (masks because of COVID-19). The bright colours I chose really allowed my photos to shine.

disney in december

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TIPS

POCKET TIP #1: Go with a kit. Subscribing to a kit will ensure that all the cards and embellishments will match perfectly. It takes some of the guesswork out of coordinating things and will help you put a page together quickly.

POCKET TIP #2: Use journaling cards for photos. It's a great way to get more photos on a spread and stretches the ways you can use the cards.

POCKET TIP #3: Trim your journaling onto strips. This enables you to tell longer stories in a smaller space.

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