

pocket play

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

What I enjoy most about pocket pages is the process of balancing and coordinating the pockets with each other and being able to use multiple photos while keeping it clean. They are a time saver because the formatting is basically done for you by the page protector. With their small compartments, pocket pages allow you to tell as many stories as there are pockets! They give you the freedom to document a single event or an entire month.



TIPS

POCKET TIP #1: Keep it simple. Always look for the cut-apart sheets in a collection to quickly make title or filler cards.

POCKET TIP #2: Balance is key. On a big spread like this, balance the number of photos on each side as well as the main colour.

POCKET TIP #3: Create visual triangles with patterned paper, embellishments, wording, and/or techniques.

As a resident of Southern California, we don't have fall weather and brilliant trees, so my family often travels into the mountains to do traditional fall activities. On this double page, I documented one of my favourite fall excursions from when my kids were younger—the annual trip to the pumpkin patch. It was fun to create this layout from an event that happened over 10 years ago!

let's go to the pumpkin patch

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TIPS

POCKET TIP #1: Document all your hobbies (including scrapbooking) so future generations will know more about you and what made you happy!

POCKET TIP #2: Print out small photos with white borders to add to your pocket cards for fun layered looks.

POCKET TIP #3: Create even more layers by placing stickers and labels over and under your photos.

POCKET TIP #4: Use foam tape liberally under stickers and die cuts to add lots of depth to your pages!

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Fall is the ideal time to try a new craft.

Typically, we are back indoors more, and we start to think about handmade holiday gifts. I started embroidery as a challenge and loved it so much that I had

to document it! A pocket page was perfect to showcase some of my hoops. The Carta Bella Craft Paper and Create collection had just the right elements to commemorate my newfound love of embroidery!

Follow Nathalie on Instagram at [@announceofcreativity](https://www.instagram.com/announceofcreativity) for more of her inspiring pocket pages and other creative things.