

# pocket play

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

From documenting everyday life moments to recording big celebrations, holidays, or events, pocket pages have been my go-to memory-keeping method for the last 10 years. Why do I love it so much? Simple—it's the versatility of pocket pages! Not only can I create pages with a variety of photos and storytelling techniques, I can also play with colourful products in grid design format. I consider pocket pages to be "designated spaces of possibility" which makes them easy to use. Each pocket presents so many opportunities to grow and get creative.



## TIPS

**POCKET TIP #1: Enlarge your "best" photo.** I chose the cutest photo and enlarged it to 9 x 12. The big picture creates a natural focal point to the page.

**POCKET TIP #2: Use an analogous colour scheme.** This layout uses yellow, green, and blue tones, and since these colours fall next to each other on the colour wheel, this is considered an analogous colour scheme.

## Documenting normal traditions in extraordinary circumstances gives

you a visual record of what it looks like to live through history. Although last year's celebrations didn't go as planned because of the pandemic, it was rich with stories. Looking back, I am so happy I took the time to take these photos and write down my thoughts.

## easter 2020

**supplies** PATTERNED PAPER: Simple Stories; STAMPS: Elle's Studio; JOURNALING CARDS, CORK HEART, POCKET PAGE PROTECTOR: Ali Edwards; FONT: Remington Noiseless; ADHESIVE: Scrapbook Adhesives by 3L

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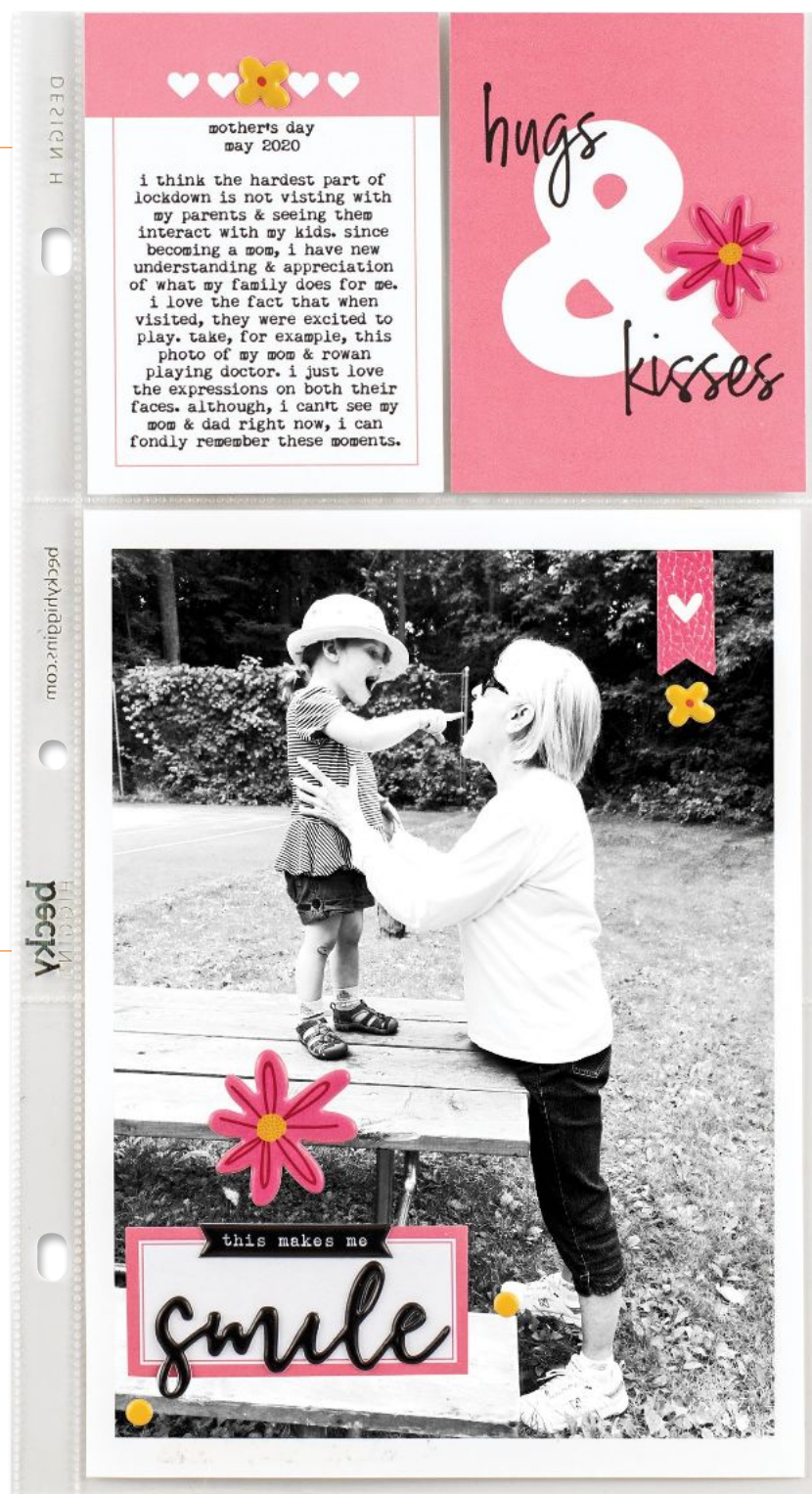
**POCKET TIP #1: Make your pages**

**work for YOU.** I paired an older photo with today's perspective in this layout. Using the Fuse tool, I created a horizontal and vertical seam to hold my 6 x 8 photo and two 3 x 4 journaling cards in place. Challenge yourself to come up with your own configurations using this fantastic tool!

**POCKET TIP #2: Embellish photos and journaling cards.**

I added some much needed "lumps and bumps" to my page with the die cut phrase *smile* and puffy flower stickers. By clustering embellishments with the dots of yellow throughout the page, I've added visual interest and texture.

**Mother's Day 2020 was not the norm,** so I shared a story about what I was missing most during the pandemic. I paired an older photo of my mom and daughter playing and wrote about the past and included details about what I am looking forward to the most when we can all spend time together again. Scrapbooking can be like therapy and can leave you feeling connected to memories, people, and places, especially when you are not able to be together.



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