pocket play

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

My name is Ingunn, and I've been scrapbooking since 2006. A few years back, I switched from traditional layouts to doing mostly pocket pages. I discovered that pocket pages removed my biggest hurdle in scrapbooking: feeling like I had to come up with a new design every time I sat down to create (and failing!). I love the ease of slipping photos and cards into pockets that are already laid out for me. Now I can tell my story without the added (self-induced) stress!



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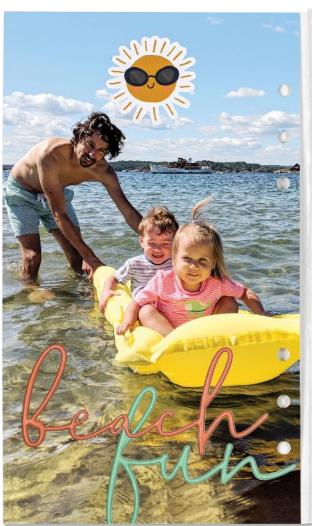
POCKET TIP #1: Use your handwriting. I've never liked my handwriting much, so I usually type my journaling, but now that I have kids, I'm realizing that this is the kind of personal touch that they might treasure in the future. I now try to include my handwriting somewhere at least once in every album, and sometimes I even get my husband to fill out journaling cards from his perspective!

POCKET TIP #2: Limit your colour palette. My outdoor photos tend to be busy with lots of different colours. In those cases, I try to stick with one or two main colours in the products I use to avoid overwhelming the eye.

My main scrapbooking focus is on seasonal family albums, but I also have a 6 x 8 album for each of my daughters that will be theirs to keep. In these albums, the stories are all about them, and I make sure to include lots of reasons why I think they are awesome little humans! Nora is such a great hiking buddy, and I hope that someday she will look back at this album and remember this day we spent together.

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POCKET TIP #1: Think outside the pocket.

Sometimes I like to mix things up and include photos outside of the pockets. I simply punch holes directly through the photo, and then adhere another photo (or patterned paper) to the back.

POCKET TIP #2: Design in threes. This layout encompasses the big three: photo, journaling, embellishment. One pocket/page for each and the story is told quickly and beautifully.

POCKET TIP #3: Play with vellum. Layering stickers over a piece of vellum is a fun way to add some transparency to a pocket. Try patterned vellum for a bit more interest!

I love the size of traveller's notebooks but prefer the look of pocket pages, so the 4 x 8 albums from Citrus Twist are the perfect compromise for me. They are so approachable and easy for travel albums! This smaller size also makes it easy to include full-page photos for a striking visual effect.

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