

make it mini

Celebrate the blooms of summer with a magnificent flower mini album! BY KELLY DAYE

Summers are super short where I live in Canada, so we go big during flower season. I fill my yard with gorgeous colour, changing them from year to year. Follow me through my garden gate as I share my love of flowers and mini albums!

MINI SIZE:

9½ x 9



GETTING STARTED

When binding your own album, decide on a binding system right away. This will dictate the size of your mini and get you headed down the right track!

- ✓ **MAKE IT TIP: Choose a theme.** Carry one or two elements throughout your album for cohesiveness. In my mini album I focused on a rainbow theme and added lots of gold with sewing, paint, glitter, embellishments, and a chain stitched border on each page.
- ✓ **MAKE IT TIP: Narrow it down.** Pick a focused topic to keep from getting overwhelmed.
- ✓ **MAKE IT TIP: Go easy on yourself.** Not every page needs a photo! Sometimes it's just fun creating something pretty.

my flower adventures

supplies CARDSTOCK, GLITTER: American Crafts; PATTERNED PAPER, CHARMS, CHIPBOARD, DIE CUT SHAPES: Paige Evans for American Crafts; STAMPS: Spellbinders; INK, GLITTER GLUE: Ranger; PEN: Cricut; BUTTONS: Kimberbell; CLIPS: Paige Evans for American Crafts, Recollections; STICKERS: Jen Hadfield for American Crafts, Paige Evans for American Crafts; LETTER STICKERS: Paige Evans for American Crafts, Pinkfresh Studio; DIES: Hip Kit Club, Lawn Fawn, Paige Evans, Pinkfresh Studio; ACRYLIC PAINT: Target; ELECTRONIC CUT FILES: Paige Evans; TRIM: DMC; BINDING TOOL, BINDING WIRE: We R Memory Keepers; EMBOSSING FOLDER: Crafts-Too; PUNCH: Martha Stewart Crafts; STAPLER: Tim Holtz; FONT: Arial Rounded Bold; ADHESIVE: 3M, American Crafts, Scrapbook.com; OTHER: Sequins, vellum

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✓ **MAKE IT TIP:**
Add depth and details.
 Grand electronic cut files work well in this size album and the carefully chosen patterned papers paired with stitching make this album extra special!

✓ **MAKE IT TIP: Limit the bulk.** Remove most of the layers behind a chipboard element. They're still gorgeous but not as thick.

✓ **MAKE IT TIP: Include pockets.** Pockets are a great place to save even more photos and cute journaling cards.



✓ **MAKE IT TIP: Maximize it!** Use larger items in a scrapbook collection to create BIG impact! A large pocket and a rainbow dominate this colourful spread.

