



# STEP-BY-STEP: Nov. 11

time to complete: 30 minutes

here's what you need:

- (1) 5 x 7" photo (vertical/portrait orientation)
- (1) 8½ x 11" base cardstock
- (1) 5¼ x 7 ¼" coordinating cardstock for photo mat
- (1) 1¼ x 11" strip of coordinating patterned paper
- (1) 1½ x 1" lined notebook paper for doodle block
- (2) 2" circles of coordinating patterned paper
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- (2) buttons & scraps of embroidery floss/twine
- Chipboard alphabets & letter stickers for title
- Corner rounder & circle punches (or circle templates)
- Basic tool kit (adhesive, trimmer, journaling pen, ruler, glue dots, etc.)

here's what you do:

1. Trim papers to the above measurements; circle punch (or trace & cut) circles to above measurements.
2. Round right-hand corners of cardstock base.
3. Adhere patterned strip ½" from left margin.
4. Adhere photo mat to the left of patterned strip leaving 1/8" gap (2" from bottom).
5. Adhere photo centered onto mat leaving 1/8" border.
6. Use ruler to draw right-justified journaling lines under photo; handwrite journaling.
7. Doodle event info & date onto notebook paper; adhere doodle to lower right-hand corner of photo.
8. Adhere chipboard alphabet title along top of photo mat; adhere letter stickers to complete title.
9. Adhere 2 sets of 3 concentric circles to lower, left-hand and upper, right-hand corners of photo.
10. String floss/twine through button holes; tie off & trim; adhere buttons to circles with glue dots
11. Smile at your cleverness and enjoy!

why this works:

Repetition creates harmony. This layout capitalizes on the floral pattern in the photo by pairing it with a patterned floral of the same energy. "Flower" embellishments, created from paper circles, have a button center. Florals also convey growth, which is the premise of the journaling.

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