

Wallet-Style Album with Clasp Closure

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ABOUT THIS PROJECT

Create an interactive mini album or wallet-style card from a single piece of A4 card stock. This project features an old-fashioned journal clasp closure and side pockets for photos or mementos, giving it an elegant, heirloom quality.

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The project starts: 21:00 into the show

In this guide: 12 steps

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1**STEP 1 OF 12**

Take a piece of A4 card stock scored down the middle to create the base of your book.

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2**STEP 2 OF 12**

Cut a piece of decorative paper to size and glue it to the front cover as your front panel.

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3**STEP 3 OF 12**

Select two pieces of decorative paper for the inside pages and glue them down inside the book.

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4**STEP 4 OF 12**

Cut a strip of card stock and glue it across the back of the book to create a wallet-style closure flap.

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5**STEP 5 OF 12**

Score a line down the middle of your closure strip to create a hinge effect.

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6**STEP 6 OF 12**

Score additional lines on either side of the closure band to allow movement without stress.

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7**STEP 7 OF 12**

Glue the closure band down on the back of the book, ensuring it is straight.

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8**STEP 8 OF 12**

Create a small clasp by cutting a strip of contrasting card and scoring it to form a hinged element.

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Glue the clasp strip across the front of the book so it can be tucked in and pulled out as a closure mechanism.

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Glue a pocket panel along the top and sides of the inside pages, leaving the base open to create a pocket for photos or mementos.

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Trim the pocket panel level with the base of the book using a guillotine or trimmer.

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STEP 12 OF 12

Consider adding a gusset or hinge by scoring and leaving a small gap if you plan to add substantial embellishments or items inside.

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- You can use magnets as an alternative closure method by attaching them to the back of the closure flap and the inside of the book.
- Use card stock and papers you already have in your stash rather than purchasing new products.
- If you have a corner punch, round the corners of the closure band to give it a more polished, journal-like appearance.

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