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The Magic
in the Middle

Katie's Keepsake Album

Skill Level: Beginner



Customize your favorite picture album in this quick and easy tutorial. This padded album makes a great gift or keep your creation all for yourself!

Materials Needed

2 ½ yds 805 Pellon Wonder-Under®

½ yd Legacy™ White Cotton or Dark Blend batting(depending on fabric choice)

½ yd 810 Pellon Tru-Grid®

½ yd print fabric (for cover)

¾ yd coordinating fabric (for inside cover and lettering)

2 yds 1" wide satin ribbon

Loose leaf photo album

Printed name or design to add to the front of the album

2 1/2 yds 3/8" picot edge trim (optional)

*Note: These yardages are for an album approximately 10" x 12". You may need to adjust the amount based on the size of the album you choose. You can approximate these by bringing the album with you when buying fabric. Just lay the open album on the fabric and buy enough to have at least two inches extra all around.

Tools Needed

Iron and ironing board

Press cloth

Fabric Scissors

Embroidery Scissors

1. Open photo album and place flat on top of Tru-Grid®. Trace photo album dimensions. Cut out.
2. Use Tru-Grid® pattern to cut several layers of batting. The number of batting layers is up to you. More layers will provide more loft and a softer look.
3. Trace photo album outline onto the paper side of Wonder-Under®. Add 2" for turn back allowances all around. Fuse Wonder-Under® to the wrong side of the cover fabric according to package/interleaf directions. Peel off paper backing.
4. Trace printed image or letters onto the rough side of Wonder-Under® to avoid backward letters, then re-trace onto the paper side if using a dark fabric. Fuse to coordinating fabric as directed and cut out.
5. Carefully center batting and photo album on top of cover fabric with the web side up. Clip fabric corners, fold edges over to the inside of the album and fuse pulling the fabric taunt as you go.
6. Decorate your album with ribbon and cut outs fused in place with Wonder-Under®.
7. For inside covers, draw two rectangles 9 ½" x 11" onto Wonder-Under®. Fuse onto coordinating fabric and cut out. Peel off paper backing and fuse to inside covers.
8. If desired, glue on the picot edge trim to cover the raw edges on the inside cover. Start at the top back of the spine and continue down the side, across the bottom to the front, up the front, and across the top. Repeat on back cover.

Tip: Save the paper backing from the Wonder-Under® used for the front cover. These larger pieces are invaluable for all sorts of pressing tasks and will not stick to fusibles while ironing.

Tip: When fusing the cover to the album, make sure there is enough give in the fabric for the album to close. If you pull the fabric too tight, the tension will keep it from closing completely.