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Crafty Adults

# Creative You! craft kit

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Each kit contains supplies & a step-by-step guide to help you with the craft's creation.

<u>July's Craft kit:</u> Handmade Craft Paper Journal w/Tassel



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#### <u>Kit includes:</u>

- 1 Decorative sheet of cardstock paper (for the cover)
- Pages of white drawing paper
- 2 Mini binder clips
- 1 Piercing & scoring tool
- 1 Mini tasse
- 1 Embroidery needle
- 1 Elastic cord (15 inches long)
- 1 Embroidery floss (24 inches long)
- 1 piece of plastic corrugated sheet (3 x 5 inches

### **Step-by-Step Instructions:**

### Handmade Craft Paper Journal w/Tassel

- Take your decorative cardstock paper & decide which side will be the front of your notebook.
- Fold it in half, take the scoring tool & press down on the crease, making it nice & sharp.

#### **CREATE YOUR PAPER JOURNAL:**

- Unfold your cardstock paper & flip it over with the top side facing down.
- Place the stack of white drawing paper on top of the cardstock paper in the center.
- Take 1 mini binder & clip the cardstock & paper in place.

#### This will help to keep the papers from moving around when you start sewing them together. **PUNCH HOLES FOR SEWING:**

• Place the piece of plastic corrugated sheet underneath the fold of your journal.

# This will ensure that the surface of your table is protected!

- Draw 3 dots along the fold:
  - You can use a ruler to measure 1 inch from the sides θ then draw the third dot in the center of them.

• Take the piercing tool & punch holes on the dots Make sure the holes go through all of the papers!

# Additional supplies <u>you'll need</u>:

- Scissors
- Pencil
- Ruler











## <u>Step-by-Step Instructions:</u> Handmade Craft Paper Journal w/Tassel

# NOW YOU CAN BEGIN SEWING YOUR JOURNAL PAGES TOGETHER:

- Take your embroidery thread & knot one end.
- From the inside of your journal, push your needle through the first hole.
- Pull the string back inside through the center hole, then back out through the last hole, & then double-back along the spine, taking your needle through the first hole again.

#### This will make your book's spine stronger!

• Inside the journal, make a loop & double knot the yarn, trimming the scraggly end.

### ADD THE ELASTIC CORD & TASSLE:

- Place your journal on top of the plastic corrugated sheet & open to the back page.
- At the center of the page, along the crease, take your piercing tool & create a larger hole for the elastic cord.

# You can rotate the tool in a small circle until the hole is large enough for the cord.

- Insert the tassel onto the cord.
- From the outside of the journal, insert both of the cord's ends through the hole, creating a loop outside.
- You want the loop to be about 4 inches long so that the elastic loop can comfortably wrap around your journal.
- Once you have the cord in place, tie a doubleknot at the inside back-cover, & trim the ends.

**NOW YOUR HANDMADE CRAFT PAPER JOURNAL** 

IS READY TO USE FOR NOTES, IDEAS & DRAWINGS!













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