



The Dish

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Thank you for joining us for our premier kit. In the coming months look for great additions including: a fully automated membership program, specialty “Kitchen Sink” kits and a member’s referral program. Join our message boards at Yahoo Groups (<http://groups.yahoo.com/group/apronstrings/?yguid=85387702>) to keep up-to-date with what’s happening at Apron Strings. Need extra paper? Want a Mini Book but didn’t buy the “Bigger Than a Breadbox kit?” These items and more can be found in “The Pantry.”

What's Cookin'

Enclosed with each of our kits you will find a Recipe, which is a layout sketch. Recipe cards are great for those moments when scrapper’s block strikes or when inspiration needs a kick-start. Each sketch will have at least one corresponding color example shown in the newsletter for that month. Every month a new Recipe will be included with your kit. Recipes are another way we can help you complete pages more quickly and easily.



Tips

For the Smaller Than A Breadbox Kit

- Sticky Swatches are great foundations for further embellishment. Use alphabet stickers, stamps and rub-ons to create titles, journaling boxes or tags. Add stamped images or stickers to create accent blocks.
- The Scent-iments frame can be used to highlight journaling, as a photo mat or cut apart to create blocks or strips. Cut even thinner and they can be used like ribbon to create decorative knots for accents.



For the Bigger Than A Breadbox Kit

- The Mini Book can house additional photos or journaling on your layout. The additional pages can be used to mat photos or for journaling boxes. The mini book can be created separately for use as a brag book for yourself or as a gift. Use just the outside of the book (the folder part) to create a pocket – stitch the edge, use brads, eyelets or studs to close three sides of the pocket.
- Rub-ons aren’t just for paper. They can be applied to the ribbon as a title, border or added to the cover of the Mini Book which can pull double duty as a title box that holds additional photos and/or journaling.
- The slide frame can accent a photo or title box. Use it in combination with the Scent-iments blocks. Hang it from ribbon or thin cut strips of paper. Knot ribbon or paper strips on one side to draw the eye. Change its color by wrapping ribbon around it or cover it in coordinating paper.
- The Big Honkin’ Stickers are a great alternative to using foam stamps and paint – Same great look, no mess.
- The layover can be used as is or separate from the cardstock backing. You can cut it into strips or blocks to use as a border or over a photo.



Other Tips and Ideas:

- Extra paper? The Chocolate Malt cardstock also coordinates well with the Halloween Plaid.
- Something too bright? A sheet of vellum over it will mute the brightness or use smaller sizes for borders, mats or accent squares
- Get more layout ideas out of one Recipe Card, simply flip one or both pages 90 degrees to change the orientation.
- Scraps of paper and leftover embellishments make great cards.



This Month's Ingredients

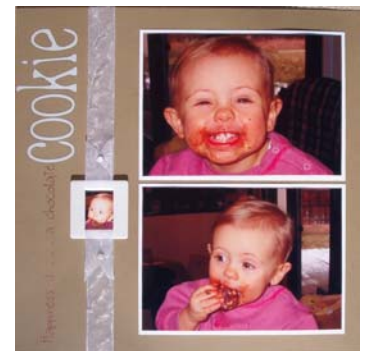
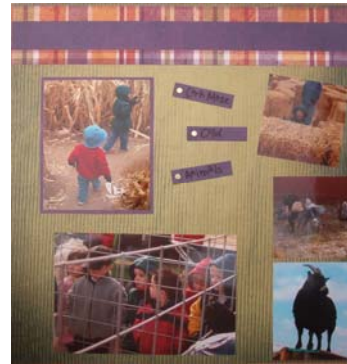
Smaller Than A Breadbox:

- 2 sheets 12x12 Pretty Pink cardstock by WorldWin
- 2 sheets 12x12 Chocolate Malt cardstock by WorldWin
- 1 sheet 12x12 Merry Christmas Vellum by My Minds Eye
- 1 sheet "I Love You" Scent-iments by My Minds Eye
- 12" Khaki grosgrain ribbon by Jcaroline*
- 2 sheets 12x12 double-sided Halloween Plaid by Daisy D's
- 2 sheets 12x12 School Book (eggplant) by Daisy D's
- 2 sheets 12x12 Fall Cords (leaf) by Daisy D's
- 12 gold studs by Scrapworks
- 1 yard olive grosgrain by Jcaroline*
- 1 sheet 12x12 Citrus Wavy Stripe by Scrapbook Wizard
- 2 sheets 12x12 Luscious Lime cardstock by WorldWin
- 2 sheets 12x12 Ocean Blue cardstock by WorldWin
- 1 sheet Sticky Swatches by Scrapbook Wizard
- 18" orange grosgrain by Jcaroline*



Bigger Than A Breadbox:

- 2 sheets 12x12 Cantaloupe cardstock by Diecuts With a View
- 2 sheets 12x12 Chocolate Malt cardstock by WorldWin
- 2 sheets 12x12 Heritage White cardstock by WorldWin
- 1 sheet "I Love You" Scentiments by My Minds Eye
- 1 12x12 Transparency Layover "Love" by My Mind's Eye
- 1 sheet Big Honkin Stickers by Mustard Moon
- 1 yard White Organza Ribbon by Reasonable Ribbon*
- 12 round white studs by Scrapworks
- 1 white slide frame by Scrapworkds
- 1 sheet 12x12 double-sided Halloween Plaid by Daisy D's
- 1 sheet 12x12 Halloween Plaid by Daisy D's
- 2 sheets 12x12 School Book (eggplant) by Daisy D's
- 2 sheets 12x12 Fall Cords (leaf) by Daisy D's
- 1 Season's Keepers Mini book by Daisy D's
- 4 gold spiral square clips by Scrapworks
- 1 rub-on "Family" by Deja Views
- 1 yard olive grosgrain by Jcaroline*



*All lengths are close approximations

Sneak a Taste of Next Month

Bigger Than a Breadbox

- Patterned Paper from American Crafts, Scrapbook Wizard
- Matchbooks from My Mind's Eye
- License Plates and buttons from Junkitz
- Stickers from Me & My Big Ideas
- Other great ingredients

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Coming in March '05