

CLUB Stamp

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Expanding Calendar Project

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I stumbled upon this project idea at Pinterest and thought it would be a fabulous decorative desk calendar. After giving tons of consideration to a substantial base for the calendar, I just couldn't think of anything better than a solid wooden block. So, we decided to upcycle some extra wood mounts, and it worked beautifully! By recycling, we were able to include enough materials to make two complete projects. One for you to keep, and one to give away!

Project Kit:

- 12x9.75" White Printed Calendar Sheet
- (2) 3.375x4.5" Black Panels
- (2) 3.125x4.25 Light Gray Panels
- (2) 2.25x8" Black Strips
- (4) 2x3.25 Dark Gray Panels
- (4) 1.75x3" White Panels
- 13-pack 12" Assorted Fibers
- 3" Self Adhesive Magnet Strip
- (2) Silver Binder Clips
- (26) White Shipping Tags
- (24) White Coin Envelopes
- (2) Wood Mounted Stamp Bases
- 4.25x5.5" Sandpaper

Tools and Materials:

- 12" Paper Trimmer
- Black and White Acrylic Paint
- Foam Brush or Paint Brush
- CS® Bookbinding Glue
- ScorePal® or Scortl Board®
- Bone Folder
- Inks and Rubber Stamps

1. **Sand** off the indexing on the wood mounted stamp bases with the sandpaper provided.
2. **Paint** one base with black acrylic paint and one base with white acrylic paint. (If you like a little variety.)
3. **Score** each 2.25x8" Black strip horizontally at 3.5 and 4.5". Fold along the scorelines.
4. **Stamp** and decorate the 1.75x3" White Panels and 3.125x4.25" Light Gray Panels with images and colors of your choice.





5. Nest the White panels within the scored areas of the two Black strips. The center "spine" of the strips will be on the bottom of the project. Nest the Light Gray panels onto the 3.375x4.5" Black panels.

6. Open the flap on each White Coin Envelope. Place the envelope horizontally into a paper trimmer with the flap on the right. Cut at 3.5". Divide into two stacks of twelve envelopes each.

7. Apply a thin line of CS® Bookbinding Glue down the vertical center of an envelope and spread with a foam brush. Place a second envelope onto the glued area, aligning all edges perfectly. Ensure that the envelope opening matches the same direction as the first.

8. Repeat gluing process to glue twelve envelopes together.

9. Repeat to create a second glued stack of twelve envelopes. Open the envelopes like a fan to ensure that the glue did not cause the envelope openings to seal. Slide a bone folder beneath the opening to separate, if needed. (We needed to . . . just sayin'.)

10. Brush glue onto the front and back center of an envelope stack. Wrap a 2.25x8" Black strip around the envelopes, aligning all edges. Repeat for the second stack of envelopes.

11. Glue the 3.375x4.5" Black Panels onto the wood mounting blocks. Stamp quotes onto the edges of the blocks with India Black or White Pigment ink.

12. Glue the base of the scored Black strip onto the back edge of the wooden block.

13. Cut the magnetic strip to fit the width of a binder clip. Attach the magnetic side to the clip and remove the self adhesive backing.

14. Adhere the binder clip to the wood base. Repeat for the second clip.

15. Trim the White Printed Calendar Sheet into sections. Each monthly panel will be 2-1/8" wide for proper fit on the tags.
16. Adhere the "2013" title panels onto two White tags. (Matte with Yellow paper to add a little pop.)
17. Use a sharp scissors to cut all ribbons in half.
18. Layer each calendar cutpart onto a tag and tie ribbon to the top.
19. Attach the title tag to the binder clip for gift giving.
20. Insert the remaining tags into the envelopes. Decorate the tags as you wish with mists, inks and stamped images or hand written message. Perhaps write birthdays and special occasions for the month on the back of the tags.
21. Rotate the tags monthly to display the current date.

