

AMERICAN FAMILY ALBUM

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You Will Need:

- Album pages*
- #2 Pencil
- Ruler
- Photo-safe glue stick
- Photographs (copies)*
- Scissors or craft knife
- Decorative paper, stickers, borders
- Coordinating solid-colored paper*
- Sheet protector

Instructions

1. Create your own free-form layout that highlights your photographs. Loosely arrange your photos on the background sheets to see how they fit. Be sure to leave enough room for journaling. Place the photos in chronological order from left to right.
2. Select some photos to be cropped as silhouettes — cutting along the form of the person and trimming away the background. Keep some photos in their normal square or rectangular shapes, rounding the corners.
3. Cut photo mats from your solid color paper that are slightly larger than your photos. Glue your photos to the mats.
4. Arrange your matted photos on your background sheet, and lightly mark with a pencil where they will go. After they are arranged, glue them to the background sheet.
5. Apply stickers and borders to your page.
6. Add your journaling and title.
7. Adhere background sheet to album page.
8. Insert your finished page into your sheet protector. Now you're ready to place it in your album!

* Acid-free products are recommended.