

SHORTCUT

DECOUPAGE COFFEE TABLE BOOK

{BINDING} COPTIC STITCH WITH X-MOTIF BOARD ATTACHMENT

{FINISHED SIZE} 12" X 12" (30.5 X 30.5 CM)

THE LOOK OF INTRICATELY LAYERED decoupage is stunning, but cutting all those pieces can be time consuming. Luckily designs are available where the hard work has already been done. I found some gorgeous decoupage papers from Durwin Rice and used them for this four-by-four book, simply gluing a single sheet to the covers and then sealing each one with three coats of decoupage medium.

I started with a 12" x 12" (30.5 x 30.5 cm) piece of plywood for the back and four 6" x 6" (15.2 x 15.2 cm) plywood pieces for the front covers. Each 6" x 6" (15.2 x 15.2 cm) book is sewn separately to the base on one of the four sides with the Coptic stitch with the X-motif attachment, and using one set of stitches per book. Small decorative knobs were attached to make it easier to open each book. Vintage sheet music was used for the inside front and back covers.

This design makes an eye-catching coffee table book that can be used to show off photographs, favorite quotations, or ephemera.



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