

Birthday Calendar Project

by Aly Dossdall

Jillibean Soup Products

Pasta Fagioli paper (italian seasoning, romano cheese, clove fresh garlic, shell macaroni, blended beans)

Monster Stew paper (2 tbsp slime, cup of eyeballs)

Atomic Soup paper (pinch of electrons)

Soup Staples paper (red sugar, olive sugar)

Coordinating Cardstock Stickers (Pasta Fagioli, Atomic Soup & New England Clam Chowder)

Journaling Sprouts (Pasta Fagioli, Christmas Chestnut Soup, Monster Stew)

Alphabeans (diced damask, herbed houndstooth)

Corrugated Alphas (blue)

Corrugated Shapes (buttons, flowers, arrows)

Clear Stamps (calendar, top ten)

Printed Canvas (white stripes, red polkas)

Bean Stalks (stars ribbon, red/brown ribbon, orange/yellow ribbon, blue/green ribbon)

Supplies Needed

Adhesive

Scissors

Corner rounder

White cardstock

Black felt tip pen and Pencil

Stamp ink

Ceramic paints

Tiny wooden clothes pins

Large frame (at least 13"x17")

Small screw eyes

Tape measure

Hammer and nail

Pliers

To Make the Project:

Step One

Using matching ink (orange, green, red, and blue), stamp the journaling image from top ten stamp set 12 times on white cardstock. Using the calendar stamp set, stamp each month of the year in the title space of the stamped journaling images. Using your black felt tip pen, write the dates and names of the birthdays you'd like to keep track of. Trim and round corners.

Step Two

Mount the monthly birthday lists you just stamped onto matching patterned papers, trim and round corners. Embellish each list as desired with journaling sprouts, coordinating cardstock stickers, printed canvas, corrugated shapes, and bean stalks. Create "Happy Birthday 2 U" signs using patterned papers, journaling



sprouts, coordinating cardstock stickers, alphabeans, and corrugated alphas. To make the party hat embellishment, cut the Pasta Fagioli journaling sprout in half, punch a small half circle in the center of the straight edge, and roll it up into a party hat shape. Cut some fringe at the top and tie a baker's twine bow around it.

Step Three

Paint 12 tiny wooden clothespins with ceramic paint to match the patterned papers (I used orange, green, red, and blue). While drying, measure 1 inch intervals with the tape measure on the inside of each long side of the frame and mark with a pencil. This is where your screw eyes will go to hold the twine for hanging your monthly lists.

Step Four

Using your hammer and nail, make small holes in the pencil marks on each side of the inside of the frame. Now install a screw eye in each hole using your pliers to tighten them. Thread the green twine from the stars ribbon through the screw eyes in an "S" pattern from the top of the frame to the bottom tying it tightly at the start and finish to secure.

Step Five

Clip your monthly birthday lists to the twine in order using the painted mini clothespins, and hang the calendar in your office, kitchen, or wherever it will best be seen to keep track of your loved ones' birthdays.