HAND BOUND BOOKS

Materials for Preparation Needed:
- ruler
- marker
- scissors

Materials Per Person:

Booklet:
- booklet paper (Sample: 8 1/2" x11"
  (Any type of paper can be used)
- colored construction paper cut 1/4" longer than the booklet paper for the sleeve.
  (Sample: 8 1/2" x 11 1/4" for the sleeve)
- large pointed tapestry needle
- button hole thread (color to match paper)
  (cut double the length of 2 ½ times width of the booklet)
  (Sample: 25" x 2 = 50" cut piece)

Cover:
- any kind of material to use for cover
  (Sample: wrapping paper cut to 14 1/2" x 11"
- two pieces of cardboard, ½" bigger in width and length
  (Sample: cardboard box piece cut to 6" x 9"
- scissors
- rubber cement (or some kind of strong adhesive)

DIRECTIONS

PART 1: For the Booklet Section:
1. Stack 8 -10 sheets of booklet paper together.
2. Fold in half to form the booklet of your choice.
3. Measure and mark ½“ intervals on the inside fold of the booklet with the marker. These marks will be where you
will be stitching.

4. Using the tapestry needle, pre-punch holes at marked intervals through the booklet.

5. Fold construction paper sleeve in half and align over the booklet. Punch through holes to make holes in sleeve.

6. Using the tapestry needle and thread, knotted at the end, stitch a running stitch through the holes of booklet and sleeve to the end and back. Knot at the end of the stitching process.

**PART 2: For the Cover Section and Finished Product:**

1. Brush one side of each cardboard piece with rubber cement. Allow to dry completely.

2. Mark the position of the cardboard pieces on the material back of the material chosen to be the cover. Make sure you allow a space between the cardboard pieces equal to the thickness of both cardboard pieces plus the thickness of the booklet. Be sure to add just a “pinch” extra after that for good measure.

3. Brush the marked sections with rubber cement and allow to dry completely.

4. Glue the rubber cemented sides of the cardboard to the marked cemented sections of the back of the cover material.

5. Fold the corners inwards towards the center and glue down.

6. Fold and glue down the sides, top, and bottom to the cardboard pieces.

7. Apply the booklet section to the cover. Center the booklet section over the cover with a sleeve resting on each cardboard section on each side. Mark the corners of the sleeves. This will help when you apply the glue.

8. Apply rubber cement to the back of each sleeve and the cover surfaces and allow to dry completely.

9. Carefully adhere the booklet to the cover. You now have a beautiful book to use at camp, any way you choose to use it!