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Brown Button Border Layout

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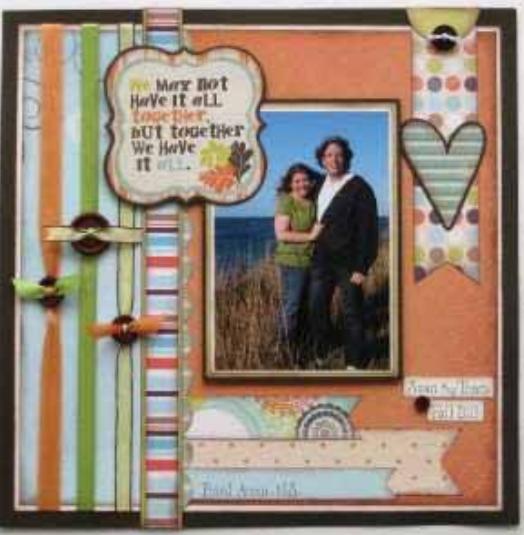
So here is a look at the papers I chose for the background, all cut and ready to go. Another trick that you may notice in the photo below, is that when I can, I will cut the middle out of the large pieces of paper. I like such a layered look, that I felt like I was wasting paper all the time. Paper that can be used for matting photos, titles or journal blocks.

In this next photo you will see that I have adhered some of the layers together, but not all of them. I have also cut my pieces of ribbon that are going to be used to create your button border. You will need 3 strips that are about 14″ long, and 3 shorts pieces that are about 4″ long.

You are going to adhere the 3 long pieces of ribbon in back of your layout. I tried to get them an equal distance apart. Then you are going to string your chosen buttons, one on each ribbon.

Here is a close up image of the ribbon strung through the button. Bring the button to the approximate area that you would like it to end up when you are finished. As in the photo, leave the ribbon loose in the front.

Take one of your smaller pieces of ribbon and tie it in a knot to keep it in place. This can be done without tying the small piece in a knot. I did end up untying the knot in the end before trimming so that the green ribbon showed over top of the yellow.

Pull the ribbon tight, untie if you'd like and I also adhered the back of the button to the layout to keep it in place. Repeat this for the other 2 ribbons and buttons.

Once you have your ribbon and buttons in place you can add that back layer of cardstock. I also trimmed the small pieces of ribbon to clean them up a bit.

I added some more pattern accents. I added the layered strip border up the same side as the ribbons. I also added simple flag accents to the bottom of the layout and the top right hand corner. I used a 1.75″ circle punch for the half circle at the top of the polka dot flag. I also added one more chocolate button with just a simple twine tied through it.

Now to add the final elements. My photo is matted 3 times, in cream, green and brown. I used 3D pop dots to adhere the photo to the layout. I then added the title, which happened to be a coordinating stick embellishment. I matted it in brown cardstock and adhered it to the layout, slightly overlapping onto the photo. I also added a couple of tiny journal strips and the heart embellishment.
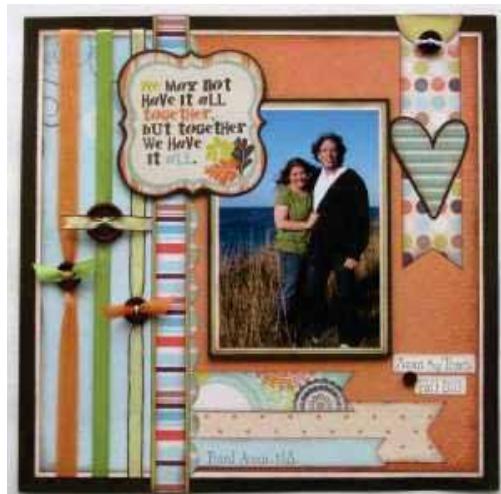
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