

Paper Minis Book 6 The Vintage Grocery



Required tools and supplies:

- X-acto knife and fresh blade. Young hobbyists, please have an adult helper when using a blade tool. Projects can be cut with scissors if you prefer.
- A thin metal straightedge ruler can be used to make fold lines by pressing against edge of the ruler.
- Tweezers are good for holding and pressing glue bonds.
- A cotton swab is also a useful tool for pressing glue bonds.
- Use a good cutting mat. Cardboard used as a substitute cutting mat will ruin your blade and your project will have rough edges.
- The best glue to use is a fast-grab, quick-dry, white craft glue that dries clear. Regular craft glue is too soupy to be of help here.
- An acid-free glue stick comes in handy, but only use when specified.
- A small piece of aluminum foil makes a good disposable glue pot.
- A slender artist's paintbrush is a good tool to use to apply glue. Wash the brush in clear water when not in use. Some prefer to use a toothpick, but a brush will give you much more control.
- Optional: a standard gray colored felt-tip pen for food can edges.
- Optional: a 5/16" paper hole punch and a 1/4" paper hole punch for easily cutting food can tops.



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Food Cans:

1. Roll can body around a cylinder such as a paint brush handle. Glue edge at beginning of label and remove from cylinder.



2. Cut tops and bottoms. Use the hole punches for perfect edges and saving time.



3. Glue top and bottom to cans. Before gluing you might want to use a color gray pen to cover the raw white edge of the paper. You have been given some spare tops just in case you mis-cut.

Sugar and Potato Bags

Bags may not be included in your project.

1. Fold a bag printed sides together. Whip-stitch the bottom and side length. Turn right sides out.
2. Fill with innocuous substance like clean sand or beads. Putting a food substance in the bag may attract bugs over the years.
3. Whip stitch the top of the bag closed.



Ice Cream Cartons

NOTE: lip on carton is no longer on the product (it's green and has copyright notice in this photo). Please disregard it in the following photos.



1. Get a good curve on each long piece by wrapping tightly on a slender cylindrical item. In this case a slender paint brush handle is used. This keeps sharp corners from popping up during assembly.



2. Tabs built on a curve will be folded manually, so be careful to make fold on same plane.





3. Glue the side tab to make the carton shape. Use a pair of tweezers to get a good clean bond. Use a good "fast-grab" craft glue.

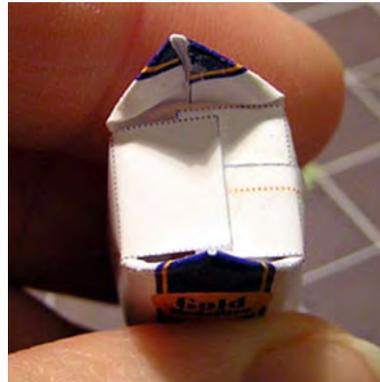
4. Place a white disk to the inside of the carton and glue against base tabs. This will help give your carton a perfectly round shape.

5. Size and trim bottom disk if required beforehand. Glue the bottom onto the carton. Place glue on the disk rather than the tabs. The color side is placed upwards. This makes an uneven edge less noticeable.

6. Cut lid's lip/edge. Fold tabs on faux gold lid. Use the metal ruler to press against for good straight creases. I use a vise and ruler to get a perfectly straight crease.

7. Glue end tab to create a hoop. Glue a white disk to the inside like you did with the carton.

8. Glue the top to the lid's lip. Again, place the glue to the disk rather than the tabs. The lid's seam should run up the back, so position the picture accordingly.



Flour Package

1. Cut and fold as shown.
2. Product looks like this, however, some of the photos below feature different artwork. The construction is identical.
3. Glue the side seam. Use tweezers to press the bond.
4. Glue the two rectangular tabs to each other on top of the bag as well as at the base of the bag.

5. Glue down the triangular tabs. Fill bag tightly with tissue to help keep the shape. Glue down the other end's triangular tabs.

Standard Box Construction

1. Box construction is straight forward. Cut out box and fold at all logical seams.



2. The next step for all Paper Minis boxes is to close up the side by gluing the side tab to the interior of the box.
3. Next, close up the base of the box and glue.



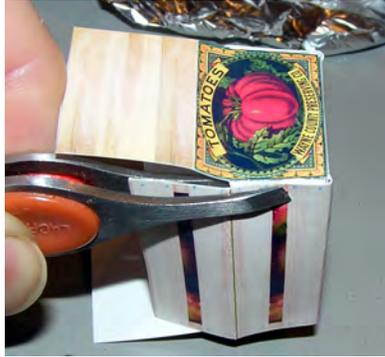
4. Close up the top of the box and glue.

Produce Crate

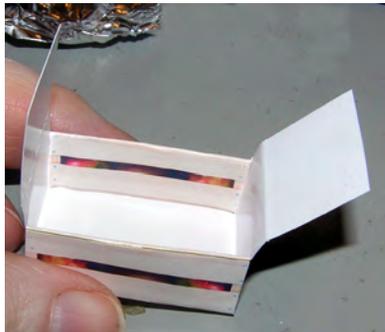
1. Fold as shown in the photo. All four sides will be lined with photographic imaging.



2. Glue the four corner tabs. Press with tweezers.



3. Paint glue to the two side linings. Fold to the inside of the box and press tightly.



4. Paint glue to the blank sides of the faux wood crate ends and glue down to the crate inside.



5. Take the insert with photographic image and fold down the sides.



6. Place the insert into the crate.

