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Candie Cooper uses flat back crystals to write sentiments with beads from John Bead.

Sparkle and Sentiments Journal



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**Materials needed**

- Flat back crystals, 3 and 4mm
- Crystal elastic banding
- Decorative die cut
- Charm or pendant
- Metallic acrylic paint in desired color
- Decoupage glue
- Multi-purpose adhesive
- Blank journal

**Instructions**

Optionally, you can brush over the surface of your journal with metallic paint. If it has recessed areas like this one, use a paper towel to wipe off the high spots, leaving the lower areas a contrasting color.

Attach the crystal banding by applying a small line of glue on the leather cord and using clothes pins to hold it in place while it dries. If your journal doesn't have a leather strap---add one by punching a hole in the back edge of the cover securing a piece of suede lace with a knot.

Determine where you will position your die cut and charm. Paint a layer of decoupage glue where you want your die cut. Stick the die cut in place and paint a layer of glue over top.

Glue the pendant/charm in place with the multi purpose adhesive.

Glue the flatback crystals in patterns or randomly around the die cut.

**Sources:**

Flatback crystals and banding by Preciosa from John Bead

Leather journal from Hobby Lobby

Mod Podge by Plaid Enterprises

GemTac by Beacon Adhesives

**Guest:**



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