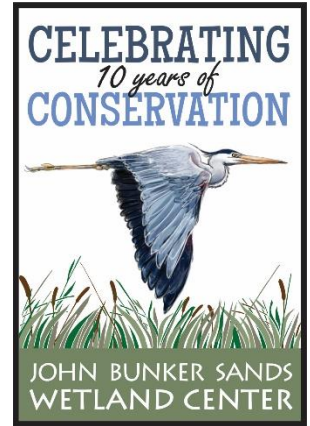


JBS Craft Corner

Do-It-Yourself Nature Journal



Needed Materials

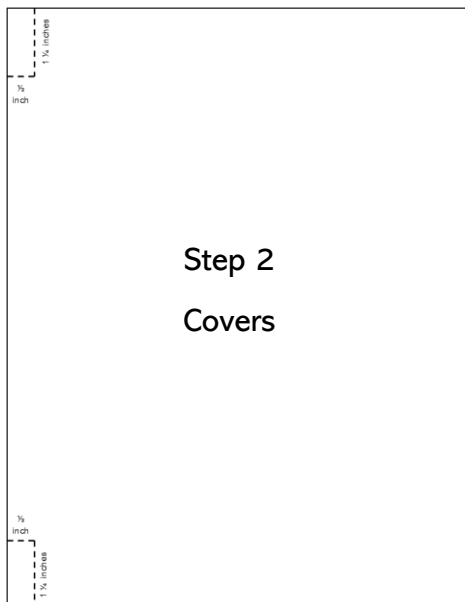
- cardstock, cardboard, or chipboard
- printed nature journal pages
- blank paper
- pencil
- ruler
- scissors
- holepunch
- rubber band
- twig (approximately 11 inches)

Optional Materials

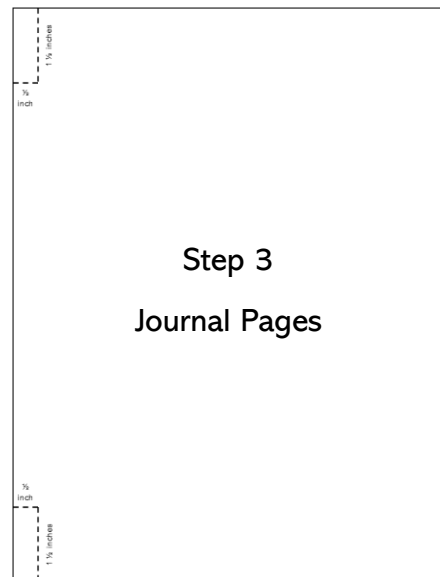
- colored pencils or markers
- stickers
- glue stick
- envelopes

Instructions

1. Cut the cardstock, cardboard, or chipboard into two sheets that are 11 ½ inches by 8 ¾ inches. These will become the journal cover pages.
2. Make two marks on the cover pages ½ inch in from the left-hand side and 1 ½ inches from the top and bottom (see step 2 image). Punch a single hole at each mark.
3. Make two marks on the blank paper ½ inch in from the left-hand side and 1 ¼ inches from the top and bottom (see step 3 image). Stack the blank paper and punch a single hole at each mark. *(Nature journal pages are already pre-marked.)*



Step 2
Covers



Step 3
Journal Pages



4. Stack the cover pages and inside pages in the order you want them and line up the punched holes.
5. Loop one end of the rubber band around the twig and pull the other end through the top hole.
6. Pull the rubber band down the back side of the journal and through the bottom hole to the front.
7. Wrap the free end of the rubber band around the twig thereby binding the journal closed.
8. At this point, decorate the front cover to your desire by coloring or using stickers.
9. Optionally, glue in an envelope on some pages to act as a pocket for nature treasures.

