

# April PROJECT OF THE MONTH



## Coaster Box

- 1** Adhere patterned paper to one side of the coasters using Xyron permanent adhesive. (5 for box - 1 for stars)
- 2** Sand all edges and round corners using sandpaper or file.
- 3** Use Bind-It All machine or Crop-A-Dile to punch holes in three sides of four of your coasters. Punch holes in all four sides of the fifth coaster.\* This is the bottom of your box.
- 4** Double a long piece of hemp cord. Tie a knot to hold the loose ends together and begin lacing one of the side panels to each side of the bottom panel. The lacing should be loose enough that you'll be able to fold the sides up for form the box but not too loose. You will probably need to grab another piece of cord to complete all four sides.
- 5** Again using doubled cord, lace up each side of your box. Tie off end knot on the inside of the box.
- 6** Braid together three long pieces of the thicker jute cord to create a handle. Make a large knot at each end but leave enough cord so that you can tie the handle to the box. Thread ends from braided handle through top holes on opposing corners of box and tie on inside.

# COWBOY COASTER BOX

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## You'll need:

- Ride 'em Ronnie (E-7526)
- Lassoed (E-7523)
- Pardner (C-7519)
- Happy Trails (C-7538)
- 6 - 4" x 4" drink coasters
- Cosmo Cricket "Wanted" paper
- Cardstock - White, Dark Brown
- Sanding tool (file or sandpaper)
- Bind-It All Binding Machine
- Crop-A-Dile hole punch
- Natural Hemp Cord
- Natural Jute
- Nestabilities Oval Dies - Classic & Scalloped
- Brilliance Graphite Black Ink Pad
- Markers
- Aged Copper Metal Bookplates, Picture Hanger, and Brads
- Ribbon
- Sizzix Star Die
- Xyron or other strong adhesive
- Pop Dots & Adhesive
- Cello bag and candy

*\*The BIA machine lets you offset the hole punching for interior book pages. This is what I used on opposing sides of my coasters so that the holes would be slightly offset when lacing.*

- 7** Use Sizzix star die to punch stars from remaining coaster. Use Crop-A-Dile to punch two holes in center of stars. Tie stars to handle using hemp cord.
- 8** Use Classic Oval Nestabilities die to cut four white cardstock ovals.
- 9** Stamp Lassoed image horizontally with Brilliance Ink on two white ovals and Ride 'em Ronnie vertically on the other two white ovals.
- 10** Color images with markers.
- 11** Use Nestabilities Scalloped oval die to cut dark brown scalloped cardstock ovals. Layer under white ovals. Adhere images to sides of box using pop-dots.
- 12** Stamp sentiments on scrap patterned paper and insert into metal bookplates. Adhere with brads or pop dots under horizontal stamped images.
- 13** Tie ribbon bow and adhere beneath vertical images. Embellish box by inserting a brad in the upper corners of each side of the box.
- 14** Fill cello bag with paper shred, candy, or a gift and insert into box.

#### **TAG**

- 1** Stamp "Happy Birthday Pardner!" three times vertically on wood grained patterned paper.
- 2** Trim paper to tag shape and mat to dark brown cardstock. Trim brown cardstock to tag shape leaving a border.
- 3** Adhere a larger piece of patterned paper to bottom layer and trim leaving a larger border. Layer brown cardstock as well and trim leaving a border.
- 4** Add metal picture hanger to top of layered tag using brad.
- 5** Use jute to tie tag to top of cello gift bag.

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