

Hidden Secrets - a Free Scrapbooking Idea

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Using envelope templates for keeping mementoes on your scrapbook page is a great way to keep it all together. This creative use of an envelope template also doubles the amount of memory space on your page!

An invitation envelope will keep ticket stubs, a fall leaf or even a sand dollar from a special trip or event safely on your page. A Business envelope would be ideal for holding a museum brochure or a map of your hiking trip in the mountains. Each time you look at your scrap book page, you will have the mementoes easily accessible.

Simply create an envelope from an invitation or business envelope template using coordinating paper from your stash. Mount the finished piece face down as a part of your scrapbook page using a tacky adhesive. Use a decorative closure

such as a button and string or apply a small piece of round self adhesive Velcro to keep the contents in the envelope.

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This free scrapbooking idea is also a great way to hide a journaling panel. Use a card making template or simply cut card stock or an index card by measuring the journal panel so that it will fit inside an envelope made with an envelope template. Print or handwrite your journaling on the panel. Place it inside of the envelope to create a hidden secret.

You can use a corner punch on the flap of each envelope to add additional details. Ink the edges for a distressed look, or mount a piece of ribbon below the envelope to "tie" it closed. There are so many variations of this use of an envelope for your projects that you will want to experiment with this free scrapbooking idea over and over.