



SUPPLIES

- 3 sheets of paper to make the squares (see below for sizing)
- 4 x 12" piece of scrap paper
- Strips of various paper to make the border
- 12" trimmer
- Tape Chips

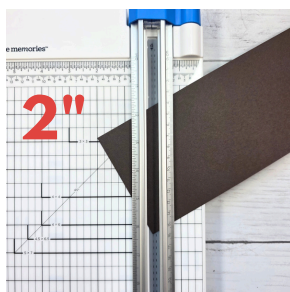
White: 10-3/4" square

Black: 11-1/8" square

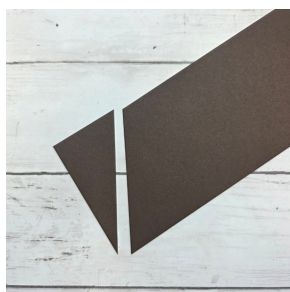
Orange: 12" square base paper

Black Mats: 4-1/4 x 6"

Photos: 3-7/8 x 5-5/8"



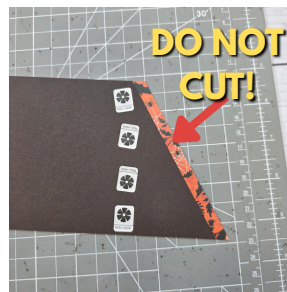
Step 1: Cut a 4x12" strip of paper. Place in the trimmer on an angle so the lower corner is on the cutting line and the upper left corner is at the 2" mark. A small triangle will be cut from the paper.



Step 2: Move the triangle, as cut, to the opposite side of the paper. Use tape chips on the back side to join the pieces together to make the angled base piece.



Step 3: Cut strips of paper 1-1/16" wide with a minimum height of 6". You will need a total of 10 strips. Place the first strip flush with the angled left edge of the base piece. Trim any excess that hangs over on the long edge.



Step 4: It's likely that one strip will hang over the right edge of the base piece.
DO NOT CUT THIS!



Step 5: Place into the trimmer with the long edge at the 1" mark and cut into 1" strips. *You may need to use scissors to complete the cut.*



Step 6: Cut a 10-3/4" square piece of paper and arrange the strips on the paper, rotating two of the strips to create a checkerboard pattern.



Step 7: Cut a 11-1/8" square from cardstock - if desired, cut out the center of the cardstock out to use for mats. Adhere the 11-1/8" square to the base 12x12 paper and then adhere the 10-3/4" square from Step 6 on top.