



CD Case Mini Book: "The Best of the 80's"

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What inspired me to create this album is simply being a Mom of a teenage boy who I feel is slipping further and further away. I don't think he realizes just what he means to us; how much we love him; and how far we will go to help him be who he wants to be.

The style of the album itself is a stretch for me. I usually scrap 12"x12" layouts because I need so much room to include all my artsy creations. With this album, the focus was on the photos and journaling. I needed a way to connect with my son and show him how precious he is to me.

One day while he was on the computer downloading iTunes, I heard a familiar melody from the 80's. I knew the 80's music was coming back but it hadn't hit home yet. I graduated high school in the 80's, Jared was born in the 80's, I KNOW the 80's and if it has to be the music that gets through to my son, then that works for me. He always has his music playing whether on his computer, iPod, in the car or strumming his guitar in between TV show commercials! So, I thought the shape of the album being a CD case would be a great way to get his attention. He might be interested to see what is inside. I filled it with pictures of his memorable childhood moments and shared their story as well as my feelings in the journaling. The last CD in this album is a music CD of all the song titles of the page layouts plus a few other favorites.

Jared is a die-hard skateboarder too, so this line of papers "Skate Shoppe" really fit his personality!

Supplies:

Becky Chabot Flourishes (heartsintouch.com)
Foam Alpha Stamps (Making Memories)
Patterned Papers, fibers, (Basic Grey-Skate Shoppe)
Acrylic Paint in various colors (Tulip)
Alpha Rub-ons, mini brads (Basic Grey)
Chipboard label shapes (Junkitz)
Label Maker (Dymo)
Perfect Printing Pouch (ScraPerfect)
Film strip overlay (Magic Scraps)
Sanding block (Ranger)
Junk CDs (one per page)
Recordable CD



Instructions:

1. Brush random blotches of different colors of acrylic paints over the cover of the album, let dry and then distress with a sanding block and use a craft knife to scratch gouges into the surface; to make it look "old" and beat up.
2. Apply paint to foam alpha stamps with a foam brush, then stamp the title "BEST" into place centered on the album cover.
3. Use black and white rub on letters to complete the rest of the title, place "The" on the top left and "of the" on the bottom left with "80's" in black to the bottom right as shown.

