

How to build your scrapbook

Building a scrapbook can be super fun and exciting. It is a great way to preserve your memories and keep them safe in one place. So with this task you are going to create a scrapbook of everything related to the journey of a lifetime known as Hajj. You can create the scrapbook in any style you wish, however remember that it is what you include in it that is more important than the design. So spend some time decorating your scrapbook but MUCH MORE TIME filling it with beautiful content. This is the same with ourselves too – we should spend more time working on perfecting our internal beauty and character than our external beauty and features.

We hope as you build your scrapbook you will learn about this great journey that millions of Muslims across the world embark on every single year, since the time of Prophet Ibraheem a.s. You will perhaps use some of your existing knowledge, speak to people in your family about what they know, research about great journeys of the past and recent years and learn about the major rituals and rites of the days of Dhul Hijjah.

So first let's see what kind of materials you will need:

- A scrapbook Album – it doesn't need to be anything fancy, a normal A4 or A5 notebook will be fine
- Some coloured paper or card – you can use this to create a background for some photos or notes
- Patterned paper – this is not essential but may be nice if you already have some to use as backgrounds for photos and notes.
- Scissors – there will be a lot of cutting involved so this is a must
- Adhesive – anything like a glue stick or double sided sticky tape is perfect. If you have some Washi tape already at home then this will also add a nice touch
- Pens and felt tips – you will use these to write out titles, comments, labels and much more
- Resources – this of course is the most important part of the scrapbook, you will need some interesting content to include in your scrapbook.

Content

Get as creative as you can in terms of what you would like your scrapbook to contain. Remember this is like a journal that you will keep for life and look back at it in years to come. So make sure it is filled with interesting information that you would enjoy going through in the future.

Here is a list of some ideas that you could include in your scrapbook – we have provided plenty of wonderful and interesting content for you to use and get started. You may choose to use these as guidelines and of course you may choose to do your own – it's entirely up to you.

- Historic pictures of the Haram in Makkah
- Pictures of historical sites in and around Makkah

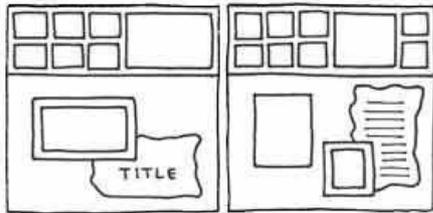
- Historic pictures of Madinah
- Pictures of historical sites in and around Madinah
- Famous accounts of Hajj
 - Hajji Ibn Jubayr, Hajji Malcolm X, Hajji Richard Burton, Hajjah Lady Zainab Evelyn Cobbold, Hajji Mansa Musa,
- Duas for Hajjis
- My Hajj Dua List
- The Days of Hajj
- Days of Hajj step by step
- Interview a Haji template
- A Day in the Life of a Haram Cleaner
- Map of the Hajj Route
- Detailed map of the Makkah Haram
- Detailed map of the Rawdah Shareef in Madinah
- The points of Meeqat
- Qiblah from all around the world
- The different types of Hajj

Make sure you add your own personal touches – with comments and thoughts of your own. Imagine you are taking this wonderful journey, write down what you think you'd be feeling at every stage. Perhaps in years to come when you are blessed with performing Hajj you can go back to your scrapbook and compare what you thought to how it really happened for you. Or maybe you are one of the lucky ones who may have already experienced Hajj, in this case you can add your very experience as you fill out your scrapbook.

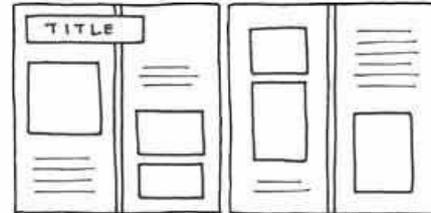
We pray you have fun and more importantly learn about this great journey of a lifetime!

Design ideas

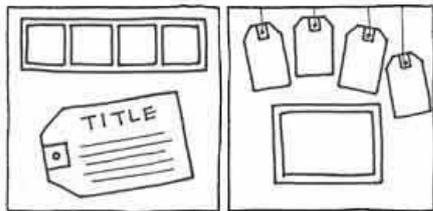
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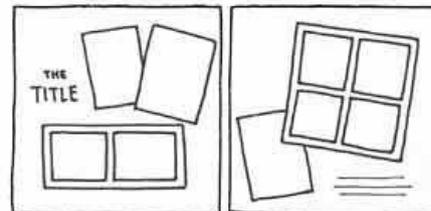
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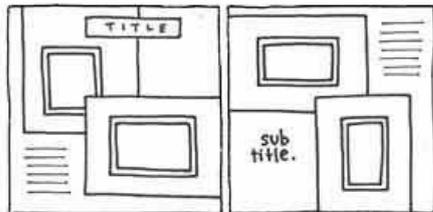
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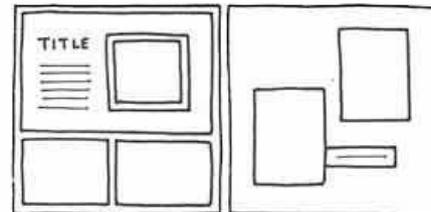
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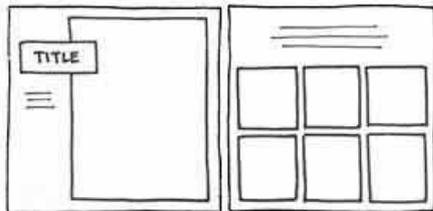
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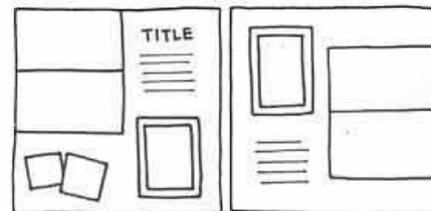
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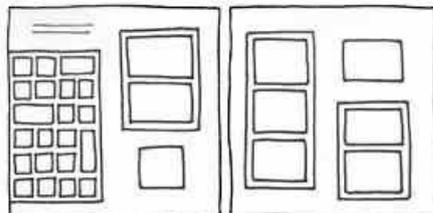
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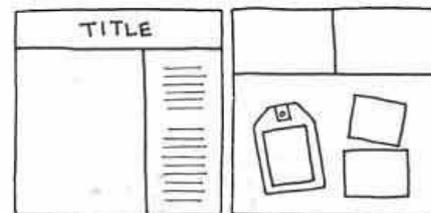
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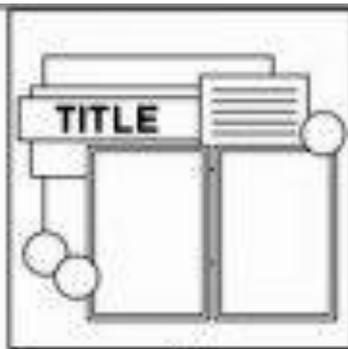
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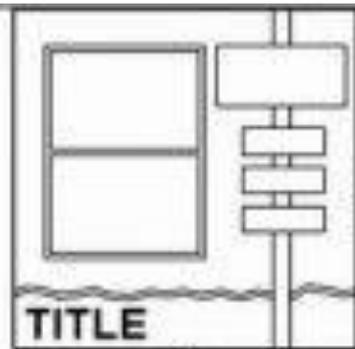
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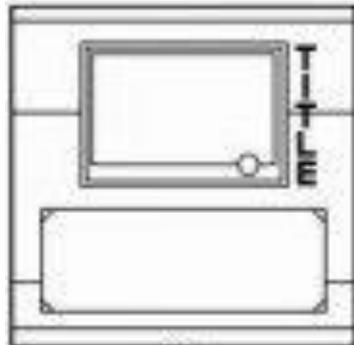
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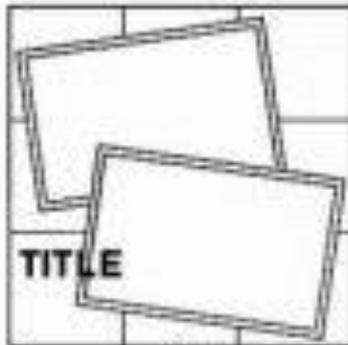
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