



## BURNISHED METAL

Metal finishes always seem to produce a certain wow factor. When using aluminum foil on a project, you get not only the look of metal, but also a hip, textural effect. This technique could easily be done with the foil alone, but the addition of chipboard letters and shapes under the foil creates extra dimension. The layers of light and dark paint also play up the creases and texture in the foil.



### BURNISHED METAL MINI BOOK MATERIALS LIST

chipboard alphabet (*7gypsies*) • chipboard hearts (*Scenic Route Paper Co.*) • chipboard mini book (*Maya Road*) • craft glue • foil • gel medium (*Ranger Industries*) • metal rimmed tag (*Avery*) • metallic paint (*Viva Decor*) • paint (*Ranger Industries*) • patterned papers (*BasicGrey*) • ribbons • tabs (*BasicGrey*)

## WHAT YOU'LL NEED

Craft glue  
Chipboard shapes  
Cardstock  
Foam brushes  
Artist-quality acrylic gel medium (matte)

Aluminum foil  
Acrylic paints  
Baby wipes or paper towels  
Metallic or pearl paint



- 1 Glue the chipboard pieces onto the cardstock base.
- 2 Add a thin layer of gel over the chipboard pieces and lay the foil over the gel medium. Fold the edges under and secure them with medium.
- 3 Lightly rub the foil into place around the chipboard pieces using your finger. Be careful not to tear the foil.
- 4 Paint over the foil with a variety of different colors of acrylic paint. Allow the piece to dry completely.
- 5 Apply black acrylic paint to the entire piece and allow it to dry slightly. Buff the paint off the raised areas with a paper towel or nearly dry baby wipe, while leaving the paint in the crevices. Allow the black paint to dry completely.
- 6 Using a paper towel or soft cloth, randomly rub metallic or pearl paint onto the raised areas.

## Details, Details

- After buffing off the black paint, some of the base colors may rub off. Reapply paint if necessary.