

## A Summer Day Flower Press

### Supplies needed

- 7 pieces of corrugated cardboard (from a mailing box) cut to 4" X 6"
- 6 pieces pieces of printer paper or newspaper cut to 4" X 6"
- 1 piece of scrapbook paper cut to 4" X 6"
- glue stick
- 1 label (cut from below) or stickers to decorate your cover
- 2 elastic bands

### Instructions

1. Cover 1 piece of cardboard with the scrapbook paper.
2. Decorate the cover with one of the labels below and/or stickers of your choice.
3. Gather flowers, leaves, grasses or small ferns that are in good condition.
4. Place 1 piece of cardboard, 1 piece of paper, the specimen, 1 piece of paper and 1 piece of cardboard.
5. Continue piling in that order, ending with the cover.
6. Wrap each side with 1 elastic band.
7. Check specimens occasionally. Drying can take up to 2 weeks depending on the moisture in the plant material.
8. Pressed flowers and leaves are ready when they are firm.

These flowers can be glued to paper to make a scrapbook collection, added to note cards, or decoupage to projects to decorate them. The flower colors might fade over time.

