Coaster Calendars

So now I have my tree present sorted for my mother (see here if you are interested to see what that is) and I have moved onto my Dad. He has a small office, where he hides from my mother most of the day, since he retired, probably to avoid having to do all the jobs she has lined up for him.
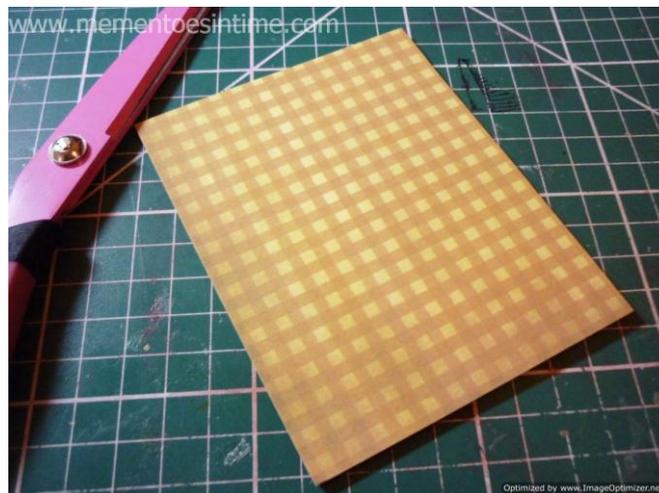
Anyway, I thought this little desk calendar would be perfect for him, with a photo and a useful 2012 calendar to refer to. If you would like to know how to make this, read on....

You will need some rectangular chipboard coasters. We have these in packs of 6 in the webstore but you only need two, so you can get three calendars from one pack!

Now cover your boards in scrapbook paper. I've gone for a more 'manly', green here and I wanted a Christmas feel, so I have chosen an olive green colour scheme. I've used pattered paper on one side of the board and then a plain piece on the reverse (as this doesn't get seen). Repeat for the other board.

Trim off any excess paper from the edges. I actually used un-rounded chipboard but the packs allow you to choose from rounded and un-rounded coasters. I simply rounded mine at the end, using corner rounders.

Next, I brushed the edges with Bundled Sage Distress but of course you can match your ink to your paper and use chalks or other inks instead if you wish.

After fixing on my photo, which has been matted onto a couple of pieces of green card, to co-ordinate with the paper, I punched a couple of holes with my Crop-a-dile. If you go for the pre-punched coasters, you will be able to feel the hole through the paper and punching it through will be easy.

I've printed my calendar (soon to be available from the Free Stuff pages) onto cream paper, stapled it together and glued it to my calendar base.

Read more: http://www.mementoesintime.com/apps/blog/show/10074419-christmas-countdown-chipboard-coaster-mini-desk-calendar#ixzz1lKHqb74x