Paper Miniatures

My Mini Sketchbook

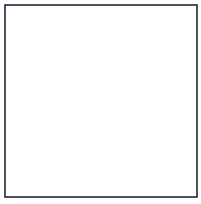
Finished folded panel: 1 x 1.5 inches. This is a single-sided accordion / concertina miniature, not a saddle-stitched or duplex comic. Each face is printed on one side; reverse faces stay blank.

1. Print on US Letter (8.5 x 11 inches), portrait, Actual size / 100%. Turn OFF Fit to page and duplex / two-sided printing. Print this instruction page first to check the calibration square below.
2. BEFORE cutting, score vertical folds between the paired tick marks above and below each strip. Leave the JOIN tab flat: its boundary is a joining edge, not a fold until the next strip is attached.
3. Cut around the solid OUTER border of each strip, keeping the panels together and keeping any gray JOIN tab. Do not cut between individual panels. Alternate mountain and valley folds so the cover is outside when closed.
4. For a multi-strip book, place strips in their numbered order. Apply a thin layer of glue to the printed JOIN tab. Slip the tab behind the next strip's first panel, aligning both panel edges exactly. Do not overlap the illustrated panels. Let the join dry before folding.
5. Open the finished book as a long readable accordion. For a sturdier cover, glue optional plain cardstock rectangles to the BLANK reverse of the first and last panels. Let dry under a flat weight.
6. Use adult supervision with scissors and scoring tools. Use a blunt scoring tool, not a knife. These are small paper craft objects, not toys for babies or toddlers.

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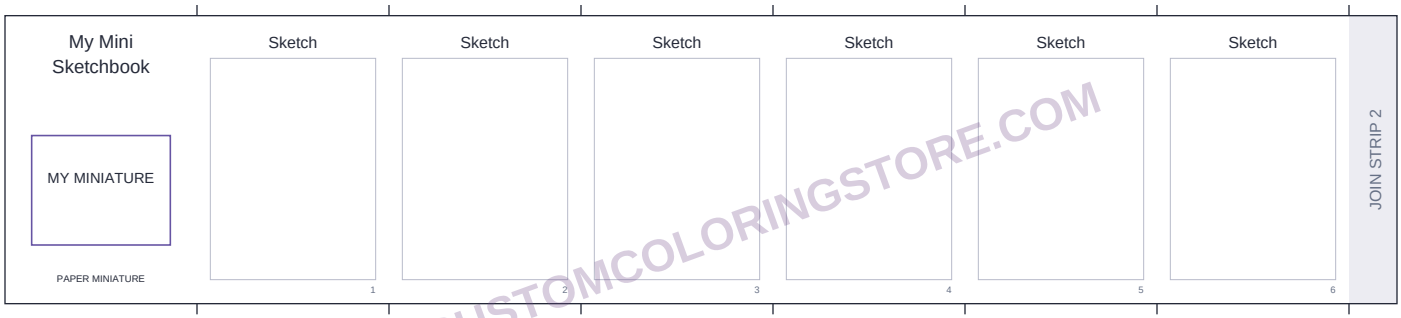


Measure this square: exactly 1 inch on all four sides. If it is not one inch, adjust the printer settings before using the templates.

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1 x 1.5 inch folded panels | Cut outer border only | Join numbered strips in order

STRIP 1 | panels 1-7



STRIP 2 | panels 8-8



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