



**Step 1:** Use 12" x 12" piece of Bright White cardstock as the base.

**Step 2:** Cut 2" x 2" squares in 4 patterns.

- 1<sup>st</sup> Pattern (shown as stripes): You will need three squares. Cut two in half diagonally.
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Pattern (shown as textured gray): You will need three squares. Cut one in half diagonally.
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Pattern (shown as black print): You will need three squares. Cut one in half diagonally.
- 4<sup>th</sup> Pattern (shown as dots): You will need five squares. Cut two in half diagonally.

**Step 3:** Start placing the squares and diagonal pieces as shown. There are ¼" apart. I have found it easier to place the edges pieces first and then keep a ruler with me to place the other pieces.

**Step 4:** Use two borders above the last row of squares. The lower border is 4 ½" from the bottom.

**Step 5:** If you are using a 4 x 6 photo, your mats will be 4¼" x 6¼" and 4½" x 6½".

**Step 6:** I have drawn dot-dash lines around the black pieces with a white gel pen. This is really an effective technique for this type of page. Finish by adding embellishments and title.