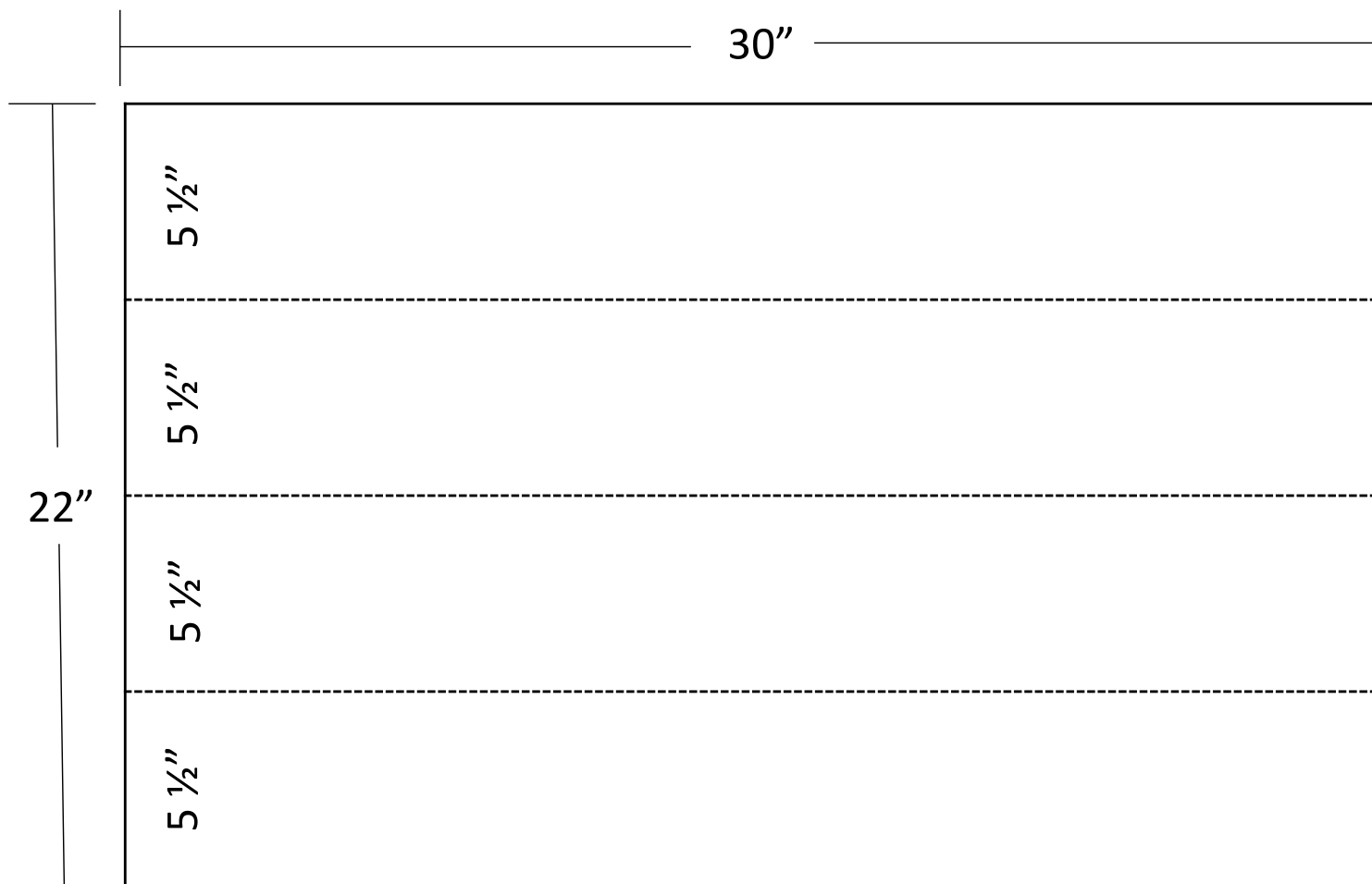


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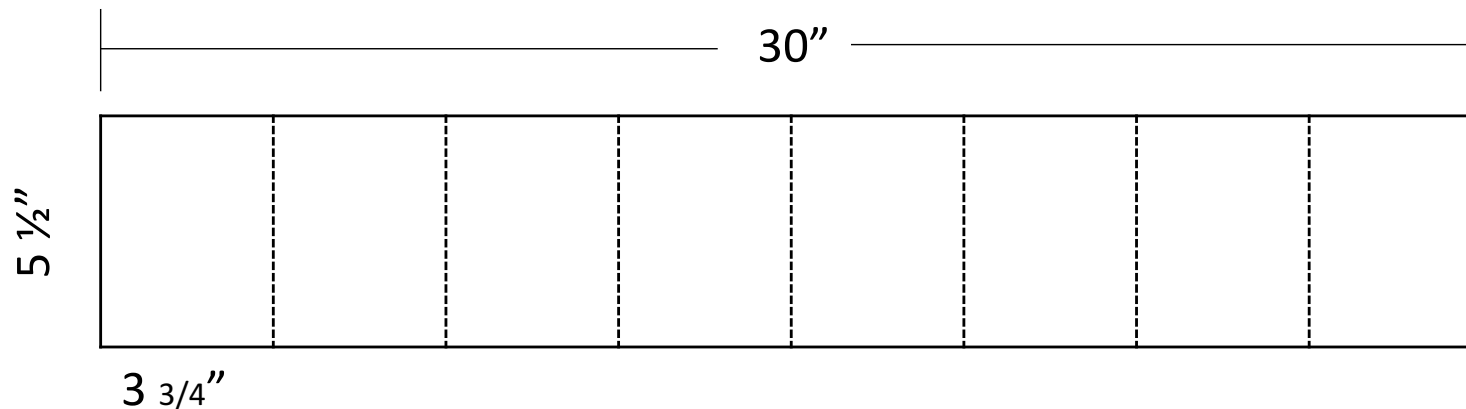
From one full sheet of watercolor paper, cut 4 strips, 5 ½" x 30."
Turn to the next page for how to fold one strip into an accordion sketchbook.





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You now have the what it takes to make four accordion sketchbooks.



For one 5 1/2 x 3 3/4" accordion sketchbook:

1. Fold 30" strip in half (2 15" panels)
2. Fold each of the two panels in half (4 7 1/2" panels)
3. Fold each of the four panels in half (8 3 3/4 panels)
4. Refold, alternating the direction for each panel.

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Make a Basic Cover for your Sketchbook

2 pieces of cardboard/matboard no more than 1/8" larger on all four sides than end panels of accordion sketchbook.

Directions:

Working on a sheet of wax paper or parchment paper, cover back side of cardboard/matboard with white glue or rubber cement.

Center and place one end panel of accordion over glued-side of cardboard. Firmly press cardboard onto sketchbook paper. Wipe away any excess glue.

Repeat for the second end panel.

Place under a weight (a stack of books, brick, etc.)

Optional Decorative Cover

2 pieces of paper* 1" larger on all four sides than cardboard

**Scrapbook paper, origami paper, old map, stamp-printed paper, anything decorative that calls your name!*

Directions:

Cover back side of cardboard/matboard with white glue or rubber cement

Place the cardboard, glue-side down in the center of the back of the decorative paper. Firmly press cardboard onto decorative paper.

Cut off the corners of the decorative paper. You should end up with 4 trapezoid-shaped flaps.

Run a line of glue along each flap.

Fold flaps in over cardboard. Press down firmly.

Continue with steps 1-4 from basic cover section.