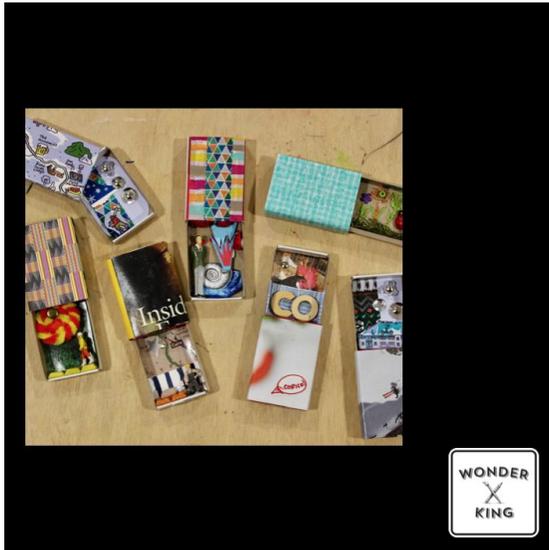


# Matchbox Dioramas



## Supplies:

- Empty matchbox(es)
- Scrapbook, paint chips, magazines for cover wrap & backgrounds
- Small ephemera to create a scene or story, ie. pipe cleaners, sequins, beads, tiny figurines, poofy stickers, small ceramic tiles, etc...
- Glue stick, dimensional foam adhesives
- Scissors, brads, washi tape

## Instructions:

1. A diorama is a recreated scene or study of a specific object, either human size or miniature size. If you want to see a really fun miniature diorama museum you simply HAVE to check out <https://miniatureworld.com> in Victoria, British Columbia. You will marvel at and enjoy HOURS of fun walking through their space! Now let's get started making one of your own miniature scenes or stories!
2. Empty the matchbox of its matches, give those to an adult for safe keeping.
3. Lay the matchbox on a page from a magazine or an interesting patterned piece of paper to create the outer wrapper, measure the outer edge of the matchbox, and cut a long thin piece that will easily wrap the matchbox.
4. Adhere with glue, trim any extra, and then set aside.
5. Now start to build the scene inside the box, which *\*should\** be related to your outer wrapping image or scene.
6. Like with the trading cards, you will want to lay out your various elements next to the matchbox to get the composition, layout and balance to your liking. Then once you are happy with your scene, go ahead and build it IN the matchbox. Use glue, or glue dots, or brads - just be sure the ENTIRE scene fits inside.
7. Once you are finished and the outside and inside are DRY, put the box together and you have your very own matchbox diorama! Now make your own little collection of matchbox scenes and create a story about them all.