"Magic" Photo Mats

Use this diagram to cut four photo mats plus have some extra borders and accent pieces all from ONE sheet of cardstock!

See the variations to cut other sizes that you can layer.

Create 4 - 4.25" x 6.25" Mats:

- Cut border strip.
- Trim remaining to a 10.5" x 10.5" square.
- Start with paper at the 4.25" mark and cut to the 6.25" mark.
- Turn counterclockwise and start with the paper at the 4.25" mark; cut to the 6.25" mark.
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Variations:

You can create other sizes of mats using the chart below and a similar technique.

- **5" x 7" Mats** = 12" x 12" Square (one scrap square)
- **4.5"** x **6.5"** Mats = 11" x 11" Square (two scrap strips and a square)
- 4.25" x 6.25" Mats = 10.5" x 10.5" Square (as shown in the diagram)

>> 2nd CUT << 10.5" x 1.5" - Scrap
Use it with Scallop Tag Punch, border or other punches

>> 1st CUT << Use Border Maker to cut a border or cut into strips This should be no wider than 1.5"