



section on using embossing powders on your photos. Then, in a little box off near the bottom of the page, is a note that says "if you're squeamish about embossing real photos, use your graphics program" to do it. Seems to me, in a book on DIGITAL techniques, using your graphics program to emboss a photo should have been the first choice, and then it should have offered you some instructions or at least ideas on how to do that as the title of the book alludes it's going to do. But it doesn't. Even the chapter on software is questionable. It recommends three scrapbook programs (Hallmark, Art Explosion, PhotoExpress), and not any of the industry standards such as PSP, PS/PSE, DIP, etc. I know that on the digital scrap boards I visit, people with those programs have tons of problems, so I really wondered how in the world they could recommend them. There are a few totally digital layouts shown, but they are the distinct minority and no "tips/techniques or advanced tricks" are offered for making truly digital layouts. The only reason I'm giving it two stars is simply because I can get ideas for digital layouts from the pictures, not because this book offered any "digital tips and techniques." I didn't get so much as a single "advanced trick for digital scrapbooking" as the subtitles claim.

Whatever a scrapbooker's skill level, this soft cover publication is the perfect guide to scrapbooking in the digital age. Topics include: Going Digital, Digital picks, improve your image, beyond the box, font of information, gear gadgets, and much more.

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